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**GAME 5-7** 

# 2019 Schedule & Results 16 **SOUTH CAROLINA\*** SECN+ 6:30 p.m. **SOUTH CAROLINA\*** 6:30 p.m. SECN+ 17

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| <u>Febru</u> | ary                      |                      | (4-0)          |
| 15           | YOUNGSTOWN STATE         | SECN+                | W, 14-3        |
| 16           | YOUNGSTOWN STATE-1       | SECN+                | W, 14-2        |
|              | YOUNGSTOWN STATE-2       | SECN+                | W, 8-0         |
| 20           | UAB                      | SECN+                | W, 3-2         |
| 22           | #21 SOUTHERN MISS        | SECN+                | 4 p.m.         |
| 23           | #21 SOUTHERN MISS        | SECN+                | 2 p.m.         |
| 24           | #21 SOUTHERN MISS        | SECN+                | 1 p.m.         |
| 26           | JACKSON STATE            | SECN+                | 4 p.m.         |
| 27           | SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA   | SECN+                | 5:30 p.m.      |
| March        | 1                        |                      |                |
| Frisco       | Classic (Frisco, Texas)  |                      |                |
| 1            | vs. Sam Houston State    | FloLive.tv           | 3 p.m.         |
| 2            | vs. Texas Tech           | FloLive.tv           | 6 p.m.         |
| 3            | vs. Nebraska             | FloLive.tv           | 11 a.m.        |
| 5            | EAST CAROLINA            | SECN+                | 6:30 p.m.      |
| 6            | ARKANSAS-PINE BLUFF      | SECN+                | 6:30 p.m.      |
| 8            | MAINE                    | SECN+                | 6:30 p.m.      |
| 9            | MAINE                    | SECN+                | 3 p.m.         |
| 10           | MAINE                    | SECN+                | Noon           |
| 13           | GRAMBLING                | SECN+                | 6:30 p.m.      |
| 15<br>15     | at Florida *             | SECN+                | 5:30 p.m.      |
| 16           | at Florida *             | SEC Network          |                |
|              |                          |                      | 1 p.m.         |
| 17           | at Florida *             | SEC Network          | 1 p.m.         |
| 19           | LITTLE ROCK              | SECN+                | 6:30 p.m.      |
| 20           | at Samford               | ESPN3/ESPN+          | 6 p.m.         |
| 22           | AUBURN *                 | SECN+                | 6:30 p.m.      |
| 23           | AUBURN *                 | SECN+                | 2 p.m.         |
| 24           | AUBURN *                 | SECN+                | 1 p.m.         |
| 26           | MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE | SECN+                | 6:30 p.m.      |
| 28           | LSU *                    | ESPNU                | 6 p.m.         |
| 29           | LSU *                    | SEC NETWORK          | 6 p.m.         |
| 30           | LSU *                    | SECN+                | 2 p.m.         |
| April        |                          |                      |                |
| 3            | ULM                      | SECN+                | 6:30 p.m.      |
| 5            | at Tennessee *           | SECN+                | 5:30 p.m.      |
| 6            | at Tennessee *           | SECN+                | 5 p.m.         |
| 7            | at Tennessee *           | SECN+                | 1 p.m.         |
| 10           | SOUTH ALABAMA            | SECN+                | 6:30 p.m.      |
| 12           | ALABAMA*                 | SECN+                | 6:30 p.m.      |
| 13           | ALABAMA*                 | SECN+                | 3 p.m.         |
| 14           | ALABAMA *                | SEC NETWORK          | 3 p.m.         |
| 16           | TEXAS SOUTHERN           | SECN+                | 6:30 p.m.      |
| 18           | at Arkansas *            | ESPNU                | 8 p.m.         |
| 19           | at Arkansas *            | SECN+                | 6:30 p.m.      |
| 20           | at Arkansas *            | SECN+                |                |
|              | nor's Cup (Pearl, Miss.) | SECIN+               | 2 p.m.         |
| 23           | vs. Ole Miss             |                      | 6 p.m.         |
|              |                          | SECN+                |                |
| 26           | GEORGIA *<br>GEORGIA *   |                      | 6:30 p.m.      |
| 27<br>28     | GEORGIA *                | SEC NETWORK<br>SECN+ | Noon<br>1 p.m. |
|              | GLUNGIA                  | JECHT                | ı p.iii.       |
| May          | at Toyas A 9.M *         | SEC Network          | 6 n m          |
| 2            | at Texas A&M *           |                      | 6 p.m.         |
| 3            | at Texas A&M *           | SECN+                | 6:35 p.m.      |
| 4            | at Texas A&M *           | SEC Network          | 2 p.m.         |
| 8            | MEMPHIS                  | SECN+                | 6:30 p.m.      |
| 10           | at Ole Miss *            | SECN+                | 6:30 p.m.      |
| 11           | at Ole Miss *            | SECN+                | 4 p.m.         |
| 12           | at Ole Miss *            | ESPN2                | Noon           |
| 16           | SOUTH CAROLINA *         | SECN+                | 6.30 n m       |

| Mississippi State  |                    |  |  |  |  |
|--|--------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Record: 4-<br>H/A/N: 4-0//-<br>Rankings: Baseball America - 9, CBN - 2<br>D1Baseball - 14, NCBWA - 1<br>Perfect Game - 17, USA Today - 1 |                    |  |  |  |  |
| Head Coach<br>Record at M<br>Career Reco   | SU (Yrs.):         | Chris Lemonis<br>4-0 (1st)<br>145-91-2 (5th) |  |  |  |
| Batting Ave<br>Runs Per-Ga<br>Hits Per-Gar<br>Slugging Pe  | nme:<br>me:        | .300<br>9.7<br>10.5<br>.507                  |  |  |  |
| ERA:<br>K's/BB Ratio<br>Batting Ave  | :<br>rage Against: | 1.75<br>5.3/1<br>.185                        |  |  |  |

| First Year of Basebal | <b>l:</b> 1885 (129th season) |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Program Record:       | 2,644-1,561-29 (.627)         |

| Southern Miss  |           |   |  |  |  |
|--|-----------|---|--|--|--|
| Record:<br>H/A/N:<br>Rankings:   | D1Baseb   | 3-0//<br>3-0//<br>merica - 21, CBN - 29<br>all - NR, NCBWA - 26<br>- NR, USA Today - NR |  |  |  |
| Head Coach<br>Record at US<br>Career Reco                                    | M (Yrs.): | Scott Berry<br>346-191-1 (10th)<br>Same   |  |  |  |
| Batting Average:<br>Runs Per-Game:<br>Hits Per-Game:<br>Slugging Percentage: |           | .333<br>9.0<br>11.3<br>.480   |  |  |  |
| ERA:<br>K's/BB Ratio   | ):        | 2.89<br>2.0/1   |  |  |  |

| The Rotation                  |               |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Friday, Feb. 22, 2019         |               |
| MSU: Ethan Small, LHP, R-Jr.  | 0-0, 3.60 ERA |
| USM: Walker Powell, RHP, Jr.  | 0-0, 2.25 ERA |
| Saturday, Feb. 23, 2019       |               |
| MSU: JT Ginn, RHP, Fr.        | 1-0, 3.60 ERA |
| USM: Stevie Powers, LHP, Sr.  | 1-0, 1.50 ERA |
| Sunday, Feb. 24, 2019         |               |
| MSU: Keegan James, RHP, R-Jr. | 1-0, 0.00 ERA |
| USM: TRA                      |               |

# **Gameday Information**

#### **Southern Miss at Mississippi State**

**Batting Average Against:** 

Dudy Noble Field (Starkville, Miss.)

.254

|                  | Friday             | Saturday           | Sunday             |
|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| First Pitch:     | 4 p.m.             | 2 p.m.             | Noon               |
| TV:              |                    | <u></u>            |                    |
| Internet Stream: | SEC Network+       | SEC Network+       | SEC Network+       |
| Radio:           | MSU Radio Network  | MSU Radio Network  | MSU Radio Network  |
|                  | (100.9 FM locally) | (100.9 FM locally) | (100.9 FM locally) |
| Audio Stream:    | HailState.com/plus | HailState.com/plus | HailState.com/plus |

## The First Pitch

#### What's Inside

- Senior Jake Mangum is chasing a couple of high-profile records entering the 2018 season, including the Mississippi State and Southeastern Conference all-time hit records. MORE ON PAGE 4 &9
- Sophomore Tanner Allen opened the season with a monster weekend and earned two national player of the week awards. He drove in 13 RBIs and owned a .538 on-base percentage in three games last week. MORE ON PAGE 4 & 6
- Graduate Cole Gordon owns an 18 2/3-inning scoreless streak after a two scoreless innings versus UAB on Feb. 20. Gordon's streak began in the 2018 NCAA Tallahassee Regional and remains intact entering the second weekend of play. MORE ON PAGE 4
- Mississippi State and Southern Miss will meet for the 125th time in program history on Friday, with State owning an 82-42 edge in the series, with the two teams splitting the last 10 meetings. **MORE ON PAGE 5**
- Head coach **Chris Lemonis** has won his first four games as Mississippi State skipper. Lemonis is one of nine MSU head coaches to win his first career game and one of three to start 4-0 or better. BIO ON PAGE 3, MORE ON PAGE 7
- The new Dudy Noble Field opens its gates for the 2019 campaign, with the newly constructed stadium featuring a multitude of upgrades and fan-friendly amenities. BIO ON PAGE 7

| Starting Nine |                 |     |     |          |      |   |   |     |  |
|---------------|-----------------|-----|-----|----------|------|---|---|-----|--|
| Pos.          | Name            | Yr. | B/T | Ht./Wt.  | Avg. | R | Н | RBI | Notes  |
| C             | Hayden Jones    | Fr. | L/R | 6-0/185  | .200 | 1 | 1 | 1   | First collegiate hit was a HR vs. Youngstown State (2/16)        |
| -or-          | Dustin Skelton  | Jr. | R/R | 6-0/202  | .273 | 4 | 3 | 2   | Drove in the first run of the game versus UAB (2/20)             |
| 1B            | Tanner Allen    | So. | L/R | 5-11/184 | .438 | 5 | 7 | 13  | National POTW by Perfect Game after 13 RBI opening weekend       |
| 2B            | Gunner Halter   | Jr. | R/R | 6-3/180  | .267 | 3 | 4 | 2   | Drove in two RBIs with his first career hit in the season opener |
| SS            | Jordan Westburg | So. | R/R | 6-3/191  | .417 | 7 | 5 | 3   | Leads the team with a .632 on-base percentage                    |
| 3B            | Justin Foscue   | So. | R/R | 6-0/201  | .267 | 3 | 4 | 3   | Hit is first career Dudy Noble Field home run vs. YSU (2/16)     |
| LF            | Rowdey Jordan   | So. | S/R | 5-10/171 | .200 | 6 | 3 | 2   | Reached base six times and scored each time vs. YSU (2/15-16)    |
| CF            | Jake Mangum     | Sr. | S/L | 6-1/179  | .278 | 5 | 5 | 4   | Owns 280 career hits to rank No. 6 all-time at MSU               |
| RF            | Elijah MacNamee | Sr. | R/R | 6-3/198  | .333 | 3 | 5 | 6   | Homered in the season opener vs. Youngstown State (2/15)         |
| DH            | Landon Jordan   | Fr. | L/R | 6-0/180  | .250 | 2 | 3 |     | Posted his first collegiate hit vs. Youngstown State (2/15)      |

Rankings from Baseball America All times central and subject to change **HOME GAMES IN BOLD CAPS** 

**SOUTH CAROLINA\*** 

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1 p.m.

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# 2019 Roster

| N  | Numerical         |        |     |      |     |       |  |  |
|----|-------------------|--------|-----|------|-----|-------|--|--|
| #  | Name              | Pos.   | B/T | Ht.  | Wt. | Yr.   | Hometown/High School (Previous School)                           |  |
| 2  | Gunner Halter     | IF     | R/R | 6-3  | 180 | Jr.   | Overland Park, Kan./Blue Valley (Seminole State (Okla.) College) |  |
| 3  | JT Ginn           | RHP/IF | R/R | 6-2  | 192 | Fr.   | Brandon, Miss./Brandon   |  |
| 4  | Rowdey Jordan     | IF/0F  | S/R | 5-10 | 171 | So.   | Auburn, Ala./Auburn  |  |
| 5  | Tanner Allen      | IF/0F  | L/R | 5-11 | 184 | So.   | Theodore, Ala./UMS- Wright Prep                                  |  |
| 6  | Brandon Smith     | RHP/IF | R/R | 6-3  | 180 | Fr.   | Richland, Miss./Richland   |  |
| 8  | Dustin Skelton    | C      | R/R | 6-0  | 202 | Jr.   | Olive Branch, Miss./Magnolia Heights School                      |  |
| 10 | Josh Hatcher      | IF/0F  | L/L | 6-2  | 175 | So.   | Albany, Ga./Lee County   |  |
| 11 | Jordan Westburg   | IF     | R/R | 6-3  | 191 | So.   | New Braunfels, Texas/New Braunfels                               |  |
| 12 | Hayden Jones      | C      | L/R | 6-0  | 185 | Fr.   | Huntertown, Ind./Carroll   |  |
| 13 | Peyton Plumlee    | RHP    | R/R | 6-3  | 201 | Sr.   | Olive Branch, Miss./Lewisburg (Northwest Mississippi C.C.)       |  |
| 14 | Riley Self        | RHP    | R/R | 6-4  | 241 | Jr.   | Coldwater, Miss./Magnolia Heights School                         |  |
| 15 | Jake Mangum       | 0F     | S/L | 6-1  | 179 | Sr.   | Pearl, Miss./Jackson Prep  |  |
| 16 | Jack Eagan        | LHP    | L/L | 6-3  | 235 | R-Jr. | Wautoma, Wis./Wautoma (Madison C.C.)                             |  |
| 17 | Justin Foscue     | IF     | R/R | 6-0  | 201 | So.   | Huntsville, Ala./Virgil Grissom                                  |  |
| 18 | Keegan James      | RHP    | R/R | 6-2  | 214 | R-Jr. | Southaven, Miss./DeSoto Central                                  |  |
| 19 | Jared Liebelt     | RHP    | R/R | 6-0  | 169 | Sr.   | Aurora, III./ West Aurora (Waubonsee C.C.)                       |  |
| 20 | Luke Hancock      | C      | L/R | 5-11 | 170 | Fr.   | Houston, Miss./Houston   |  |
| 23 | Tucker Childers   | C/IF   | L/R | 6-3  | 235 | Jr.   | Ripley, Miss./Ripley (Northeast Mississippi C.C.)                |  |
| 24 | Cole Gordon       | RHP/DH | L/R | 6-5  | 244 | Gr.   | Tampa, Fla./Steinbrenner   |  |
| 27 | Bryce Brock       | LHP/OF | L/L | 6-0  | 165 | Fr.   | Hernando, Miss./Lewisburg  |  |
| 28 | Christian MacLeod | LHP    | L/L | 6-3  | 215 | Fr.   | Huntsville, Ala./Huntsville                                      |  |
| 31 | Benjamin Bell     | 0F     | L/R | 5-9  | 180 | Fr.   | Madison, Miss./Germantown  |  |
| 32 | Landon Jordan     | IF     | L/R | 6-0  | 180 | Fr.   | Poplarville, Miss./Hancock                                       |  |
| 33 | Brad Cumbest      | 0F     | R/R | 6-5  | 245 | Fr.   | Hurley, Miss./East Central                                       |  |
| 34 | Marshall Gilbert  | C      | R/R | 6-0  | 203 | Sr.   | Kenosha, Wis./Westosha Central (John A. Logan C.C.)              |  |
| 35 | Basiel Williams   | 0F     | S/R | 6-3  | 180 | Fr.   | Hammond, La./Ponchatoula   |  |
| 36 | Hunter Blalock    | 0F     | R/R | 6-5  | 195 | Fr.   | Madison, Miss./Madison Central                                   |  |
| 37 | Eric Cerantola    | RHP    | R/R | 6-5  | 195 | Fr.   | Oakville, Ontario/Ecole Secondaire Catholique Sainte-Trinite     |  |
| 38 | JP Elkins         | RHP    | R/R | 6-1  | 190 | So.   | Ridgeland, Miss./Ridgeland (Hinds C.C.)                          |  |
| 39 | Tyler Spring      | RHP    | R/R | 6-4  | 202 | R-Jr. | Wiggins, Miss./Stone (Jones County C.C.)                         |  |
| 40 | Elijah MacNamee   | 0F     | R/R | 6-3  | 198 | Sr.   | Cypress, Texas/Cypress Ranch (Blinn C.C.)                        |  |
| 41 | Colby White       | RHP    | R/R | 6-0  | 190 | Jr.   | Foxworth, Miss./West Marion (Pearl River C.C.)                   |  |
| 43 | Kale Breaux       | LHP    | R/L | 5-11 | 193 | R-Jr. | Sulphur, La./Sulphur   |  |
| 44 | Ethan Small       | LHP    | L/L | 6-3  | 214 | R-Jr. | Lexington, Tenn./Lexington                                       |  |
| 46 | Trysten Barlow    | LHP    | L/L | 6-1  | 215 | R-Jr. | Halls, Tenn./Dyer County   |  |
| 55 | Spencer Price     | RHP    | R/R | 6-2  | 228 | R-Jr. | Olive Branch, Miss./DeSoto Central (Meridian C.C.)               |  |

- 22 Chris Lemonis Head Coach (First Season at Mississippi State, Fifth Overall; The Citadel, 1992)
- 21 Jake Gautreau Assistant Coach (Second Season; Tulane, 2011)
- 42 Scott Foxhall Assistant Coach (First Season; College of Charleston, 2004)
- 0 Kyle Cheesebrough Volunteer Assistant Coach (First Season; Louisville, 2010)

Roger Rodeheaver - Coordinator of Operations (First Season; Indiana, 2010)

Tyler Younger - Coordinator of Player Development (First Season; Methodist College, 2013)

Seth Diters - Strength and Conditioning Coach (First Season; Springfield College, 2008)

Jason Wire - Associate Athletic Trainer (Ninth Season; St. Cloud State, 2006)

# **Program Quick Facts**

| School Information        |                                 |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Location                  | Starkville, Mississippi         |
| Founded                   | 1878                            |
| Enrollment                | 22,201                          |
| President                 | Dr. Mark E. Keenum              |
| Faculty Representative    | Dr. Steven Turner               |
| Director of Athletics     | John Cohen                      |
| Twitter                   | @JohnCohenAD                    |
| Affiliation               | NCAA Division I                 |
| Conference                | Southeastern - Western Division |
| Nickname                  | Bulldogs                        |
| Colors                    | Maroon and White                |
| Athletic Department Phone | (662) 325-2532                  |
| Ticket Office Phone       | (662) 325-2600                  |

| Stadium          |   |
|------------------|---|
| Name             | Dudy Noble Field, Polk-DeMent Stadium   |
| Capacity         | 15,000+                                 |
| Field Dimensions | Left-330, Left Center-385,              |
|                  | Center-400, Right Center-380, Right-305 |
| Press Box Phone  | (662) 325-3776                          |

# 2018 Team Information

| Overall Record (SEC; Finish)          | 39-29 (15-15; T3rd in West)   |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Home/Away/Neutral                     | 16-7/10-17/13-5               |
| Postseason                            | College World Series          |
| Lettermen Returning/Lost              | 18/11                         |
| Position Starters Returning/Lost (120 | + ABs) 8/2                    |
| Pitchers Returning/Lost (Min. 5 app.) | 5/7                           |
| Newcomers                             | 17 (11 Freshmen, 6 Transfers) |

#### **Program Information**

| First Year of Baseball   | 1885 (129th season)                       |
|--|---|
| First Year in SEC  | 1933 (Charter Member)                     |
| All-Time Record (Win %)  | 2,644-1,561-29 (.627)                     |
| All-Time SEC Record (Win %) SEC Championships (Last) SEC Tournament Championships (Last) | 938-812-3 (.536)<br>11 (2016)<br>7 (2012) |
| NCAA Tournaments (Last)  | 37 (2018)                                 |
| NCAA Super Regionals (Last)  | 8 (2018)                                  |
| College World Series (Last)  | 10 (2018)                                 |

|    | Alphabetical      |        |          |      |     |       |
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| 27 | Bryce Brock       | LHP/OF | L/L      | 6-0  | 165 | Fr.   |
| 0  | Kyle Cheesebrough | Assi   | stant Co | ach  |     |       |
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| 4  | Rowdey Jordan     | IF/OF  | S/R      | 5-10 | 171 | So.   |
| 32 | Landon Jordan     | IF     | L/R      | 6-0  | 180 | Fr.   |
| 22 | Chris Lemonis     | He     | ead Coad | :h   |     |       |
| 19 | Jared Liebelt     | RHP    | R/R      | 6-0  | 169 | Sr.   |
| 28 | Christian MacLeod | LHP    | L/L      | 6-3  | 215 | Fr.   |
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| 15 | Jake Mangum       | 0F     | S/L      | 6-1  | 179 | Sr.   |
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## Pro-nun-ci-a-tion Guide

| Trysten Barlow         | TRIS-ten               |
|------------------------|------------------------|
| Hunter Blalock         | BLAY-lock              |
| Kale <b>Breaux</b>     | BRO                    |
| Eric <b>Cerantola</b>  | Sare-an-TOE-la         |
| Jack <b>Eagan</b>      | E-ginn (hard G)        |
| Justin Foscue          | Foss-Q                 |
| Rowdey Jordan          | Rouw-D                 |
| Jared <b>Liebelt</b>   | LEE-belt               |
| Christian MacLeod      | Mc-CLOUD               |
| Elijah MacNamee        | Mac-NUH-me             |
| <b>Basiel</b> Williams | Basil (like the spice) |





When Chris Lemonis stepped to the podium on June 25, 2018 at Dudy Noble Field to become the 18th head baseball coach in Mississippi State's storied history, a journey of nearly 40 years came full circle. The son of a 1973 State graduate, Lemonis resided in Starkville as a child and now returned to lead one of the perennial powerhouses in college baseball.

One of the top recruiters and player development coaches in the country, Lemonis has seen success at every coaching stop. After helping his alma mater, The Citadel, to five NCAA Regional appearances in 12 seasons as an assistant coach, Lemonis joined college teammate Dan McDonnell's staff at Louisville and quickly turned the Cardinals into a consistent Omaha contender. After helping Louisville to seven postseason berths in eight years, the 2013 American Baseball Coaches Association/Baseball America Assistant Coach of the Year headed to Indiana University to take his first head coaching job in 2015.

In his first season at the helm of Indiana, the Hoosiers found themselves in the NCAA Tournament and, after finishing third in the Big Ten standings during his second season, Lemonis became the first coach in program history to take IU to back-to-back NCAA Tournaments in years three and four. The 2018 Hoosiers took the No. 2 seed into the NCAA Austin Regional, falling in the regional final to eventual College World Series participant Texas. Three of IU's eight appearances in the NCAA Tournament came under Lemonis' watch.

Overall, Lemonis enters his 25th season as a collegiate coach in 2019, making three College World Series appearances as a coach, earning 15 NCAA tournament berths and aiding in three 50-win seasons. His pupils have earned 25 All-America honors, 12 Freshman All-America laurels and 65 have signed professional baseball contracts, with 14 getting the call up to Major League Baseball.

Owning a head coaching record of 141-91-2, Lemonis was also a part of nearly 800 wins as an assistant coach. During his time at Indiana, Lemonis' teams averaged 35.3 wins per season, including a 40-win campaign during his final season in Bloomington. He averaged 39.2 victories per year during his career in an assistant role, bolstered by a 44.9 wins-per-season average at Louisville. The Cardinals were college baseball's winningest program during that eight-year span.

Lemonis' 15 postseason appearances have spanned all three of his coaching stops, with five coming as an assistant at The Citadel, seven during his assistant coaching tenure at Louisville and three as the head coach at Indiana. The Cardinals advanced to the Super Regionals on four occasions, punching a ticket to Omaha three times.

Along with his success on the field, Lemonis has always held academics to the highest standard, as well. In his final season at Indiana, a program-record 16 baseball student-athletes were named to the Big Ten Spring Academic Honor Roll, while 26 Cardinal baseball student-athletes earned ACC Honor Roll selections during his final season in Louisville. Already at Mississippi State, Lemonis has shown his dedication to his student-athletes in the classroom, as the program posted a 3.04 GPA during the fall semester.

Lemonis not only understands what it takes to get to Omaha as a coach but also as a player. A 1992 graduate of The Citadel, Lemonis added a 1990 appearance in the College World Series as a student-athlete. The appearance makes the Bulldogs one of just three school in Southern Conference history (Duke, Wake Forest) and only current member of the conference to advance to Omaha.

A two-time All-Southern Conference honoree, Lemonis led The Citadel in home runs three times. During his senior season, Lemonis led the Bulldogs with a .367 average, 19 doubles, 52 runs, 10 home runs and 66 RBIs. A member of the 1993 All-Southern Conference Tournament team, Lemonis ranks among the top 15 all-time at The Citadel in RBIs (152), home runs (23) and slugging percentage (.538).

Lemonis' father, Thomas, was a 1973 Mississippi State graduate in electrical engineering, with Chris living in Starkville as a newborn during his father's time at State.

A native of Myrtle Beach, S.C., Lemonis and his wife, Jill, have two daughters, Marissa and Mackenzie.

| Person            | al                |          |                                    |
|-------------------|-------------------|----------|------------------------------------|
| Hometo            | own:              |          | Myrtle Beach, S.C.<br>Jill Lemonis |
| Wile:<br>Childrei | n•                |          | Marissa & Mackenzie Lemonis        |
| College           |                   |          | The Citadel, 1992                  |
| Coachi            | ng Career         |          |                                    |
| 2019-             |                   |          | Mississippi State Head Coach       |
| 2015-18           |                   |          | Indiana Head Coach                 |
| 2007-14           |                   |          | Louisville Assistant Coach         |
| 2003-06           |                   |          | The Citadel Associate Head Coach   |
| 1995-20           | 02                |          | The Citadel Assistant Coach        |
| Lemon             | is Year-by-Year   |          |                                    |
|                   | nd Coach          |          |                                    |
| Yr.               | School            | Record   | Postseason                         |
| 2019              | Mississippi State | 4-0      |                                    |
| 2018              | Indiana           | 40-19    | NCAA Regiona                       |
| 2017              | Indiana           | 34-24-2  | NCAA Regiona                       |
| 2016              | Indiana           | 32-24    |                                    |
| 2015              | Indiana           | 35-24    | NCAA Regiona                       |
| Totals            | Four Seasons      | 145-91-2 | 3 NCAA Regionals                   |
|                   | sistant Coach     |          |                                    |
| 2014              | Louisville        | 50-17    | College World Series               |
| 2013              | Louisville        | 51-14    | College World Series               |
| 2012              | Louisville        | 41-22    | NCAA Regional                      |
| 2011              | Louisville        | 32-29    |                                    |
| 2010              | Louisville        | 50-14    | NCAA Regiona                       |
| 2009              | Louisville        | 47-18    | NCAA Super Regiona                 |
| 2008              | Louisville        | 41-21    | NCAA Regional                      |
| 2007              | Louisville        | 47-24    | College World Series               |
| 2006              | The Citadel       | 34-27    |                                    |
| 2005              | The Citadel       | 25-34    | NCAA C :                           |
| 2004              | The Citadel       | 39-28    | NCAA Regiona                       |
| 2003              | The Citadel       | 32-25    |                                    |
| 2002              | The Citadel       | 31-26    | NCAAC :                            |
| 2001              | The Citadel       | 38-24    | NCAA Regiona                       |
| 2000              | The Citadel       | 39-20    | NCAA D :                           |
| 1999              | The Citadel       | 41-20    | NCAA Regiona                       |
| 1998              | The Citadel       | 37-24    | NCAA Regiona                       |
| 1997              | The Citadel       | 37-21    |                                    |
| 1996              | The Citadel       | 33-26    | NCAA C                             |
| 1995              | The Citadel       | 39-21    | NCAA Regiona                       |
| Totals            | 20 Seasons        | 784-455  | 15 NCAA Regionals                  |
|                   |                   |          | Four NCAA Super Regionals          |
|                   |                   |          | Three College World Series         |





# Mississippi State When...

|   | 2010                 | 2010               |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|
| Overall   | <b>2018</b><br>39-29 | <b>2019</b><br>4-0 |
| vs. Top-5 Teams   | 10-1                 |                    |
| vs. Top-10 Teams<br>vs. Top-25 Teams                              | 10-1<br>18-18        |                    |
| Non-Conference  | 24-14                | 4-0                |
| SEC<br>SEC East   | 15-15<br><i>5-7</i>  |                    |
| SEC West  | 3-7<br>10-8          |                    |
| At Home   | 16-7                 | 4-0                |
| On the Road   | 10-17                |                    |
| At Neutral Sites  | 13-5                 | 4.0                |
| In Day Games<br>In Night Games                                    | 18-15<br>21-14       | 4-0<br>            |
| vs. Teams .500 Or Better  | 31-24                | 1-0                |
| s. Teams Worse Than .500  | 8-5                  | 3-0                |
| vs. Left-Handed Starter   | 15-6                 | 1-0                |
| vs. Right-Handed Starter  | 24-23                | 3-0<br>2-0         |
| When Starter Receives Decision<br>When Reliever Receives Decision | 21-15<br>18-14       | 2-0<br>2-0         |
| When Starter Goes 5+ Innings                                      | 25-12                | 3-0                |
| When Starter Goes <5 Innings                                      | 14-17                | 1-0                |
| When Scoring First  | 23-8                 | 1-0                |
| When Opponent Scores First  | 16-21<br>25-5        | 3-0<br>2-0         |
| When Leading After 6 Innings<br>When Trailing After 6 Innings     | 25-5<br>7-22         | 2-0<br>1-0         |
| When Tied After 6 Innings   | 7-2                  | 1-0                |
| When Leading After 8 Innings                                      | 32-3                 | 4-0                |
| When Trailing After 8 Innings<br>When Tied After 8 Innings        | 2-25<br>5-1          |                    |
| In One-Run Games  | 7-6                  | 1-0                |
| n Two-Run Games   | 10-1                 |                    |
| In 5+ Run Games   | 17-9                 | 3-0                |
| Series W-L-T<br>Series Sweeps/Times Swept                         | 6-7<br>3/2           | 1-0-0<br>1/0       |
| When Scoring 0-2 Runs   | 1-14                 |                    |
| When Scoring 3-5 Runs   | 10-13                | 1-0                |
| When Scoring 6-9 Runs<br>When Scoring 10+ Runs                    | 13-1<br>15-1         | 1-0<br>2-0         |
| Shutouts/Times Shut Out   | 3/3                  | 1/0                |
| In Extra Innings  | 6-3                  |                    |
| When Opponent Scores 4 Runs Or Less                               | 25-8                 | 4-0                |
| When Opponent Scores 5 Runs Or More                               | 14-21                |                    |
| When Out-Hitting Opponent<br>When Out-Hit by Opponent             | 28-8<br>7-20         | 3-0<br>1-0         |
| When Hits Are Equal   | 4-1                  |                    |
| When Hitting A Home Run   | 24-9                 | 3-0                |
| When Opponent Hits A Home Run                                     | 21-13                | 2-0                |
| When Errorless  | 15-12                | 2-0<br>2-0         |
| When Committing One Error<br>When Committing 2+ Errors            | 14-7<br>10-10        | 2-0                |
| When Opponent is Errorless  | 9-14                 |                    |
| When Opponent Commits One Error                                   | 17-11                | 1-0                |
| When Opponent Commits 2+ Errors                                   | 13-4                 | 3-0                |
| Game 1 of Weekend Series<br>Game 2 of Weekend Series              | 7-8<br>9-6           | 1-0<br>1-0         |
| Game 3 of Weekend Series  | 8-7                  | 1-0                |
| Monday  | 1-0                  |                    |
| Tuesday<br>Wednesday  | 4-2<br>6-3           | <br>1-0            |
| Thursday  | 1-1                  |                    |
| Friday  | 8-9                  | 1-0                |
| Saturday<br>Sunday  | 10-8<br>9-6          | 2-0                |
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## **News and Notes**

#### **Ks For Days**

- The first five outs recorded by Mississippi State in 2019 came via the strikeout and Bulldog pitchers amassed 43 Ks during the opening weekend of the season.
- The strikeout total is the highest three-game series total since at least 2005.
- Redshirt-junior Ethan Small started the season opener and struck out 11 in five innings, while starters freshman JT Ginn
   (7) and redshirt-junior Keegan James (6) combined to fan 13 batters in 10 innings of the Saturday doubleheader.
- The bullpen struck out 19 batters in 12 innings of work, with nine of 10 relievers fanning at least one batter.
- Redshirt-junior Jack Eagan led the bullpen with four strikeouts in two innings of work during the opening weekend.

#### **Mangum Eyes SEC Hits Record**

- Senior Jake Mangum is just 72 hits shy of tying the SEC career hits record, which currently belongs to LSU's Eddy Furniss (352; 1995-98).
- His career total sits at 280 hits, which puts him No. 6 all-time at Mississippi State, trailing Burke Masters (295; 1987-90) for the No. 5 spot. MORE ON PAGE 9
- The SEC career hits record will be closely watched by both MSU and LSU fans all season, as Tiger's senior Antoine Duplantis has 273 career hits.
- Mangum is just 55 hits away from tying State's career hits record, currently held by *Jeffrey Rea* (335; 2004-07), which is No. 3 all-time in SEC history.

#### Mangum Goes for 100

- Senior Jake Mangum became the fourth Diamond Dawg in program history to collect 100 hits in a season during the 2018 campaign.
- "The Mayor" posted 101 hits, the fourth-most in a singleseason in MSU history.
- His 100-hit season was the first since Adam Frazier did it during the 2013 campaign, logging a school-record 107 hits.
- The compete list of Bulldogs with 100-plus hits in a season is below;

Adam Frazier (107; 2013) Brian Wiese (103; 1998) Tommy Raffo (102; 1989) Jake Mangum (101; 2018) Richard Lee (100; 1997)

#### **Small Sits Em Down**

- Redshirt-junior Ethan Small became just the 18th Mississippi State pitcher to record at least 100 strikeouts in one season during the 2018 campaign and is off to a quick start in 2019.
- Small opened the 2019 campaign with a career-high 11 strikeouts versus Youngstown State, including the first five batters he faced.
- Overall, Small has 153 career punch outs in 34 appearances.
- After missing the 2017 season due to injury, Small sat down 122 batters via strikeout, the seventh-highest total in State history.
- Only five Bulldogs have ever posted multiple 100-plus strikeout seasons in program history; Jeff Brantley (1984, 85), Eric DuBose (1995, 96, 97), Matt Ginter (1998, 99), Konnor Pilkington (2017, 18) and B.J. Wallace (1991, 92).

#### A Trusty 'Pen

- Everyone needs a trust pen. Be it for note taking, making a grocery list or, as a head baseball coach, somewhere you know you can go to get big outs late in games.
- Through four games, the Mississippi State bullpen has been just that for head coach Chris Lemonis and pitching coach Scott Foxhall.
- The 'pen factored into three decisions and racked up 16 1/3 innings to help the Dawgs to a 4-0 start.
- Ten different relievers have combined to allow just one run on eight hits. The group owns 26 strikeouts and just seven walks.
- Graduate student Cole Gordon is 1-0 with one save in two appearances. He owns six strikeouts in three scoreless innings of work
- Junior Riley Self and freshman Brandon Smith have each made two appearances, with Self owning a 1-0 mark.

#### Allen Opens Season with National POTW Honors

- Tanner Allen had a monster opening weekend for the Diamond Dawgs, hitting .538 with five extra base hits and 13 RBIs versus Youngstown State.
- For his efforts, Allen earned Perfect Game National Hitter of the Week and was named to the Collegiate Baseball Newspaper National Player of the Week Honor Roll. MORE ON PAGE 6
- Allen posted single-game career highs for RBIs (6) and runs scored (3), while equaling his career-best mark for hits (3).
- He posted three-straight multi-RBI and multi-hit games to start the season and added an extra base hit in each contest to help State open the new Dudy Noble Field with a three-game sweep of Youngstown State.
- Allen opened the season by tying the game and plating the eventual game winning run versus the Penguins, hitting a sixth-inning two-run home run to knot the score at 3-3 and following that with an eighth-inning RBI single that sparked an 11-run frame to help the Bulldogs christen the new Dudy Noble Field with a win.
- In all, Allen was 7-for-13 at the plate (.583), scored five runs, drove in 13 RBIs and walked once. Of his seven hits, five went for extra bases, including the two home runs, to account for 16 total bases on the weekend.

# Gordon's Scoreless Streak

- Graduate Cole Gordon tossed two scoreless innings against UAB on Feb. 20 to move his streak of scoreless innings of relief work to 18 2/3 innings.
- The streak began with a scoreless ninth inning against Oklahoma in the fourth game of the Tallahassee Regional and continues into the weekend series with Southern Miss.
- During the stretch, Gordon has accomplished the following; vs. Oklahoma (6/3): 6.0 IP, 7 H, 4 R, 2 BB, 10 K Win The final inning was scoreless, with 3K, 1 HPB, 1 BB at Vanderbilt (6/8): 3.1 IP, 1 H, 1 BB, 3 K at Vanderbilt (6/10): 3.2 IP, 2 H, 3 BB, 7 K vs. Washington (6/16): 0.1 IP, 1 H vs. North Carolina (6/19): 3.0 IP, 1 H, 2 K Save vs. Oregon State (6/23): 4.1 IP, 1 H, 3 K Youngstown State (2/15): 1.0 IP, 2 K Win UAB (2/20): 2.0 IP, 2 H, 1 BB, 4 K Save
- During the streak he has allowed eight hits, six walks and hit one batter. He has fanned 24 batters in the 18 2/3 innings. He is 2-0 with two saves in the eight appearances.
- Along with his work on the mound, Gordon will also wear the SEC Graduate patch, signifying an SEC student-athlete that has already completed their degree.
- He already owns a degree in business administration and marketing. Gordon is currently working towards his MBA.



# **Inside the Series**

#### Series Notes

- Mississippi State and Southern Miss will meet for the 125th in program history on Friday night at Dudy Noble Field to open a three-game series.
- Overall, State owns an 82-42 edge in the series, but the Southern Miss won all three games in a season-opening series in Hattiesburg.
- The Bulldogs are 44-12 in games played in Starkville, 29-26 when playing in Hattiesburg and 9-4 in neutral site contests.
- Over the last 25 meetings, MSU is 13-12 against USM.
- This will be the first trip to Starkville for Southern Miss since 2009. In that game, State won on a Ryan Duffy walk-off home into the Left Field Lounge off of USM reliever Collin Cargill. The 2009 contest also featured a school-record five double plays.
- Ten of the last 17 meetings have come on a neutral site, including one match up at the NCAA Atlanta Regional. The other nine neutral site games have been played in Pearl, Mississippi.
- The only two postseason meetings in the all-time series have come since 2011. The NCAA Atlanta Regional in 2011 and the NCAA Hattiesburg Regional in 2017, all MSU victories.
- Mississippi State senior Jake Mangum owns a .310 batting average all-time versus Southern Miss in six games (all starts). He is 9-for-29 with one double, four runs scored and three RBIs

| Last 10 Meetings |                    |             |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------------|--------------------|-------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Year             | Location           | Result      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2/18/2018        | Hattiesburg, Miss. | L, 2-5      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2/17/2018        | Hattiesburg, Miss. | L, 4-7      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2/16/2018        | Hattiesburg, Miss. | L, 0-11     |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6/5/2017         | Hattiesburg, Miss. | W, 8-6      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6/5/2017         | Hattiesburg, Miss. | W, 8-1      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3/21/2017        | Pearl, Miss.       | L, 5-7      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3/29/2016        | Pearl, Miss.       | W, 13-5     |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3/24/2015        | Pearl, Miss.       | L, 0-3      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4/8/2014         | Pearl, Miss.       | W, 4-3 (11) |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3/12/2013        | Pearl, Miss.       | W, 13-5     |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4/24/2012        | Pearl, Miss.       | W, 5-0      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6/3/2011         | Atlanta, Ga.       | W, 3-0      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4/5/2011         | Pearl, Miss.       | W, 5-4      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5/18/2010        | Hattiesburg, Miss. | W, 16-9     |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5/5/2010         | Pearl, Miss.       | L, 3-14     |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4/8/2009         | Starkville, Miss.  | W, 7-6      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3/17/2009        | Pearl, Miss.       | L, 7-10     |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4/23/2008        | Hattiesburg, Miss. | L, 7-12     |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4/22/2008        | Hattiesburg, Miss. | L, 7-11     |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4/25/2007        | Starkville, Miss.  | W, 7-4      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4/24/2007        | Starkville, Miss.  | W, 11-2     |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4/26/2006        | Hattiesburg, Miss. | L, 3-6      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4/25/2006        | Hattiesburg, Miss. | L, 6-13     |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4/27/2005        | Starkville, Miss.  | L, 1-6      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4/26/2005        | Starkville, Miss.  | W, 5-4      |  |  |  |  |  |

# Week-by-Week Polls

| Week               | BA | CB | D1 | BW | PG | USA | RPI |
|--------------------|----|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|
| Preseason          | 9  | 27 | 14 | 13 | 17 | 15  |     |
| Week 1 - Feb. 18   | 9  | 25 | 14 | 12 | 17 |     |     |
| Week 2 - Feb. 25   |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |
| Week 3 - March 4   |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |
| Week 4 - March 11  |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |
| Week 5 - March 18  |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |
| Week 6 - March 25  |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |
| Week 7 - April 1   |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |
| Week 8 - April 8   |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |
| Week 9 - April 15  |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |
| Week 10 - April 22 |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |
| Week 11 - April 29 |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |
| Week 12 - May 6    |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |
| Week 13 - May 13   |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |
| Week 14 - May 20   |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |
| Week 15 - May 27   |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |
| Final Poll         |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |
|                    |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |

BA - Baseball America, CB - Collegiate Baseball Newspaper, D1 - D1Baseball, BW - National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association, PG - Perfect Game, USA - USA Today Coaches Poll, RPI - NCAA RPI

|       | Baseball Ame      | rica |    |     | Collegiate Bas      | eball |    | D1Baseball |                     |     | NCBWA |     |                     | Perfect Game |    |     | USA Today/Coaches * |     |    |       |                     |         |
|-------|-------------------|------|----|-----|---------------------|-------|----|------------|---------------------|-----|-------|-----|---------------------|--------------|----|-----|---------------------|-----|----|-------|---------------------|---------|
| l. V  | anderbilt         | 2-1  | 1  | 1.  | LSU                 | 3-0   | 1  | 1.         | Vanderbilt          | 2-1 | 1     | 1.  | LSU                 | 3-0          | 2  | 1.  | LSU                 | 3-0 | 1  | 1.    | LSU                 | 39-27   |
| 2. L  | SU                | 3-0  | 2  | 2.  | Vanderbilt          | 2-1   | 2  | 2.         | LSU                 | 3-0 | 2     | 2.  | Vanderbilt          | 2-1          | 1  | 2.  | Oregon State        | 3-0 | 2  | 2.    | Vanderbilt          | 35-27   |
|       | ICLA              | 3-0  | 3  | 3.  | UCLA                | 3-0   | 3  | 3.         | Texas Tech          | 2-1 | 3     | 3.  | UCLA                | 3-0          | 4  | 3.  | Vanderbilt          | 2-1 | 3  | 3.    | Florida             | 49-21   |
|       | lorida            | 3-0  | 4  | 4.  | Texas Tech          | 2-1   | 4  | 4.         | UCLA                | 3-0 | 5     | 4.  | Florida             | 3-0          | 6  | 4.  | UCLA                | 3-0 | 4  | 4.    | Texas Tech          | 45-20   |
| 5. N  | lorth Carolina    | 3-0  | 5  | 5.  | Stanford            | 3-0   | 5  | 5.         | Florida             | 3-0 | 6     | 5.  | Oregon State        | 3-0          | 5  | 5.  | Texas Tech          | 2-1 | 5  | 5.    | Oregon State        | 55-12-1 |
| 5. F  | lorida State      | 4-0  | 6  | 6.  | Florida             | 3-0   | 6  | 6.         | North Carolina      | 3-0 | 7     | 6.  | Texas Tech          | 2-1          | 3  | 6.  | North Carolina      | 3-0 | 6  | 6.    | North Carolina      | 44-20   |
| '. S  | tanford           | 3-0  | 7  | 7.  | Oregon State        | 3-0   | 7  | 7.         | Oregon State        | 3-0 | 8     | 7.  | North Carolina      | 3-0          | 7  | 7.  | Stanford            | 3-0 | 7  | 7.    | UCLA                | 38-21   |
| 3. T  | exas Tech         | 2-1  | 8  | 8.  | North Carolina      | 3-0   | 8  | 8.         | Louisville          | 1-2 | 4     | 8.  | Stanford            | 3-0          | 8  | 8.  | Florida             | 3-0 | 9  | 8.    | Louisville          | 45-19   |
| ). N  | Aississippi State | 3-0  | 9  | 9.  | Florida State       | 4-0   | 10 | 9.         | Georgia             | 3-0 | 9     | 9.  | Florida State       | 4-0          | 10 | 9.  | East Carolina       | 3-0 | 11 | 9.    | Stanford            | 46-12   |
| 10. 0 | regon State       | 3-0  | 10 | 10. | Coastal Carolina    | 3-0   | 12 | 10.        | Ole Miss            | 1-1 | 10    | 10. | Georgia             | 3-0          | 12 | 10. | Ole Miss            | 1-1 | 10 | 10.   | Ole Miss            | 48-17   |
| 11. E | ast Carolina      | 3-0  | 12 | 11. | Georgia             | 3-0   | 13 | 11.        | East Carolina       | 3-0 | 11    | 11. | East Carolina       | 3-0          | 14 | 11. | Louisville          | 1-2 | 8  | 11.   | Florida State       | 43-19   |
| 2. L  | ouisville         | 1-2  | 11 | 12. | Louisville          | 1-2   | 9  | 12.        | Stanford            | 3-0 | 12    | 12. | Mississippi State   | 3-0          | 13 | 12. | Baylor              | 4-0 | 12 | 12.   | Arkansas            | 48-21   |
| 3. 0  | le Miss           | 1-1  | 13 | 13. | Ole Miss            | 1-1   | 11 | 13.        | Florida State       | 4-0 | 13    | 13. | Arkansas            | 3-0          | 15 | 13. | Arkansas            | 3-0 | 13 | 13.   | Georgia             | 39-21   |
| 4. C  | lemson            | 2-1  | 14 | 14. | Texas               | 2-1   | 14 | 14.        | Mississippi State   | 3-0 | 14    | 14. | Louisville          | 1-2          | 9  | 14. | Florida State       | 4-0 | 14 | 14.   | East Carolina       | 44-18   |
| 15. G | ieorgia           | 3-0  | 15 | 15. | Clemson             | 2-1   | 15 | 15.        | Baylor              | 4-0 | 15    | 15. | Baylor              | 4-0          | 16 | 15. | Auburn              | 2-1 | 15 | 15.   | Mississippi State   | 39-29   |
| 16. B | aylor             | 4-0  | 16 | 16. | TCU                 | 2-1   | 19 | 16.        | Arkansas            | 3-0 | 16    | 16. | Ole Miss            | 1-1          | 11 | 16. | TCU                 | 2-1 | 16 | 16.   | Texas               | 42-23   |
| 7. A  | rkansas           | 3-0  | 18 | 17. | Cal State Fullerton | 2-1   | 18 | 17.        | Michigan            | 3-0 | 17    | 17. | Clemson             | 2-1          | 17 | 17. | Mississippi State   | 3-0 | 17 | 17.   | TCU                 | 33-23   |
| 18. A | luburn            | 2-1  | 17 | 18. | Oklahoma State      | 2-1   | 16 | 18.        | TCU                 | 2-1 | 19    | 18. | TCU                 | 2-1          | 21 | 18. | Connecticut         | 2-1 | 20 | 18.   | Baylor              | 37-21   |
| 9. To | exas              | 2-1  | 19 | 19. | Georgia Tech        | 2-1   | 17 | 19.        | Oklahoma State      | 2-1 | 18    | 19. | Coastal Carolina    | 3-0          | 22 | 19. | Michigan            | 3-0 | 19 | 19.   | Clemson             | 47-16   |
| 20. N | Aichigan          | 3-0  | 20 | 20. | Duke                | 3-0   | 20 | 20.        | Wake Forest         | 2-1 | 20    | 20. | Texas               | 2-1          | 18 | 20. | Oklahoma State      | 2-1 | 18 | 20.   | Auburn              | 43-23   |
| 21. S | outhern Miss      | 3-0  | 21 | 21. | Baylor              | 4-0   | 21 | 21.        | Coastal Carolina    | 3-0 | 21    | 21. | Michigan            | 3-0          | 23 | 21. | NC State            | 3-0 | 21 | 21.   | Oklahoma State      | 31-26-1 |
| 22. D | )uke              | 3-0  | 22 | 22. | NC State            | 3-0   | 22 | 22.        | Auburn              | 2-1 | 22    | 22. | Auburn              | 2-1          | 19 | 22. | Georgia             | 3-0 | 22 | 22.   | Coastal Carolina    | 43-19   |
| 23. 0 | oastal Carolina   | 3-0  | 23 | 23. | Arkansas            | 3-0   | 25 | 23.        | Texas               | 2-1 | 23    | 23. | Oklahoma State      | 2-1          | 20 | 23. | UC Irvine           | 2-1 | 23 | 23.   | NC State            | 42-18   |
| 24. T | CU                | 2-1  | 24 | 24. | Arizona             | 4-0   | 26 | 24.        | Clemson             | 2-1 | 24    | 24. | Cal State Fullerton | 2-1          | 24 | 24. | Clemson             | 2-1 | 24 | 24.   | Cal State Fullerton | 36-25   |
| 25. U | IC Irvine         | 2-1  | 25 | 25. | Mississippi State   | 3-0   | 27 | 25.        | Cal State Fullerton | 2-1 | 25    | 25. | Duke                | 3-0          | 25 | 25. | Coastal Carolina    | 3-0 | 25 | 25.   | Michigan            | 33-21   |
|       |                   |      |    | 26. |                     | 2-1   | 23 |            |                     |     |       | 26. | Southern Miss       | 3-0          | 26 |     |                     |     |    |       | •                   |         |
|       |                   |      |    | 27. | Connecticut         | 2-1   | 32 |            |                     |     |       | 27. | Wake Forest         | 2-1          | 28 |     |                     |     |    |       |                     |         |
|       |                   |      |    | 28. | Texas A&M           | 3-0   | 29 |            |                     |     |       | 28. | UC Irvine           | 2-1          | 29 |     |                     |     |    |       |                     |         |
|       |                   |      |    | 29. | Southern Miss       | 3-0   | 30 |            |                     |     |       | 29. | NC State            | 3-0          | 30 |     |                     |     |    | * - F | reseason Poll       |         |
|       |                   |      |    | 30. | Miami (Fla.)        | 3-0   | 33 |            |                     |     |       | 30. | Arizona             | 4-0          | 32 |     |                     |     |    | 201   | 9 Opponents in Bo   | ld      |



## Hitting Totals/Streaks

| <b>MULTI-HIT GAMES</b> | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5+ | 2019 | Career |
|------------------------|---|---|---|----|------|--------|
| Tanner Allen           | 2 | 1 |   |    | 3    | 27     |
| Elijah MacNamee        | 1 | 1 |   |    | 2    | 26     |
| Gunner Halter          | 1 |   |   |    | 1    | 1      |
| Jordan Westburg        |   |   | 1 |    | 1    | 8      |
| Justin Foscue          | 1 |   |   |    | 1    | 12     |
| Jake Mangum            |   | 1 |   |    | 1    | 80     |
| Dustin Skelton         | 1 |   |   |    | 1    | 12     |
|                        |   |   |   |    |      |        |
| Rowdey Jordan          |   |   |   |    |      | 20     |
| Josh Hatcher           |   |   |   |    |      | 12     |
| Marshall Gilbert       |   |   |   |    |      | 8      |
| TEAM                   | 6 | 3 | 1 |    | 10   |        |
|                        |   |   |   |    |      |        |

| MULTI-RBI GAMES  | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5+ | 2019 | Career |
|------------------|---|---|---|----|------|--------|
| Tanner Allen     |   | 1 | 1 | 1  | 3    | 11     |
| Elijah MacNamee  | 1 | 1 |   |    | 2    | 18     |
| Jake Mangum      | 2 |   |   |    | 2    | 21     |
| Gunner Halter    | 1 |   |   |    | 1    | 1      |
| Rowdey Jordan    | 1 |   |   |    | 1    | 11     |
| Jordan Westburg  | 1 |   |   |    | 1    | 8      |
| Justin Foscue    | 1 |   |   |    | 1    | 7      |
|                  |   |   |   |    |      |        |
| Josh Hatcher     |   |   |   |    |      | 6      |
| Dustin Skelton   |   |   |   |    |      | 6      |
| Marshall Gilbert |   |   |   |    |      | 5      |
| TEAM             |   |   |   |    |      |        |

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| 11          |
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| 27 *        |
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| REACHED BASED    | CURRENT | 2019 | CAREER |
|------------------|---------|------|--------|
| Rowdey Jordan    | 7       | 4    | 9      |
| Elijah MacNamee  | 5       | 4    | 31     |
| Jordan Westburg  | 4       | 4    | 8      |
| Tanner Allen     | 4       | 4    | 11     |
| Dustin Skelton   | 3       | 3    | 7      |
| Landon Jordan    |         | 3    | 3      |
| Gunner Halter    |         | 3    | 3      |
| Justin Foscue    | 2       | 2    | 16     |
| Jake Mangum      | 1       | 2    | 27 *   |
| Brad Cumbest     |         | 1    | 1      |
| Josh Hatcher     |         | 1    | 8      |
| Hayden Jones     | 1       | 1    | 1      |
|                  |         |      |        |
| Marshall Gilbert |         |      | 6      |
| Cole Gordon      |         |      | 4      |
| Spencer Price    | 1       |      | 1      |

\* - Mangum's 27-game hit and reached-base streak spanned the 2016 and 2017 seasons. His career-best single season hitting streak is 14 games, doing so during both the 2017 & 2018 seasons. He reached base in 20-straight games during the 2016 campaign.

#### Starting with a Sweep

- Mississippi State opened the 2019 season with a three-game sweep of Youngstown State, marking the first time since 2015 the Bulldogs swept a series to open a season.
- In all, State has opened a season with a perfect home weekend on 13 occasions since 1990, when most college teams began starting the season with weekend series.
- More recently, State was unblemished on the first weekend of a season at home in 2015 (Cincinnati/Miami (Ohio)), 2013 (Portland), 2011 (Akron/Lamar) and 2010 (Rhode Island).
- Other seasons include; 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004, 2001, 1999, 1995, 1994.
- Of the 30 seasons since 1990, State has opened the year at home on 22 occasions.

#### **Preseason Rankings**

- Mississippi State entered the season ranked among the top-25 in each of the six major preseason polls, sitting as high as No. 9 and low as No. 27.
- Four of the preseason polls tabbed the Bulldogs as a top-15 team entering the season, with Baseball America (No. 9), the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association (No. 13), D1Baseball (No. 14) and the USA Today/Coaches Poll (No. 15) all issuing the top-15 spot.
- The last time that MSU earned a preseason ranking from each of the major polls was prior to the 2016 campaign, with rankings ranging from No. 11 to No. 20.
- State was last ranked among the top 15 in four or more polls prior to the 2015 season, earning top-10 rankings from five publications (D1Baseball began rankings in 2015). That season, MSU was as high as No. 2 and as low as No. 8.

#### **Big League Talent**

- Mississippi State is great at turning out major league talent, with 59 Diamond Dawgs reaching the highest level of the sport, but it is also great at keeping student-athletes from the draft.
- The 2019 roster features eight Bulldogs that have been drafted, including two with multiple selections in the Major League Baseball First Year Player Draft.
- · A complete list is below;

| <u>name (Pos.)</u>   | rear | Kouna | <u> </u>             |
|----------------------|------|-------|----------------------|
| Tanner Allen (IF/OF) | 2017 | 36th  | Chicago Cubs         |
| Eric Cerantola (LHP) | 2018 | 30th  | Tampa Bay Rays       |
| JT Ginn (RHP/IF)     | 2018 | 1st   | Los Angeles Dodgers  |
| Gunner Halter (IF)   | 2017 | 22nd  | Toronto Blue Jays    |
|                      | 2018 | 26th  | Cleveland Indians    |
| Josh Hatcher (IF/OF) | 2017 | 39th  | Los Angeles Angels   |
| Jake Mangum (OF)     | 2017 | 30th  | New York Yankees     |
|                      | 2018 | 32nd  | New York Mets        |
| Dustin Skelton (C)   | 2016 | 36th  | Toronto Blue Jays    |
| Ethan Small (LHP)    | 2018 | 26th  | Arizona Diamondbacks |
|                      |      |       |                      |

#### Lemonis Wins No. 1

- Head coach Chris Lemonis earned his first Mississippi State victory in his first game as head coach, joining eight other Bulldog skippers to accomplish the feat.
- Lemonis joins John Cohen, Jimmy Bragan, Paul E. Gregory, S.L. Robinson, F.P. Plass, S.A. Jehl, S.W. Scales and G.C. Creelman, who each won their first games as the Maroon and White's head coach.
- Ron Polk won the first game of his second stint as the MSU skipper in 2002. However, Polk dropped his MSU debut, 2-1, to Louisiana Tech in 1976.
- Of the nine coaches to win their first game, Lemonis joins Creelman and Robinson as the only three to start 4-0 or better.
   Creelman won his first 14 games over five seasons and was 15-0-3 before suffering his first loss, while Robinson started 6-0 in 1919.

#### Uni Watch

 Mississippi State has six different uniform combinations for the 2019 campaign and below is a look at how they have fared in each qarb;

| Black'85s         |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Maroon '85s       | 1-0 |
| White '85s        |     |
| White Block State | 2-0 |
| Grey Sleeveless   |     |
| White Pinstripes  | 1-0 |
| Grey Pinstripes   |     |

#### Voice of the Diamond Dawgs Enters Year 41

- Long-time MSU radio broadcaster Jim Ellis enters his 41st season as the play-by-play announcer for Mississippi State baseball, with his first season having been 1979.
- Ellis is tied for the second-longest tenured broadcaster in the Division I college baseball, trailing only Dave Nitz at Louisiana Tech (45 seasons). Ellis' 41 years are tied with Ole Miss' David Kellum and Southern Miss' John Cox.
- The new Dudy Noble Field features home and visiting radio booths inside the Jim Ellis Radio Suite, named for the iconic "Voice of the Diamond Dawqs."

#### **All The Honors**

#### **Tanner Allen**

Preseason All-SEC (First Team - Coaches)

Collegiate Baseball Newspaper National Player of the Week Honor Roll (Feb. 18) Perfect Game National Hitter of the Week (Feb. 18)

#### JT Ginn

Baseball America Preseason All-America (2nd Team)

#### **Cole Gordon**

NCBWA Stopper of the Year Preseason Watchlist

#### lake Mangum

Golden Spikes Award Preseason Watch List

Collegiate Baseball Newspaper Preseason All-America (first team)

NCBWA Preseason All-America (first team)

D1Baseball Preseason All-America (second team)

Perfect Game (third team)

D1Baseball's top returning senior

Preseason All-SEC (First Team - Coaches)

#### **Spencer Price**

NCBWA Stopper of the Year Preseason Watchlist





# **Dudy Noble Field**

#### Biography

The largest on-campus facility in college baseball, Dudy Noble Field will see the 53rd season of Mississippi State baseball at its current site in 2019. With nearly 1,600 games played at the venue, the Diamond Dawgs bring a .726 winning percentage into the brand new \$68-million facility.

The field is named in honor of longtime MSU baseball coach, athletics director and ABCA Hall of Famer Clarke Randolph "Dudy" Noble. On April 27, 1998 the facility was renamed Dudy Noble Field, Polk-DeMent Stadium, honoring another ABCA Hall of Famer, former Bulldog skipper Ron Polk, and the late Gordon DeMent, a successful businessman and longtime fan of the Diamond Dawgs from Indianola, Mississippi.

#### The Origin

From 1929 until 1964, Mississippi State hosted its baseball games at the original on-campus venue, Hardy Field, which was located several hundred yards to the south of the Bulldogs' home football venue, Davis Wade Stadium at Scott Field. The baseball field was closed following the 1964 season to make way the construction of Dorman Hall and for the next two seasons the Diamond Dawgs played their home games at Redbird Park in Columbus, Mississippi, capturing SEC titles both seasons at their temporary home.

The tin-roofed grandstand and 2,000-seat bleachers from the original Dudy Noble Field were transported to the stadium's present site, which became playable for the 1967 season. Since that time, facility enhancements have followed at a steady pace to make the "Carnegie Hall of College Baseball" one of the finest all-around facilities on the road to Omaha. Among with numerous upgrades, the current site has seen two complete demolitions and reconstructions, the latest occurring during a three-year span from 2017-2019 and opening prior to the start of the 2019 campaign.

### Leading the Attendance Boom

With a laundry list of legendary names on its all-time roster, it comes as no surprise that Mississippi State ranks among the nation's attendance leaders year in and year out. The Dudy Noble Field faithful have sold out the reserved seating allotment every season since 1987.

Along with routinely hosting some of the largest crowds in the SEC, nine of the last 11 three-day Super Bulldog Weekend series have drawn more than 25,000 fans.

MSU eclipsed the 200,000 mark in paid attendance at Dudy Noble Field for six-straight seasons between 2012-17, marking the first such occurrence in the program's history. In 2013, the Diamond Dawgs' five-millionth fan walked through the turnstiles at Dudy Noble Field. Since home attendance figures were charted starting in 1976, the "Carnegie Hall of College Baseball" has seen 6,250,621 fans rush through the gates.

In 18 of the last 19 seasons, Mississippi State has averaged 6,000 fans per game, including a record average of 8,127 during the 2014 campaign. Overall, State has eclipsed the 200,000-fan mark 11 times since 2002, with a school-record 302,558 viewing the 2016 home schedule.

Of the top 25 all-time college baseball on-campus attendances, Dudy Noble Field finds itself on the list 17 times, most notably owning the all-time on-campus attendance record of 15,586 on April 12, 2014. The Bulldogs own 14 of the top 15 marks in NCAA on-campus history and are the only NCAA baseball program to boast on-campus attendances of 14,000 or more. The four largest NCAA Super Regional crowds have assembled in Starkville, Mississippi, as well.

From April 11-13, the Bulldog faithful flooded the gates at Dudy Noble Field to the tune or 39,181 fans for a three-game series versus Ole Miss. The nearly 40,000 fans on the weekend set an NCAA on-campus attendance record for a three-game series.

Dudy Noble Field has ushered in crowds of 10,000 or better 49 times, including 2007 NCAA Super Regional-record draws of 13,715 and 12,620 for nationally-televised, late-morning games against Clemson. With the stadium

under construction in 2018, State added a 10,000-plus crowd to the tally, drawing 10,147 fans for the final date against Arkansas on April 21.

Mississippi State has hosted 23 postseason events at the facility, including three NCAA District III Tournaments (1973, 74 & 75), five SEC tournaments (1979, 1981, 1983, 1988 & 1995), 13 NCAA Regionals (1979, 1984, 1985, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1992, 1997, 2000, 2003, 2013 & 2016) and a pair of NCAA Super Regionals (2007 & 2016).

#### The Left Field Lounge

The aura of Mississippi State baseball at Dudy Noble Field is certainly not confined to the loyal legions in the impressive grandstand, pro-style luxury sky suites or luxurious Left Field Lofts.

In fact, some of the more highly-prized seats at Bulldog Baseball games are found beyond the outfield fence in the Left Field Lounge." Waiting lists greet those seeking to purchase one of the 96 outfield lounges in the iconic two-level outfield tailoate.

Once a colorful assortment of pickup trucks, motor homes, and trailers — most equipped with barbecue grills — lined the outfield fence, completing a circle of humanity at Dudy Noble Field. Now, the permanent lounge spaces are connected to the concourse, allowing everyone to stroll through and experience the iconic lounge culture.

What began in the late 1960s as a popular gathering spot for baseball-loving MSU supporters now forms college baseball's largest tailgate party.

#### The "New Dude"

The second demolition at the current site occurred following the 2017 season and the \$68 million facility opened its gates for the 2019 campaign. Architect Wier Boerner Allin, along with consultants Populous and famed stadium architect/State alum Janet Marie Smith designed the project, while construction manager ICM and general contractor JESCO Construction, Inc. oversaw the construction.

Covering 12 acres of land on the Mississippi State University campus, the 230,000 square foot facility carries on Dudy Noble Field's legacy as the "Carnegie Hall of College Baseball." Installation of the second largest scoreboard in college baseball, measuring 43 feet wide by 60 feet high, started the project in 2017. The board, which was the largest in college baseball upon instillation, is larger than boards owned by three Major League Baseball teams. The addition of 96 permanent Left Field Lounge rigs encircling the outfield followed during the fall of 2018.

The concourse and lower-level grandstands were in place for the 2018 season, with the Diamond Suites, upper-deck reserved seating area and three unique club areas — Farm Bureau Triple Crown Club, Charlie and Dana Stephenson Omaha Club and The Rooftop Club — were completed prior to the 2019 campaign. The newest version of Dudy Noble Field also features increased restroom facilities and concession points of sale.

The player spaces also received an upgrade, expanding to cover 18,000 square feet underneath the facility. The fully-equipped Bruce and Julie Martin Locker Room includes an embedded equipment room, houses 40 wooden lockers and features an oversized, dimensional halo-lit '85 Script Mississippi State sign is suspended overhead in the middle of the room.

The more spacious locker room includes an attached training room with whirlpool and fully-functional fueling station. The Mitch Moreland Hitting Tunnel, which is equipped with HitTrax, and Turner & Gloria Wingo Team Lounge are easily accessed from the home dugout, with the eye-popping player entrance and Hassell H. Franklin Omaha Room greeting players as they enter the facility. The Pitching Lab is also housed under the stadium, featuring arm care and conditioning equipment, one oversized turfed mound with three pitching rubbers and state of the art video equipment.

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|     | Attendance | Opponent         | Date           |
|-----|------------|------------------|----------------|
| 1.  | 15,586 *   | Ole Miss         | April 12, 2014 |
| 2.  | 15,078     | Texas A&M        | April 16, 2016 |
| 3.  | 14,991     | Florida          | April 22, 1989 |
| 4.  | 14,562     | Auburn           | April 20, 2013 |
| 5.  | 14,378     | LSU              | April 16, 1988 |
| 6.  | 13,761     | Arkansas         | April 25, 1992 |
| 7.  | 13,715#    | Clemson          | June 9, 2007   |
| 8.  | 13,691     | Kentucky         | April 8, 2017  |
| 9.  | 13,617     | Georgia          | April 8, 2006  |
| 10. | 13,452#    | Arizona          | June 11, 2016  |
| 11. | 13,224     | Ole Miss         | April 11, 2014 |
| 12. | 13,123     | Ole Miss         | April 15, 2000 |
| 13. | 13,004     | Florida          | April 18, 2015 |
| 14. | 12,913#    | Arizona          | June 10, 2016  |
| 15. | 12,708     | Auburn           | April 24, 1993 |
| 16. | 12,620#    | Clemson          | June 8, 2007   |
| 17. | 12,360     | Georgia          | April 6, 2002  |
| 18. | 11,763     | Auburn           | April 12, 2003 |
| 19. | 11,515     | Ole Miss         | April 2, 2016  |
| 20. | 11,496 ^   | Florida State    | May 27, 1990   |
| 21. | 11,201     | Florida          | April 8, 2011  |
| 22. | 11,174     | Florida          | April 13, 1991 |
| 23. | 11,127 ^   | South Alabama    | May 26, 2000   |
| 24. | 11,124 ^   | South Alabama    | June 1, 2013   |
| 25. | 11,102 ^   | Central Arkansas | May 31, 2013   |
|     |            |                  |                |

- \* NCAA on-campus attendance record
- ^ NCAA Regional
- # NCAA Super Regional

**NOTE:** Mississippi State owns 49 crowds of 10,000-plus in the history of the program. The top seven (7) crowds in Dudy Noble Field history are also the top seven (7) on-campus crowds in NCAA history.



# Going Deep

Below is a listing of all of the home runs for the 2019 season, including expanded data for those home runs that MSU hits at home. (\*-Leadoff home run)

|    | Name            | Inn. | On<br>Base | Exit<br>Velocity | Launch<br>Angle | Distance |
|----|-----------------|------|------------|------------------|-----------------|----------|
| 1. | Tanner Allen    | 6    | 1          | 97               | 32              | 369 feet |
| 2. | Elijah MacNamee | 8    | 2          | 97               | 31              | 365 feet |
| 3. | Tanner Allen    | 2    | 2          | 97               | 29              | 365 feet |
| 4. | Justin Foscue * | 2    |            | 101              | 30              | 375 feet |
| 5. | Hayden Jones    | 5    |            | 104              | 31              | 400 feet |

| The Last Time #-SECTournament   | % - NCAA Regional   ^ - NCAA Super Regional   \$ - College World Series   |
|---|---|
| A MISSISSIPPI STATE TEAM  |   |
| Won 15+ Consecutive Games   |   |
| Won 10+ Consecutive SEC Games   |   |
| Lost 5+ Consecutive Games   | 6 - May 7-16, 2015  |
| Lost 5+ Consecutive SEC Games   |   |
| Swept a Three-Game Series   | Youngstown State; Feb. 15-17, 2019<br>  |
| on The Road   |   |
| at Home   | Youngstown State; Feb. 15-17, 2019  |
| Swept a Three-Game SEC Series. at Home on The Road.                                     | Florida; May 17-19, 2018  |
| Was Swept in a Three-Game Series  | Vanderbilt; March 16-18, 2018<br>Vanderbilt; March 16-18, 2018  |
| Was Swept in a Three-Game Non-Conference Series   | at Southern Miss; Feb. 16-18, 2018<br>Southeastern Louisiana; Feb. 26-28, 2010  |
| on The Road   | Vanderbilt; March 16-18, 2018   |
| on The Road   | at Arkansas, March 17-19, 2017  |
| Played An Extra-Inning Game   | /, 10-6 (11 innings) - at Vanderbilt; June 10, 2018 ↑ L, 5-6 (11 innings) - at Oregon; March 5, 2017 ama, W, 14-12 (10 innings) and L, 3-4 (10 innings) |
| Won Consecutive Extra-Inning Games  |   |
| Won Consecutive Games Via A Walk-Off  |   |
| A MISSISSIPPI STATE OFFENSE   | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·   |
| Scored 30+ Runs         Scored 25+ Runs         Scored 20+ Runs         Scored 15+ Runs |   |
| Scored 10+ Runs In An Inning. Scored 9+ Runs In An Inning Scored 8+ Runs In An Inning   | 11 (8th) - Youngstown State; Feb. 15, 2019<br>11 (8th) - Youngstown State; Feb. 15, 2019  |
| Had 30+ Hits Had 25+ Hits Had 20+ Hits  | 26 - Little Rock; Feb. 28, 1999   |
| Had 6+ Home Runs  | 5 - Alabama; May 2, 2009<br>r Poole (Solo) - Morehead State; February 21, 2017  |
| Had 3+ Triples  |   |
| Had 8+ Doubles  | 8 - at Auburn; May 14, 2016   |
| Had 10+ Walks   |   |
| Had 9+ Stolen Bases   | 10 - Arkansas-Pine Bluff; March 18, 2017  |
| Didn't Strikeout in a Game  | 2 - Youngstown State; Feb. 15, 2019   |
| Was Shut Out  | Vanderbilt (0-5); March 16, 2018<br>at LSU (0-4); March 31, 2018<br>Auburn (0-5, 0-4); March 27-28, 2015  |

| A MISSISSIPPI STATE PITCHING STAFF             |  |
|--|--|
| Held Opponent To 2 Hits                        |  |
|  |  |
| Did Not Issue A Walk                           |  |
|  | Youngstown State-2; Feb. 16, 201   |
| on The Road                                    | Youngstown State-2; Feb. 16, 201<br>at Auburn; May 13, 2016 (4-<br>  |
| Postseason Game                                |  |
| At Home  | vs. Georgia; May 24, 2017 (3-0)  |
| A MISSISSIPPI STATE BATTER HAD                 |  |
|  |  |
|  | 8 - Adam Frazier & Brett Pirtle; vs. Missouri, May 21, 2013  |
|  |  |
| 4+ Hits  |  |
| 5+ Runs  |  |
|  |  |
| 2+ Triples                                     |  |
|  |  |
| Inside-The-Park Home Run                       | Cody Brown; vs. Kentucky, April 7, 201   |
| Leadoff Home Run (Top or bottom of 1st inning) |  |
| Hit a Grand Slam                               | Jordan Westburg; vs. North Carolina, June 19, 2018<br>New<br>New   |
| 10+ RBIs                                       |  |
| 10+ Total Bases                                |  |
|  |  |
| 3+ Stolen Bases                                |  |
| 3+ Hit By Pitches                              |  |
| A MISSISSIPPI STATE PITCHER HAD                |  |
| A Perfect Game                                 | J.T. Peatross; Mississippi College (1-0), 191  |
|  |  |
| Complete-Game 1-Hitter                         | Unknow   |
| •  | Dakota Hudson; vs. Arkansas (7-0), May 19, 201   |
| at Home  |  |
| as a Freshman                                  | Scott Tanksley; vs. Mississippi College (6-0), April 20, 199  B.J. Wallace; vs. Nicholls State (1-0), May 21, 1992 |
| 10+ Strikeouts                                 |  |
| ,  | Trevor Fitts; vs. Marshall and Alabama A&M, Feb. 22, 20  |
| A MISSISSIPPI STATE DEFENSE                    |  |
| ,  |  |
| • •  |  |
|  |  |
| Threw Out 3 Base Runners                       |  |

# Where They Rank

| Car | eer Hits                   |      |
|-----|----------------------------|------|
|     | Player (Seasons)           | Hits |
| 1.  | Jeffrey Rea (2004-07)      | 335  |
| 2.  | Richard Lee (1995-98)      | 328  |
| 3.  | Travis Chapman (1997-00)   | 327  |
| 4.  | Steve Gendron (2001-04)    | 316  |
| 5.  | Burke Masters (1987-90)    | 295  |
| 6.  | Jake Mangum (2016-present) | 280  |
| 7.  | Matt. Maniscalco (2000-03) | 279  |
| 8.  | Tommy Raffo (1987-90)      | 278  |
| 9.  | Brad Hildreth (1986-89)    | 275  |
| 10. | Rafael Palmeiro (1983-85)  | 268  |

# **Career Doubles**

| Travis Chapman (1997-2000)<br>Richard Lee (1995-98)<br>Pete Young (1987-89)<br>Dan Van Cleve (1981-85) | 71<br>66<br>56<br>55  |
|--|---|
| Pete Young (1987-89)   | 56  |
| J ' '  |   |
| Dan Van Cleve (1981-85)  | 55  |
|  | "   |
| Matthew Maniscalco (2000-03)   | 54  |
| John Cohen (1988-90)   | 53  |
| Tommy Raffo (1987-90)  | 52  |
| Rex Buckner (1990-93)  | 52  |
| Adam Piatt (1995-97)   | 52  |
| Connor Powers (2006-10)  | 52  |
| Jake Mangum (2016-present)   | 52  |
|  | Matthew Maniscalco (2000-03)<br>John Cohen (1988-90)<br>Tommy Raffo (1987-90)<br>Rex Buckner (1990-93)<br>Adam Piatt (1995-97)<br>Connor Powers (2006-10) |

# Career Games Played

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|------------------------------|--|
| Player (Seasons)             | Games Played   |
| Burke Masters (1987-90)      | 251  |
| Richard Lee (1995-98)        | 248  |
| Travis Chapman (1997-2000)   | 248  |
| Brad Freeman (1995-98)       | 246  |
| Matthew Maniscalco (2000-03) | 246  |
| Steve Gendron (2001-04)      | 242  |
| Rex Buckner (1990-93)        | 240  |
| Brad Hildreth (1986-89)      | 237  |
| Tracy Echols (1986-87,89-90) | 237  |
| Jeffrey Rea (2004-07)        | 236  |
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| Jake Mangum (2016-present)   | 199  |
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Record: 4-0 Home: 4-0 Away: 0-0 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 | ро  | а  | е | fld%  |
|----------------------|------|-------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|----|-------|----|----|----|-----|------|----|----|--------|-----|----|---|-------|
| 5 Allen, Tanner      | .438 | 4-4   | 16  | 5  | 7  | 3  | 0  | 2  | 13  | 16 | 1.000 | 2  | 0  | 0  | 0   | .500 | 0  | 0  | 0-0    | 29  | 0  | 0 | 1.000 |
| 11 Westburg, Jordan  | .417 | 4-4   | 12  | 7  | 5  | 1  | 1  | 0  | 3   | 8  | .667  | 4  | 3  | 3  | 0   | .632 | 0  | 0  | 0-0    | 2   | 4  | 0 | 1.000 |
| 40 MacNamee, Elijah  | .333 | 4-4   | 15  | 3  | 5  | 1  | 0  | 1  | 6   | 9  | .600  | 2  | 1  | 2  | 0   | .444 | 0  | 0  | 1-2    | 9   | 0  | 0 | 1.000 |
| 15 Mangum, Jake      | .278 | 4-4   | 18  | 5  | 5  | 3  | 0  | 0  | 4   | 8  | .444  | 0  | 1  | 2  | 0   | .316 | 0  | 0  | 2-2    | 10  | 0  | 0 | 1.000 |
| 8 Skelton, Dustin    | .273 | 3-3   | 11  | 4  | 3  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 2   | 3  | .273  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0   | .333 | 0  | 0  | 0-0    | 31  | 8  | 0 | 1.000 |
| 2 Halter, Gunner     | .267 | 4-4   | 15  | 3  | 4  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 2   | 4  | .267  | 0  | 0  | 4  | 0   | .267 | 0  | 0  | 0-0    | 6   | 6  | 1 | .923  |
| 17 Foscue, Justin    | .267 | 4-4   | 15  | 3  | 4  | 1  | 0  | 1  | 3   | 8  | .533  | 2  | 0  | 0  | 0   | .333 | 1  | 0  | 0-0    | 1   | 7  | 1 | .889  |
| 32 Jordan, Landon    | .250 | 4-4   | 12  | 2  | 3  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 4  | .333  | 1  | 0  | 1  | 0   | .308 | 0  | 0  | 1-1    | 0   | 0  | 0 | .000  |
| 4 Jordan, Rowdey     | .200 | 4-4   | 15  | 6  | 3  | 2  | 0  | 0  | 2   | 5  | .333  | 4  | 0  | 4  | 0   | .368 | 0  | 0  | 0-0    | 1   | 0  | 0 | 1.000 |
|                      |      |       |     |    |    |    |    |    |     |    |       |    |    |    |     |      |    |    |        |     |    |   |       |
| 10 Hatcher, Josh     | .500 | 2-0   | 2   | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 1   | 1  | .500  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0   | .500 | 0  | 0  | 0-0    | 0   | 1  | 0 | 1.000 |
| 33 Cumbest, Brad     | .333 | 3-0   | 3   | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 1   | 1  | .333  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0   | .333 | 0  | 0  | 0-0    | 0   | 0  | 0 | .000  |
| 12 Jones, Hayden     | .200 | 3-1   | 5   | 1  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 1   | 4  | .800  | 0  | 0  | 2  | 0   | .200 | 0  | 0  | 0-0    | 13  | 1  | 0 | 1.000 |
| 34 Gilbert, Marshall | .000 | 1-0   | 1   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0  | .000  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0   | .000 | 0  | 0  | 0-0    | 4   | 0  | 0 | 1.000 |
| Totals               | .300 | 4     | 140 | 39 | 42 | 12 | 1  | 5  | 38  | 71 | .507  | 16 | 5  | 21 | 0   | .389 | 1  | 0  | 4-5    | 108 | 34 | 2 | .986  |
| Opponents            | .185 | 4     | 130 | 7  | 24 | 1  | 0  | 2  | 7   | 31 | .238  | 10 | 4  | 53 | 1   | .264 | 0  | 1  | 3-5    | 96  | 30 | 8 | .940  |

LOB - Team (27), Opp (30). DPs turned - Team (1).

# (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 |
|--------------------|-------|-----|--------|-----|-----|----|------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-------|----|----|----|-----|-----|
| 18 James, Keegan   | 0.00  | 1-0 | 1 1    | 0   | 0/1 | 0  | 5.0  | 4  | 0  | 0  | 2  | 6  | 0  | 0  | 0  | .235  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   |
| 44 Small, Ethan    | 3.60  | 0-0 | 1 1    | 0   | 0/0 | 0  | 5.0  | 3  | 2  | 2  | 0  | 11 | 1  | 0  | 1  | .176  | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0   | 1   |
| 3 Ginn, JT         | 3.60  | 1-0 | 1 1    | 0   | 0/0 | 0  | 5.0  | 2  | 2  | 2  | 1  | 7  | 0  | 0  | 1  | .118  | 1  | 1  | 0  | 0   | 0   |
| 13 Plumlee, Peyton | 4.05  | 0-0 | 2 1    | 0   | 0/0 | 0  | 6.2  | 8  | 3  | 3  | 1  | 5  | 0  | 0  | 0  | .276  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   |
|                    |       |     |        |     |     |    |      |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |       |    |    |    |     |     |
| 24 Gordon, Cole    | 0.00  | 1-0 | 2 (    | 0   | 0/0 | 1  | 3.0  | 2  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 6  | 0  | 0  | 0  | .182  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   |
| 6 Smith, Brandon   | 0.00  | 0-0 | 2 (    | 0   | 0/1 | 0  | 2.1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 4  | 0  | 0  | 0  | .000  | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0   | 0   |
| 16 Eagan, Jack     | 0.00  | 0-0 | 1 (    | 0   | 0/0 | 0  | 2.0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 4  | 0  | 0  | 0  | .000  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   |
| 14 Self, Riley     | 0.00  | 1-0 | 2 (    | 0   | 0/1 | 0  | 2.0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | .000  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   |
| 41 White, Colby    | 0.00  | 0-0 | 1 (    | 0   | 0/0 | 0  | 1.0  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 3  | 0  | 0  | 0  | .250  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   |
| 37 Cerantola, Eric | 0.00  | 0-0 | 1 (    | 0   | 0/0 | 0  | 1.0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 2  | 2  | 0  | 0  | 0  | .000  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   |
| 46 Barlow, Trysten | 0.00  | 0-0 | 1 (    | 0   | 0/1 | 0  | 1.0  | 2  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 2  | 0  | 0  | 0  | .400  | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0   | 0   |
| 19 Liebelt, Jared  | 0.00  | 0-0 | 1 (    | 0   | 0/1 | 0  | 1.0  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | .200  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   |
| 55 Price, Spencer  | 0.00  | 0-0 | 1 (    | 0   | 0/0 | 0  | 1.0  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 2  | 0  | 0  | 0  | .250  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0   |
| Totals             | 1.75  | 4-0 | 4 4    | . 0 | 1/1 | 1  | 36.0 | 24 | 7  | 7  | 10 | 53 | 1  | 0  | 2  | .185  | 4  | 4  | 0  | 0   | 1   |
| Opponents          | 10.12 | 0-4 | 4 4    |     | 0/0 | 0  | 32.0 | 42 | 39 | 36 | 16 | 21 | 12 | 1  | 5  | .300  | 10 | 5  | 0  | 1   | 0   |

PB - Team (1), Jones 1, Opp (2). SBA/ATT - Skelton (3-4), Plumlee (2-2), Gordon (1-1), Jones (0-1), James (0-1), Self (0-1).



# 2019 Game-by-Game

| Hitting |               |     |    |    |     |    |    |    |    |    |     |    |    |      |    |    |     |    |     |    |   |     |      |
|---------|---------------|-----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|------|----|----|-----|----|-----|----|---|-----|------|
| Date    | Opponent      | ab  | r  | h  | rbi | 2b | 3b | hr | tb | bb | ibb | sb | cs | hbps | ac | sf | gdp | k  | ро  | а  | е | lob | avg  |
| Feb 15  | YOUNGSTOWN ST | 40  | 14 | 14 | 14  | 4  | 0  | 2  | 24 | 4  | 0   | 0  | 0  | 0    | 0  | 0  | 0   | 2  | 27  | 6  | 1 | 6   | .350 |
| Feb 16  | YOUNGSTOWN ST | 36  | 14 | 14 | 13  | 5  | 0  | 1  | 22 | 6  | 0   | 1  | 1  | 1    | 0  | 1  | 0   | 3  | 27  | 8  | 0 | 6   | .368 |
| Feb 16  | YOUNGSTOWN ST | 35  | 8  | 11 | 8   | 3  | 1  | 2  | 22 | 3  | 0   | 2  | 0  | 3    | 0  | 0  | 0   | 8  | 27  | 7  | 1 | 9   | .351 |
| Feb 20  | UAB           | 29  | 3  | 3  | 3   | 0  | 0  | 0  | 3  | 3  | 0   | 1  | 0  | 1    | 0  | 0  | 0   | 8  | 27  | 13 | 0 | 6   | .300 |
| Totals  |               | 140 | 39 | 42 | 38  | 12 | 1  | 5  | 71 | 16 | 0   | 4  | 1  | 5    | 0  | 1  | 0   | 21 | 108 | 34 | 2 | 27  | .300 |

| Pitching |               |      |    |   |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |    |     |       |     |    |      |
|----------|---------------|------|----|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|-------|-----|----|------|
| Date     | Opponent      | ip   | h  | r | er | bb | so | 2b | 3b | hr | wp | bk | hbp | dр | ibb | score | w-l | sv | era  |
| Feb 15   | YOUNGSTOWN ST | 9.0  | 5  | 3 | 3  | 1  | 18 | 1  | 0  | 1  | 1  | 0  | 1   | 0  | 0   | 14-3  | 1-0 | 0  | 3.00 |
| Feb 16   | YOUNGSTOWN ST | 9.0  | 3  | 2 | 2  | 5  | 15 | 0  | 0  | 1  | 1  | 0  | 1   | 0  | 0   | 14-2  | 2-0 | 0  | 2.50 |
| Feb 16   | YOUNGSTOWN ST | 9.0  | 7  | 0 | 0  | 2  | 10 | 0  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0  | 1   | 1  | 0   | 8-0   | 3-0 | 0  | 1.67 |
| Feb 20   | UAB           | 9.0  | 9  | 2 | 2  | 2  | 10 | 0  | 0  | 0  | 1  | 0  | 1   | 0  | 0   | 3-2   | 4-0 | 1  | 1.75 |
| Totals   |               | 36.0 | 24 | 7 | 7  | 10 | 53 | 1  | 0  | 2  | 4  | 0  | 4   | 1  | 0   | 39-7  | 4-0 | 1  | 1.75 |

| 2019 Results |                    |   |       |      |         |       |                   |        |      |
|--------------|--------------------|---|-------|------|---------|-------|-------------------|--------|------|
| Date         | Opponent           |   | Score | Inns | Overall | SEC   | Pitcher of record | Attend | Time |
| Feb 15, 2019 | YOUNGSTOWN STATE   | W | 14-3  | 9    | 1-0-0   | 0-0-0 | Gordon (W 1-0)    | 8503   | 3:00 |
| Feb 16, 2019 | YOUNGSTOWN STATE-1 | W | 14-2  | 9    | 2-0-0   | 0-0-0 | Ginn (W 1-0)      | 9157   | 3:00 |
| Feb 16, 2019 | YOUNGSTOWN STATE-2 | W | 8-0   | 9    | 3-0-0   | 0-0-0 | James (W 1-0)     | 9157   | 2:52 |
| Feb 20, 2019 | UAB                | W | 3-2   | 9    | 4-0-0   | 0-0-0 | Self (W 1-0)      | 6539   | 2:54 |