2020 MISSISSIPPI STATE BASEBALL

130 Seasons | 38 NCAA Tournament Appearances | 11 College World Series Appearances | 15 MLB First Round Draft Picks





FEB. 20-22, 2021

2020 Schedule & Results

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State 1 20	Farm College Baseball Showdown (A vs. No. 12 Texas (1)	riington, iexas; Giobe FloBaseball.tv	LIT e Fleia) 11 a.m.
21	vs. No. 13 TCU (1)	FloBaseball.tv	11 a.m.
22	vs. No. 3 Texas Tech (1)	FloBaseball.tv	11 a.m.
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23	JACKSON STATE	SECN+	4 p.m.
24	JACKSON STATE	SECN+	4 p.m.
26	TULANE	SECN+	4 p.m
27	TULANE	SECN+	2 p.m
28	TULANE	SECN+	1 p.m.
March Tructo	nark Park (Pearl, Miss.)		
2	vs. Southern Miss (2)		6 p.m
5	TENNESSEE TECH	SECN+	6 p.m
6	TENNESSEE TECH	SECN+	2 p.m
7	TENNESSEE TECH	SECN+	1 p.m
9	GRAMBLING	SECN+	6 p.m
10	LOUISIANA LAFAYETTE	SECN+	6 p.m
12	EASTERN MICHIGAN	SECN+	6 p.m
13	EASTERN MICHIGAN	SECN+	2 p.m
14	EASTERN MICHIGAN	SECN+	1 p.m
16	SAMFORD	SECN+	6 p.m
19	at LSU *	SEC Network	6 p.m
20	at LSU *	SECN+	6:30 p.m
21	at LSU *	SECN+	2 p.m
23	NORTH ALABAMA	SECN+	6:30 p.m
25 26	ARKANSAS *	SECN+	6:30 p.m
20 27	ARKANSAS *	SECN+	2 p.m
2 <i>1</i> 28	ARKANSAS *	SEC Network	
20 30	MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE	SECN+	2 p.m 6:30 p.m
<u>April</u> 1	KENTUCKY*	ESPNU	6:30 p.m.
2	KENTUCKY*	SEC Network	6 p.m
3	KENTUCKY*	SECN+	2 p.m
6	SOUTHERN	SECN+	6:30 p.m
9	at Auburn *	SECN+	6:30 p.m
10	at Auburn *	SECN+	2 p.m
11	at Auburn *	SEC Network	2 p.m
13	ARKANSAS STATE	SECN+	6:30 p.m
16	OLE MISS *	SEC Network	6 p.m
17	OLE MISS *	SECN+	2 p.m
18	OLE MISS *	SECN+	1 p.m
20	UAB	SECN+	6:30 p.m
23	at Vanderbilt *	SEC Network	7 p.m
24	at Vanderbilt *	SEC Network	7 p.m
25	at Vanderbilt *	SECN+	1 p.m
30	TEXAS A&M *	SECN+	6:30 p.m
<u>May</u> 1	TEXAS A&M *	SECN+	2 p.m
2	TEXAS A&M *	SEC Network	2 p.m
- 7	at South Carolina *	SECN+	6 p.m
8	at South Carolina *	SECN+	3 p.m
9	at South Carolina *	SEC Network	1 p.m
11	UT MARTIN	SECN+	6:30 p.m
13	MISSOURI *	ESPNU	7:30 p.m
14	MISSOURI *	SECN+	6:30 p.m
15	MISSOURI *	SECN+	1 p.m
18	JACKSONVILLE STATE	SECN+	6:30 p.m
20	at Alabama *	SECN+	6 p.m
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Rankings from Baseball America | All times central and subject to change **HOME GAMES IN BOLD CAPS** | *- Southeastern Conference game
(1) - Globe Life Field; Arlington Texas | (2) - Trustmark Park; Pearl, Miss.

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December (CEC)

Record (SEC)	:	
H/A/N:		/ /
Rankings:	D1Baseb	nerica - 8, CBN - 9 all - 7, NCBWA - 7 12, USA Today - 7
Head Coach:		Chris Lemonis
Record at MS	SU (Yrs.):	64-19 (3rd)
Career Recor	d (Yrs):	205-110-2 (7th)
Batting Aver	age:	.260*
Runs Per-Ga	me:	5.3*
Hits Per-Gan	ne:	8.5*
Slugging Per	rcentage:	.380*
ERA:		2.85*
K's/BB Ratio	:	2.95/1*
Batting Aver	age Against:	.187*
First Year of	Baseball: 18	85 (131st season)

Texas		
Record (Big	12):	
H/A/N:		/ /
Rankings:	Baseball Am	erica - 12, CBN - 20
	D1Base	ball - 9, NCBWA - 9
P	erfect Game -	22, USA Today - 10
Head Coach	ı:	David Pierce
Record at U	T (Yrs.):	122-77 (4th)
Career Reco	ord (Yrs):	319-186 (10th)
Batting Ave	erage:	.256
Runs Per-G	ame:	5.8
Hits Per-Ga	me:	8.0
Slugging Po	ercentage:	.382

ERA:

K's/BB Ratio:

Batting Average Against:

The Rotation	
Friday, March 6, 2020 MSU: Christian MacLeod, LHP, Fr. (3Y) UT: Ty Madden, RHP, So.	
Saturday, March 7, 2020 MSU: Will Bednar, RHP, Fr. (2Y) TCU: Russell Smith, LHP, R-So.	
Sunday, March 8, 2020 MSU: Eric Cerantola, RHP, So. TTU: Mason Montgomery, LHP, So.	

* - 2020 totals

2.59

3.36/1

.203

Gameday Information

Program Record: 2,704-1,580-29 (.630)

No. 8 Mississippi State at State Farm College Baseball Showdown

Globe Life Field (Arlington, Texas)

	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
Opponent	No. 12 Texas	No. 13 TCU	No. 3 Texas Tech
First Pitch	11 a.m. CT	11 a.m. CT	11 a.m. CT
TV			
Internet Stream	FloBaseball.tv (\$)	FloBaseball.tv (\$)	FloBaseball.tv (\$)
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

What's Inside

- Mississippi State will open the season against a ranked opponent for just the ninth time since 1990.
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- The Diamond Dawgs will open away from home for just the third time since 2000. It will be the first neutral site season opener since the 2000 Coca-Cola Classic in Mobile, Alabama.
- Christian MacLeod was the only freshman in 2020 to post multiple double-digit strikeout games, and became just the third Diamond Dawg rookie to ever accomplish the feat.
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- Graduate Riley Self ended 2020 with 79 career relief appearances, a total that ranks No. 6 on MSU's career charts.
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- The freshman trio of Will Bednar, Christian MacLeod and Landon Sims piled up 81 strikeouts in 2020, the most among any freshman trio in the NCAA.
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- Graduate Spencer Price posted his first two saves in over two full seasons to close out 2020 versus Texas Tech. Over 1,000 days came between his final save of 2017 and his first save of 2020.
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- The Diamond Dawgs finished among the top 10 in at least one
 of the final national polls in 2020, which marked the first time in
 program history with back-to-back-to-back top 10 finishes.
- When was the last time Mississippi State didn't play a conference game? The last time State played 16 games in a season?
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2021 Roster

N	Numerical								
#	Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	Cl./Exp.	Hometown/High School (Previous School)		
2	KC Hunt	RHP	L/R	6-3	200	So./Fr.	Wycoff, N.J./Ramapo		
3	Scotty Dubrule	IF	L/R	5-10	175	Gr./Sr.	Venice, Fla./Venice (Jacksonville)		
4	Rowdey Jordan	0F	S/R	5-10	190	Sr./Jr.	Auburn, Ala./Auburn		
5	Tanner Allen	0F	L/R	5-11	190	Sr./Jr.	Theodore, Ala./UMS- Wright Prep		
6	Kamren James	IF	R/R	6-2	205	So./Fr.	Southaven, Miss./DeSoto Central		
7	Brandon Smith	RHP	R/R	6-3	220	Jr./So.	Richland, Miss./Richland		
8	Drew McGowan	0F	L/R	6-1	180	So./Fr.	Hopkinsville, Ky./University Heights Academy		
9	Landon Jordan	IF	L/R	6-0	195	Jr./So.	Poplarville, Miss./Hancock		
10	Josh Hatcher	IF/OF	L/L	6-2	200	Sr./Jr.	Albany, Ga./Lee County		
11	Kellum Clark	IF	L/R	6-4	205	Fr./Fr.	Brandon, Miss./Brandon		
12	Davis Meche	IF	L/R	5-10	165	Fr./Fr.	Lake Charles, La./Barbe		
13	Davis Rokose	LHP	L/L	6-0	205	So./Fr.	Johns Creek, Ga./Chattahoochee		
14	Riley Self	RHP	R/R	6-4	230	Gr./Sr.	Coldwater, Miss./Magnolia Heights School		
15	Cade Smith	RHP	L/R	6-1	190	Fr./Fr.	Southaven, Miss./DeSoto Central		
17	Stone Simmons	RHP	R/R	6-4	235	So./Fr.	Houston, Texas/ The Kinkaid School (Furman)		
18	Chase Patrick	RHP	R/R	5-9	170	Sr./Jr.	Ellaville, Ga./Schley County (Chattahoochee C.C.)		
19	Logan Tanner	C	R/R	6-0	230	So./Fr.	Lucedale, Miss./George County		
20	Luke Hancock	C	L/R	5-11	195	Jr./So.	Houston, Miss./Houston		
23	Landon Sims	RHP	R/R	6-2	235	So./Fr.	Cumming, Ga./South Forsyth		
24	Will Bednar	RHP	R/R	6-2	235	So./Fr.	Valencia, Pa./Mars Area		
25	Kyte McDonald	0F	R/R	5-10	180	So./Fr.	San Antonio, Texas/ Antonian		
26	Xavier Lovett	RHP	R/R	5-11	185	So./Fr.	Houston, Texas/ Westfield		
27	Jackson Fristoe	RHP	R/R	6-4	210	Fr./Fr.	Paducah, Ky./Paducah Tilghman		
28	Christian MacLeod	LHP	L/L	6-4	220	Jr./Fr.	Huntsville, Ala./Huntsville		
29	Carlisle Koestler	RHP	R/R	5-11	190	Gr./Sr.	Vicksburg, Miss./Warren Central (Southeastern Louisiana)		
30	Jared Shemper	LHP	R/L	6-0	205	Sr./Jr.	Germantown, Tenn./Christian Brothers (Wallace C.CDothan)		
31	Tanner Leggett	IF	R/R	5-10	155		Raymond, Miss./Central Hinds Academy (Northwest Mississippi C.C.)		
32	Parker Stinnett	RHP	R/R	6-1	190	Jr./So.	Oxford, Miss./Oxford (Northwest Mississippi C.C.)		
33	Brad Cumbest	0F	R/R	6-5	250	Jr./So.	Hurley, Miss./East Central		
34	Shane Lewis	IF	S/R	6-0	200	Fr./Fr.	Vicksburg, Miss./Warren Central		
35	Preston Johnson	RHP	R/R	6-4	250	Jr./So.	Crystal Springs, Miss./Copiah Academy (Hinds C.C.)		
36	Brayland Skinner	OF DUD	L/L	5-10	175	Sr./So.	Lake Cormorant, Miss./Lake Cormorant (Northwest Mississippi C.C.)		
37	Eric Cerantola	RHP	R/R	6-5	225	Jr./So.	Oakville, Ontario/Ecole Secondaire Catholique Sainte-Trinite		
38	Kole Alford	LHP	R/L	6-2	175	So./Fr.	McComb, Miss./North Pike Senior (Pearl River C.C.)		
39	Mikey Tepper	RHP	L/R	6-0	210	Fr./Fr.	Fort Mill, S.C./Fort Mill		
40	Jaxen Forrester	RHP IF	R/R R/R	6-0	195	Sr./Jr.	Spanish Fort, Ala./Spanish Fort (East Mississippi C.C.)		
43 44	Lane Forsythe Kace Garner	C	R/R	5-10 6-1	170 195	Fr./Fr. Jr./So.	Humboldt, Tenn./Trinity Christian Academy		
44	Cameron Tullar	LHP	R/L	6-1	215	Jr./So. Jr./So.	Brandon, Miss./ Northwest Rankin (Meridian C.C.) Brighton, Mich./Brighton (Wabash Valley (III.) College)		
46	Austin Reed	OF	R/R	6-0	190	Fr./Fr.	Buckner, Ky./Oldham County		
40 47	Drew Talley	RHP	R/R	6-3	220	Sr./Jr.	Huntsville, Ala./Huntsville (Wallace State C.CHanceville)		
48	Houston Harding	LHP	L/L	6-1	230	Sr./Jr.	Walls, Miss./Evangelical Christian School (Itawamba C.C.)		
49	Corbin Grantham	OF	R/R	5-10	185	Fr./Fr.	Gainesville, Fla./Buchholz		
50	Brandon Pimentel	IF/OF	L/L	6-3	220	Jr./So.	El Paso, Texas/Socorro (Howard C.C.)		
51	Dylan Carmouche	LHP	S/L	6-5	225	Fr./Fr.	Denham Springs, La./LSU Laboratory		
55	Spencer Price	RHP	R/R	6-2	235	Gr./Sr.	Olive Branch, Miss./DeSoto Central (Meridian C.C.)		
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- 22 Chris Lemonis Head Coach (Third Season at Mississippi State, Sixth Overall; The Citadel, 1992)
- 21 Jake Gautreau Assistant Coach (Fourth Season; Tulane, 2011)
- 42 Scott Foxhall Assistant Coach (Third Season; College of Charleston, 2004)
- 0 Kyle Cheesebrough Volunteer Assistant Coach (Third Season; Louisville, 2010)

Program Quick Facts

School Information	
Location	Starkville, Mississippi
Founded	1878
Enrollment	22,226
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
Stadium	

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Name	Dudy Noble Field, Polk-DeMent Stadium
Capacity	15,000+
	(25 percent capacity for 2021)
Field Dimensions	Left-330, Left Center-385,
	Center-400, Right Center-380, Right-305

2020 Team Information	
Overall Record (SEC; Finish)	12-4 ()
Home/Away/Neutral	10-2/1-2/2-0
Postseason	
Lettermen Returning/Lost	24/7
Position Starters Returning/Lost	8/2
Pitchers Returning/Lost	12/2
Newcomers	19 (10 Freshmen, 9 Transfers)
Program Information	
First Year of Baseball	1885 (131st season)
First Year in SEC	1933 (Charter Member)
All-Time Record (Win %)	2,704-1,580-29 (.630)
All-Time SEC Record (Win %)	959-822-3 (.539)
SEC Championships (Last)	11 (2016)
SEC Tournament Championships (Last)	7 (2012)
NCAA Tournaments (Last)	38 (2019)
NCAA Super Regionals (Last)	9 (2019)

11 (2019)

College World Series (Last)

	Alphabetical								
#	Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	CI./Exp.			
38	Alford, Kole	LHP	R/L	6-2	175	So./Fr.			
5	Allen, Tanner	OF	L/R	5-11	190	Sr./Jr.			
24	Bednar, Will	RHP	R/R	6-2	235	So./Fr.			
51	Carmouche, Dylan	LHP	S/L	6-5	225	Fr./Fr.			
37	Cerantola, Eric	RHP	R/R	6-5	225	Jr./So.			
0	Cheesebrough, Kyle	Ass	istant Co	ach					
11	Clark, Kellum	IF	L/R	6-4	205	Fr./Fr.			
33	Cumbest, Brad	OF	R/R	6-5	250	Jr./So.			
3	Dubrule, Scotty	IF	L/R	5-10	175	Gr./Sr.			
40	Forrester, Jaxen	RHP	R/R	6-0	195	Sr./Jr.			
43	Forsythe, Lane	IF	R/R	5-10	170	Fr./Fr.			
42	Foxhall, Scott	Ass	istant Co	ach					
27	Fristoe, Jackson	RHP	R/R	6-4	210	Fr./Fr.			
44	Garner, Kace	C	R/R	6-1	195	Jr./So.			
21	Gautreau, Jake	Ass	istant Co	ach					
49	Grantham, Corbin	OF	R/R	5-10	185	Fr./Fr.			
20	Hancock, Luke	C	L/R	5-11	195	Jr./So.			
48	Harding, Houston	LHP	L/L	6-1	230	Sr./Jr.			
10	Hatcher, Josh	IF/OF	L/L	6-2	200	Sr./Jr.			
2	Hunt, KC	RHP	L/R	6-3	200	So./Fr.			
6	James, Kamren	IF	R/R	6-2	205	So./Fr.			
35	Johnson, Preston	RHP	R/R	6-4	250	Jr./So.			
9	Jordan, Landon	IF	L/R	6-0	195	Jr./So.			
4	Jordan, Rowdey	OF	S/R	5-10	190	Sr./Jr.			
29	Koestler, Carlisle	RHP	R/R	5-11	190	Gr./Sr.			
31	Leggett, Tanner	IF	R/R	5-10	155	Sr./Jr.			
22	Lemonis, Chris	Н	lead Coac	h					
34	Lewis, Shane	IF	S/R	6-0	200	Fr./Fr.			
26	Lovett, Xavier	RHP	R/R	5-11	185	So./Fr.			
28	MacLeod, Christian	LHP	L/L	6-4	220	Jr./Fr.			
25	McDonald, Kyte	OF	R/R	5-10	180	So./Fr.			
8	McGowan, Drew	OF	L/R	6-1	180	So./Fr.			
12	Meche, Davis	IF	L/R	5-10	165	Fr./Fr.			
18	Patrick, Chase	RHP	R/R	5-9	170	Sr./Jr.			
50	Pimentel, Brandon	IF/OF	L/L	6-3	220	Jr./So.			
55	Price, Spencer	RHP	R/R	6-2	235	Gr./Sr.			
46	Reed, Austin	0F	R/R	6-0	190	Fr./Fr.			
13	Rokose, Davis	LHP	L/L	6-0	205	So./Fr.			
14	Self, Riley	RHP	R/R	6-4	230	Gr./Sr.			
30	Shemper, Jared	LHP	R/L	6-0	205	Sr./Jr.			
17	Simmons, Stone	RHP	R/R	6-4	235	So./Fr.			
23	Sims, Landon	RHP	R/R	6-2	235	So./Fr.			
36	Skinner, Brayland	0F	L/L	5-10	175	Sr./So.			
7	Smith, Brandon	RHP	R/R	6-3	220	Jr./So.			
15	Smith, Cade	RHP	L/R	6-1	190	Fr./Fr.			
32	Stinnett, Parker	RHP	R/R	6-1	190	Jr./So.			
47	Talley, Drew	RHP	R/R	6-3	220	Sr./Jr.			
19	Tanner, Logan	C	R/R	6-0	230	So./Fr.			
39	Tepper, Mikey	RHP	L/R	6-0	210	Fr./Fr.			
45	Tullar, Cameron	LHP	R/L	6-1	215	Jr./So.			

Pronunciation Guide

Dylan Carmouche	car-M00-sh
Eric Cerantola	Sare-an-TOE-la
Scotty Dubrule	Duh-bruul
Jaxen Forrester	Jackson Forest-er
Jake Gautreau	Go-TRO (long o)
Rowdey Jordan	Rouw-D
Carlisle Koestler	Car-lie-ul Kess-lur
Chris Lemonis	Luh-MOE-niss
Xavier Lovett	Pronounce the X
Christian MacLeod	Mc-CLOUD
Davis Meche	Mesh
Brandon Pimentel	Pim-in-tell
Davis Rokose	Row-cohs
Mikey Tepper	Mike-EE
Cameron Tullar	TUH-lur

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Pos.	Name	Elg.	B/T	Ht./Wt.	Avg.	R	Н	RBI	Notes
C	Luke Hancock	So.	L/R	5-11/195	.290	9	20	17	
				Appeared in 3	35 career go	ames v	vith 20) starts,	; Career on-base percentage is .425 in 88 plate appearances
or	Logan Tanner	Fr. (2Y)	R/R	6-0/230	.257	6	9	4	
					First colleg	iate hi	t was	a home	run; Owns a three-game hitting streak entering the season
1B	Josh Hatcher	Jr.	L/L	6-2/195	.287	50	98	46	
	Appeared in 109 career games with 88 starts; Started all 16 games at first base in 20								
2B	Scotty Dubrule	Gr.	L/R	5-10/175	.323	138	249	115	
	NCA	A active ca	reer le	ader in games	played (19	7), hit	s (249 _,) and a	t-bats (770); Graduate transfer from Jacksonville University
SS	Kamren James	Fr. (2Y)	R/R	6-2/205	.308	3	16	12	
		Or	ne of se	even SEC freshm	nan to end 2	2020 w	rith a	300 bat	ting average; Posted at least one hit in 12 of 15 games played
3B	TBA								
LF	Brandon Pimentel	So.	R/R	6-3/220	.133	1	2	1	
	Lone home run was d	a go-ahead	l blast	against Orego	n State in t	he seri	es ope	ner; Dr	ove in eventual game-winning run versus Texas Tech (3/10)
CF	Rowdey Jordan	Jr.	S/R	5-10/190	.316	13	18	6	
		En	ters 20)21 with an act	tive 10-gan	ne read	ched b	ase stre	eak; Reached base multiple times in 10 of 16 games in 2020
RF	Tanner Allen	Jr.	L/R	5-11/190	.315	104	181	116	
	Missed	eight gan	es in 2	2020 due to inj	ury; Appea	red in	143 ca	reer ga	mes (142 starts); 62 of 181 hits are for extra bases (34.2%)
DH	TBA								

Pitching Potables

* - Game started



28 | Christian MacLeod | Fr. (3Y) | LHP

W-L ERA BAA IP

SO/BB

Quick Stats

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37 | Eric Cerantola | So. | RHP

2020	4-0	0.86	.127	21.0	35/6		
Career	4-0	0.86	.127	21.0	35/6		
Last Three Appearances							
2/22/20 5.0 IP, 5	W, 7-4						
2/29/2 5.0 IP, 1	W, 9-0						
3/6/20 6.0 IP, 2	H, 0 R,		nipiac * 2 K (Wi	n)	W, 5-1		

24 Will Bednar Fr. (2Y) RHP			
Ouick Stats			

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SO/BB

23/6

Career	0-0	1.76	.161	15.1	23/6		
Last Three Appearances							
2/29/20 4.0 IP, 3	-	ong Be <i>0 ER, 0</i>			W, 9-0		
3/7/20 5.1 IP, 2	H, 1 R,		nipiac * BB, 8 K		W, 5-4		

W-L ERA BAA

2020 0-0 1.76 .161 15.1

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Quick	Stats				
	W-L	ERA	BAA	IP	SO/BB
2020	1-1	3.18	.262	17.0	22/11
					43/22
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Last Three Appearances					
2/23/20 5.0 IP, 3 H, 2 R,	Oregon State * 1 ER, 5 BB, 6 K (ND)	L, 2-7			
	ong Beach State * . 2 ER, 2 BB, 4 K (Loss)	L, 2-6			
3/8/20 3.0 IP, 4 H, 3 R,	Quinnipiac * 3 ER, 1 BB, 4 K (ND)	W, 8-4			

Career Situational Statistics

Runners On Base (H-AB)							
Name	2018	2019	2020	2021	Total	Avg.	
Allen, Tanner	48-143	55-152	5-16		108-311	0.347	
Cumbest, Brad		11-28	1-8		12-36	0.333	
Hancock, Luke		8-18	3-11		11-29	0.379	
Hatcher, Josh	19-92	20-56	6-28		45-176	0.256	
James, Kamren			10-29		10-29	0.345	
Jordan, Landon		5-19	4-18		9-37	0.243	
Jordan, Rowdey	34-102	44-142	7-21		85-265	0.321	
Leggett, Tanner			1-7		1-7	0.143	
McGowan, Drew			0-4		0-4	0.000	
Pimentel, Brandon			8-30		8-30	0.267	
Tanner, Logan			5-23		5-23	0.217	
TOTAL					294-947	.310	

Runners in Scoring Position (H-AB)						
Name	2018	2019	2020	2021	Total	Avg.
Allen, Tanner	26-92	36-101	3-9		65-202	.322
Cumbest, Brad		6-17	0-4		6-21	.286
Hancock, Luke		9-25	2-6		11-31	.355
Hatcher, Josh	9-52	15-34	3-17		27-103	.262
James, Kamren			7-16		7-16	.438
Jordan, Landon		9-32	1-12		10-44	.227
Jordan, Rowdey	17-57	28-82	5-13		50-152	.329
Leggett, Tanner			0-3		0-3	.000
McGowan, Drew			0-1		0-1	.000
Pimentel, Brandon			5-16		5-16	.313
Tanner, Logan			3-15		3-15	.200
TOTAL					184-604	.305

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Series Notes

- Mississippi State has faced nine of the 10 teams in the current alignment of the Big 12, with TCU the only opponent not on the current docket.
- Overall, MSU is 23-18-1 all-time against the current alignment of the Big 12.
- The last time Mississippi State played Texas came at the College World Series in 1985. Overall, Texas leads the all-time ledger 5-4.
- Five of the nine meetings with Texas have happened in the postseason, with two of those coming at the College World Series (1979,1985) and the other three at the 1983 Central Regionals.
- MSU and Texas Tech will meet for the third straight season, with Mississippi State winning each of the three games played during the 2019 and 2020 season.
- Overall, MSU is 4-3 all-time against Texas Tech.

Series History

Texas (UT leads 5-4)						
4/26/1922	Starkville, Miss.	UT, 3-1				
4/27/1922	Starkville, Miss.	MSU, 8-5				
3/25/1925	Austin, Texas	MSU, 8-4				
3/26/1925	Austin, Texas	MSU, 12-8				
6/3/1979	Omaha, Neb.	UT, 8-2				
5/27/1983	Austin, Texas	MSU, 6-2				
5/29/1983	Austin, Texas	UT, 7-0				
5/29/1983	Austin, Texas	UT, 12-3				
6/7/1985	Omaha, Neb.	UT, 12-7				

TCU (First Meeting)

First meeting in program history

Texas Tech (MSU leads 4-3)

6/4/2004	Atlanta, Ga.	TTU, 10-6
6/6/2004	Atlanta, Ga.	TTU, 14-7
2/17/2017	Starkville, Miss.	TTU, 5-2
2/19/2017	Starkville, Miss.	MSU, 8-5
3/2/2019	Frisco, Texas	MSU, 4-2
3/10/2020	Biloxi, Miss.	MSU, 6-3
3/11/2020	Biloxi, Miss.	MSU, 3-2



SEC Update

Standings											
					Western	Division					
	SEC	Pct.	GB	Division	Overall	Pct.	Home	Away	Neutral	L10	Streak
Alabama											W2
Arkansas											W4
Auburn											L2
LSU											W5
Mississippi State											W5
Ole Miss											W16
Texas A&M											W5
					Eastern	Division					
	SEC	Pct.	GB	Division	Overall	Pct.	Home	Away	Neutral	L10	Streak
Florida											L1
Georgia											L2
Kentucky											W6
Missouri											W7
South Carolina											W5
Tennessee											W1
Vanderbilt											W2

Week BA CB D1 BW PG USA RPI Preseason 8 9 7 7 12 7 -

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

(--) - No poll/RPI released by the publication.

Baseball A	meric	a		Collegiate Base	ball	D1Baseball			NCBWA				Perfect Game			USA Today/Coaches					
Florida	-	_	 1.	Florida		 1.	Florida			1.	Florida			1.	Florida			1.	Florida		
UCLA	-	-	 2.	Vanderbilt		 2.	UCLA			2.	UCLA			2.	Louisville			2.	UCLA		
Texas Tech	-	-	 3.	UCLA		 3.	Texas Tech			3.	Vanderbilt			3.	Texas Tech			3.	Vanderbilt		
Ole Miss	-	-	 4.	Texas Tech		 4.	Vanderbilt			4.	Texas Tech			4.	UCLA			4.	Texas Tech		
Virginia	-	_	 5.	Ole Miss		 5.	Louisville			5.	Ole Miss	_		5.	Ole Miss			5.	Ole Miss		
Vanderbilt	-	-	 6.	Miami (Fla.)		 6.	Ole Miss	_		6.	Louisville			6.	Vanderbilt			6.	Louisville		
Louisville	-	-	 7.	LSU		 7.	Mississippi State			7.	Mississippi State			7.	Miami (Fla.)			7.	Mississippi State		
Mississippi St	ate -	_	 8.	UC Santa Barbara		 8.	Arkansas	_		8.	Arkansas	_		8.	LSU			8.	Arkansas		
Florida State	-	-	 9.	Mississippi State		 9.	Texas			9.	Texas			9.	Virginia			9.	LSU		
LSU		-	 10.	Arizona		 10.	TCU	_		10.	Miami (Fla.)			10.	2			10.	Texas		
Miami (Fla.)	-	-	 11.	Louisville		 11.	UC Santa Barbara				NC State			11.	Arizona			11.	TCU		
Texas	-	-	 12.	Georgia		 12.	LSU				TCU			12.	Mississippi State			12.	NC State		
TCU	-	-	 13.	NC State		 13.	NC State			13.	LSU	_		13.	East Carolina			13.	UC Santa Barbara		
Arkansas	-	-	 14.	Virginia		 14.	West Virginia			14.	UC Santa Barbara			14.	Indiana			14.	Virginia		
Arizona	-	-	 15.	Arizona State		 15.	Georgia Tech			15.	Virginia			15.	Arizona State			15.	Miami (Fla.)		
Duke	-	-	 16.	East Carolina			Virginia				Florida State			16.	NC State			16.	Tennessee		
NC State	-	-	 17.	Oklahoma State		 17.	Wake Forest			17.	Arizona			17.	Auburn			17.	Georgia Tech		
South Caroli	ıa -	-	 18.	Michigan		 18.	South Carolina			18.	Georgia Tech			18.	Michigan			18.	Oklahoma State		
Tennessee	-	-	 19.	TCU		 19.	Tennessee			19.	East Carolina			19.	Georgia Tech			19.	Arizona		
Michigan	-	-	 20.	Texas		 20.	Oklahoma State			20.	Tennessee				Arkansas			20.	South Carolina		
UC Santa Barb	ara -	-	 21.	South Carolina		 21.	Miami (Fla.)			21.	West Virginia			21.	Florida State			21.	Florida State		
Georgia Tech	-	-	 22.	Arkansas		 22.	Arizona			22.	Oklahoma			22.	Texas			22.	West Virginia		
Oklahoma	-	-	 23.	Coastal Carolina		 23.	Auburn			23.	South Carolina			23.	Ohio State			23.	East Carolina		
UCF	-	-	 24.	Dallas Baptist		 24.	Florida State			24.	Georgia			24.	Georgia			24.	Georgia		
Alabama	-	-	 25.	Clemson		 25.	East Carolina			25.	Auburn			25.	UCF			25.	Wake Forest		
			26.	Texas A&M						26.	Oklahoma State										
			27.	Alabama						27.	Duke										
			28.	Florida State						28.	UCF										
			29.	Southern Miss							Arizona State										
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Head Coach | Myrtle Beach, S.C. Third Season at Mississippi State (Seventh Overall)





After arguably the most successful first year by a Southeastern Conference head baseball coach in conference history, Chris Lemonis begins his third season as the leader of the Mississippi State baseball program.

The 18th head coach in the storied history of the program, a journey of nearly 40 years came full circle when he was introduced on June 25, 2018 on Adkerson Plaza inside Dudy Noble Field. The son of a 1973 State graduate, Lemonis resided in Starkville as a child and now leads one of the perennial powerhouses in college baseball.

In his first season at the helm of the Diamond Dawgs, Lemonis became the winningest first-year head coach in SEC history and in the process led the 2019 edition to the second-most victories in program history at 52 (54; 1989). The 40 victories over MSU's first 50 games marked the third-most in the first 50 games of a season in program history and set the tone for State's second straight trip to the College World Series.

Lemonis became one of just three SEC head coaches to advance to the College World Series in their inaugural season in the conference, joining Jake Gibbs (Ole Miss, 1972) and fellow Diamond Dawg skipper Pat McMahon (Mississippi State, 1998).

Over his first two seasons, five Diamond Dawgs earned All-America honors and a trio of pitchers have garnered national specialty awards. Left-handed pitcher Ethan Small was tabbed the 2019 National Pitcher of the Year (College Baseball Foundation; American Baseball Coaches Association), while right-handed pitcher JT Ginn (2019) and left-handed pitcher Christian MacLeod (2020) earned back-to-back National Freshman of the Year honors. Ginn and Small each earned specialty awards from the SEC, as well, grabbing the conference's Freshman and Pitcher of the Year, respectively, in 2019.

After a school-record-tying 11 Diamond Dawgs heard their names called in the 2019 Major League Baseball First Year Player Draft, State tied for the most players drafted in the first two rounds of the 2020 MLB event. Small became the 15th Diamond Dawg taken in the first round of the MLB Draft in 2019, while Justin Foscue and Jordan Westburg each went in the first round of the 2020 event.

Owning a head coaching record of 205-110-2, Lemonis was also a part of nearly 800 wins as an assistant coach and three trips to the College World Series. 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 (784 wins), bolstered by a 44.9 wins-per-season average at Louisville. The Cardinals were college baseball's winningest program during that eight-year span and made the program's first three trips to Omaha.

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

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 McDonald'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 to take his first head coaching job with the Hoosier program in 2015.

In each of his head coaching stops, Lemonis has led his team to the NCAA postseason in his first season at the helm. He helped the Hoosiers into the NCAA Tournament field during his initial season in Bloomington, before he guided Mississippi State to the College World Series in 2019 — his first season in Starkville.

Overall, Lemonis enters his 27th season as a collegiate coach in 2021, making one College World Series appearance as a head coach, taking three trips to Omaha as an assistant, earning 16 NCAA tournament berths and aiding in four 50-win seasons. His pupils have earned 30 All-America honors, 15 Freshman All-America laurels and 82 have signed professional baseball contracts, with 17 getting the call up to Major League Baseball.

RECRUITING AND DEVELOPMENT

Widely regarded as one of the elite recruiters and developers of talent in all of college baseball, a total of 95 student-athletes have been selected in the Major League Baseball Draft under Lemonis' watch, with 17 of those reaching the highest level of professional baseball.

Since arriving at Louisville for the 2006-07 academic year, Lemonis has been a part of 13 nationally-ranked recruiting classes, including his first three classes at Mississippi State. His initial Diamond Dawgs recruiting class was tabbed as the No. 12 class nationally by Baseball America and Perfect Game, while it earned the No. 9 ranking from Collegiate Baseball Newspaper. In 2019, he and his staff brought in another top-10 ranked class, finishing as high as No. 6 by Baseball America.

Over his first two seasons in Starkville, Lemonis has tutored 14 picks in the MLB First Year Player Draft, including three first rounders and one second rounder. Sixteen of Lemonis' Indiana players were taken in the MLB Draft in his final four years in Bloomington and 14 signed professional contracts. He also recruited and coached nine of the Hoosier's school-record 10 MLB Draft choices in 2019.

From 2007-14, Lemonis saw seven-straight classes ranked among the top-30 nationally, including the No. 12 national class for the 2011 recruiting cycle. In 2017, Baseball America revisited the Cardinals' 2013 class, re-ranking it No. 2 in the nation after the on-field success under Lemonis' watch. In 2018, the publication tabbed an un-ranked 2014 recruiting class — which included 2015 National Freshman of the Year and 2017 Golden Spikes Award winner Brendan McKay — as the No. 1 class in the publication's re-rankings.

Lemonis mentored and or recruited 47 student-athletes that signed professional contracts after being selected in the MLB Draft during his eight years as the top assistant and recruiting coordinator at Louisville, including a school-record 10 selections in the 2010 MLB Draft. He helped produce 10 first or second round draft choices over a seven-year span.

To date, 15 Cardinals who were recruited by and played for Lemonis have gone on to reach the big leagues. Those players include Nick Burdi, Adam Duvall, Chris Dominguez, Cody Ege, Adam Engel, Chad Green, Dean Kiekhefer, Matt Koch, Trystan Magnuson, Justin Marks, Kyle McGrath, Brendan McKay, B.J. Rosenberg, Nick Solak and Tony Zych. Over \$28 million in signing bonuses were accrued by Lemonis' Louisville draftees.

MISSISSIPPI STATE

Inheriting a team that is coming off of a trip to the College World Series doesn't always translate into immediate success, but Lemonis was able to build off of that momentum as he began writing his chapter in Mississippi State history.

The 2020 squad was off to a 12-4 start with two wins each over Oregon State and No. 2 Texas Tech, before the season was shut down due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Though many publications didn't hand out postseason honors, Collegiate Baseball Newspaper tabbed left-handed pitcher Christian MacLeod the Co-National Freshman of the Year after he started his career 4-0 with a 0.86 ERA in four starts.

Along with the second-most single-season victories (52) during the 2019 season, his team also posted the second-best 20-, 30- and 40-game starts (18-2, 25-5, 32-8) in program history. He joined Pat McMahon as the only two Diamond Dawg dugout bosses to lead the program to the College World Series in their initial campaign and his 52 wins were the most by a first-year SEC head coach in the conference's history.

Hometown:	Myrtle Beach, S.C.
Wife:	Jill
Children:	Marissa & Mackenzie
College:	The Citadel, 1992
Coaching Career	
2019-	Mississippi State Head Coach
2015-18	Indiana Head Coach
2007-14	Louisville Assistant Coach
2003-06	The Citadel Associate Head Coach
1995-2002	The Citadel Assistant Coach

As a Hea	ıd Coach		* - NCAA postseason canceled
	School	Record	Postseason
2020 *	Mississippi State	12-4	
2019	Mississippi State	52-15	College World Series
2018	Indiana	40-19	NCAA Regional
2017	Indiana	34-24-2	NCAA Regional
2016	Indiana	32-24	
2015	Indiana	35-24	NCAA Regional
Totals	Six Seasons	205-110-2	4 NCAA Regionals
		1 Super Regi	onal, 1 College World Series

As an As	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 Regional
2009	Louisville	47-18	NCAA Super Regional
2008	Louisville	41-21	NCAA Regional
2007	Louisville	47-24	College World Series
2006	The Citadel	34-27	
2005	The Citadel	25-34	
2004	The Citadel	39-28	NCAA Regional
2003	The Citadel	32-25	
2002	The Citadel	31-26	
2001	The Citadel	38-24	NCAA Regional
2000	The Citadel	39-20	
1999	The Citadel	41-20	NCAA Regional
1998	The Citadel	37-24	NCAA Regional
1997	The Citadel	37-21	
1996	The Citadel	33-26	
1995	The Citadel	39-21	NCAA Regional
Totals	20 Seasons	784-455	15 NCAA Regionals
	Four NCAA S	Juner Regionals, Th	ree College World Series





State saw four student-athletes earn first-team All-SEC, tying for the fourth-most selections in a single season in program history behind the five selections in 1949, 1971 and 1977. Left-handed pitcher Ethan Small posted one of the most dominant seasons on the mound in program history, leading the nation in strikeouts and earning National and Southeastern Conference Pitcher of the Year honors. Right-handed pitcher JT Ginn was tabbed National Freshman of the Year and Southeastern Conference Freshman of the Year.

Along with Small, Tanner Allen, Justin Foscue and Jake Mangum each earned top honors from the SEC, and Foscue, Mangum and Small each grabbed at least one first-team All-America honor. Small became Mississippi State's seventh unanimous first-team All-American, joining Jeff Brantley (1985) and Chris Stratton (2012) as the only pitchers to accomplish the feat.

On the team side of things, State's offense led the nation in doubles to mark the first time in program history the Diamond Dawgs led the NCAA in an offensive or pitching category. The 166 doubles set a school record and rank No. 4 all-time in SEC history.

INDIANA

Lemonis left a strong legacy at Indiana as he tied for the most NCAA postseason appearances by a head coach in school history and owns three of the eight all-time NCAA Tournament appearances. The Hoosiers were the only Big Ten program to appear in three NCAA Regionals during his four-year span in the conference and one of two to make back-to-back appearances from 2015-18. He became the first coach in program history to earn three NCAA regional berths in his first four years, finishing with a 141-91-2 overall record.

During his time leading the Cream and Crimson, 41 student-athletes earned Academic All-Big Ten honors, 25 were selected All-Big Ten and 14 signed professional contracts. His 2018 squad not only advanced to the NCAA Tournament, but produced a program-record 16 Academic All-Big Ten performers and three first-team All-Big Ten honorees.

The 2018 campaign saw Lemonis' squad compile a 40-19 record and earn an at-large berth as the No. 2 seed in the NCAA Austin Regional. The Hoosiers reached the regional title game after defeating Texas Southern and eliminating No. 25 Texas A&M. Indiana fell to eventual College World Series participant Texas, with a trio of Hoosiers earning all-regional honors. Eight IU student-athletes earned All-Big Ten honors — including three first teamers — representing the program's most since 2004.

The Hoosiers were among the Big Ten leaders in several categories in 2018, ranking first in earned run average (3.09), slugging percentage (.448), home runs (68) and total bases (905), second in batting average (.284) and third in runs scored (360). That season, IU was ranked by at least one of the major publications for 15 of the 16 weeks of the regular season, including nine-straight weeks in the top 15. Four Hoosiers were selected in the MLB Draft following just the eighth 40-win season in program history.

A season prior, the Hoosiers produced a 34-24-2 record and earned the No. 2 seed at the 2017 NCAA Lexington Regional. With the postseason appearance, Lemonis became the first coach in program history to make two regionals in his first three seasons as IU's skipper. Indiana finished as the highest rated RPI team in the Big Ten (34th), while seven Hoosiers garnered All-Big Ten honors.

In year two at the helm in 2016, Lemonis' club posted a 32-24 overall record and a 15-9 mark in Big Ten play. On a national level, the Hoosier pitching staff finished second in walks allowed per nine innings (2.31), fifth in WHIP (1.15) and strikeout-to-walk ratio (3.17), 11th in team ERA (3.09) and 25th in hits allowed per nine innings (8.02). Three IU student-athletes were tabbed All-Big Ten, including first-team selection Kyle Hart. The trio of Ryan Fineman, Luke Miller and Scotty Bradley each brought home all-freshman honors from the conference.

During Lemonis' debut season of 2015, Indiana won 12 of its last 17 games — nine coming against RPI top 50 teams — and earned an at-large berth into the NCAA Nashville Regional. Three Hoosiers earned a spot on the NCAA Regional all-tournament team, while two were tabbed All-Big Ten and a pair were selected to the Big Ten All-Freshman Team. Lemonis' squad owned a 12-5 mark vs. ranked opponents in 2015, including five top-15 wins.

An advocate of playing the game the right way, Lemonis' teams hold three out of the four highest single-season fielding percentages in Indiana history, including a school record mark of .979 in 2017.

LOUISVILLE

As an assistant coach, Lemonis' imprint in elevating the Louisville program to new heights was evident. The former Cardinals' recruiting coordinator aided Louisville to three College World Series appearances (2007, 13, 14) and a 359-159 (.693) record during his eight seasons there.

Louisville was college baseball's winningest program during the eight-year span that Lemonis was on staff, including back-to-back 50-win seasons in 2013 and 2014. Following the program's first trip to the College World Series in 2013, Lemonis was named the ABCA/Baseball America Assistant Coach of the Year.

Lemonis helped the Cardinals produce 18 All-Americans, 61 all-conference selections, a trio of conference player of the year award winners, two conference newcomer of the year honorees and the first national "of the year" award winner in the program's history. Louisville won four BIG EAST championships in the school's final five years in the conference, and he saw U of L set the school record for wins in a season three different times, including a then-program-best 51 victories during the 2013 season.

Louisville became a hot bed for professional talent during Lemonis' time in the Derby City, as 40 Cardinals were selected in the MLB Draft from 2007-14 and another seven inked free agent contracts with professional teams. Of those, 15 have made it to the big leagues, including three from the 2013 College World Series team.

From 2007-2014, Louisville accomplished many program firsts on its way to becoming a perennial Omaha contender. Fourteen different Cardinals produced 43 different All-America honors, including first-team All-Americans Nick Burdi (2013 & 2014), Chris Dominguez (2009), Kyle Funkhouser (2014) and Neil Holland (2010). Dominguez and Funkhouser led a crop of nine student-athletes to earn Freshman All-America accolades under Lemonis.

Dominguez claimed the 2008 (co) and 2009 BIG EAST Player of the Year award, marking just the second time in conference history a student-athlete won back-to-back Player of the Year awards (Steve Stanley, Notre Dame; 2001-02). Burdi won the first-ever national "of the year" award when he was tabbed the nation's top closer and winner of the 2014 National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association Stopper of the Year

Along with Dominguez, Jeff Gardner claimed the 2014 American Athletic Conference Player of the Year award, while Justin Marks (2007) and Jared Ruxer (2012) each earned BIG EAST Freshman of the Year awards. Thirty-eight different Louisville student-athletes totaled 61 all-conference honors, including a school-record 10 selections to the All-BIG EAST squads in 2012 and 2013. The 2010 (BIG EAST) and 2014 (AAC) squads each totaled a then-school-standard four first-team all-conference selections.

The accolades for Lemonis' pupils weren't limited to the regular season, as 27 Cardinals earned a total of 29 NCAA All-Region honors. The quartet of Dominguez (2007), Justin Marks (2009), Coco Johnson (2013) and Cole Sturgeon (2014) all claimed NCAA Regional MVP honors, with the 2009 squad grabbing a programbest five all-regional honors. On the conference level, Louisville saw 16 total all-tournament honors earned by 13 different Cards.

THE CITADEL

Lemonis arrived at The Citadel as a student-athlete, transitioned into an assistant coaching role and ultimately moved his way up to associate head coach before finishing his 17-year journey on the Charleston, South Carolina campus.

During his time at The Military College of South Carolina — one of the six United State senior military colleges — the Bulldogs made six of their 13 all-time appearances in the NCAA Tournament and made the program's only appearance at the College World Series. The 1990 team is one of just three Southern Conference programs (Duke, Wake Forest) and the only active member to make it to Omaha.

Lemonis' coaching tenure spanned 12 seasons (1995-2006), included seven All-Americans and two Freshman All-Americans, saw 17 student-athletes selected in the Major League Baseball Draft and ushered in 35 offensive school records. Two of his Bulldog pupils reached the big leagues — Britt Reames and Dallas McPherson — while Philip Hartig finished his career ranked No. 7 on the NCAA's career hits chart (360; 1998-2001), with his total now No. 10 all-time in NCAA history.

He was twice tabbed All-Southern Conference during his time as a student-athlete (1989-93) and led the team in home runs on three occasions, after redshirting as a freshman and appearing in just nine games his second year on campus. Following that, Lemonis started 162 games over his final three seasons and led the Bulldogs with a .367 average, 19 doubles, 52 runs, 10 home runs and 66 RBI as senior.

A member of the 1993 All-Southern Conference Tournament team, Lemonis still ranks in the top 15 all-time at The Citadel in RBIs (152), home runs (23) and slugging percentage (.538).

PERSONAI

Lemonis and his wife, the former Jill MacEldowney, have two daughters, Marissa and Makenzie. The Myrtle Beach, South Carolina native earned his Bachelor of Science in physical education from The Citadel in 1992 and received his Master of Arts in sport management in 1994.

He is also no stranger to Starkville, as he resided on campus as a newborn during his father's time as a student at State. His father, Thomas, was a 1973 Mississippi State graduate with a degree in electrical engineering.





Dudy Noble Field

Biography

The largest on-campus facility in college baseball, Dudy Noble Field hosted its 54th season of Mississippi State baseball at the current site in 2020. With over 1,600 games played at the venue, the Diamond Dawgs own a .730 winning percentage at the facility, which recently received a \$68-million upgrade.

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, Mississispipi.

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 for 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 campaign. 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 (2017-19) 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, ten of the last 12 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 6,720,459 fans rush through the gates.

In 20 of the last 21 seasons, Mississippi State has averaged 6,000 fans per game, including a record average of 8,899 during the 2019 campaign. Overall, State has eclipsed the 200,000-fan mark 12 times since 2002, with a school-record 373,784 viewing the 2019 home schedule.

Of the top 25 all-time college baseball on-campus attendances, Dudy Noble Field finds itself on the list 19 times, most notably owning the all-time on-campus attendance record of 15,586 on April 12, 2014. The Bulldogs own 15 of the top 16 marks in NCAA on-campus history and are the only NCAA baseball program to boast on-campus attendances of 14,000 or more. The five largest NCAA Super Regional crowds have all assembled in Starkville, Mississippi, as well.

From April 11-13, 2014, 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 61 times, including 2007 NCAA Super Regional-record draws of 13,715 and 12,620 for nationally-televised, late-morning games against Clemson. In 2019, the first season of the "New Dude," the Diamond Dawgs garnered crowds of 10,000-plus a school-record 10 times.

Mississippi State has hosted 25 postseason events at the facility, including three NCAA District III Tournaments (1973-75), five SEC tournaments (1979, 81, 83, 88 & 95), 15 NCAA Regionals (1979, 84-85, 87-89, 90, 92, 97, 2000, 03, 13, 16 & 19) and three NCAA Super Regionals (2007, 16 & 19).

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 tailgate.

Once a colorful assortment of pickup trucks, motor homes, and trailers — most equipped with 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 farned 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 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 entrand and Hassell H. Franklin Omaha Room greeting players as they enter the facility. The Pat McMahon 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.	13,132 ^	Stanford	June 8, 2019
13.	13,123	Ole Miss	April 15, 2000
14.	13,004	Florida	April 18, 2015
15.	12,913 ^	Arizona	June 10, 2016
16.	12,708	Auburn	April 24, 1993
17.	12,620 ^	Clemson	June 8, 2007
18.	12,360	Georgia	April 6, 2002
19.	12,343	Auburn	March 23, 2019
20.	12,034	Oregon State	February 22, 2020
21.	11,763	Auburn	April 12, 2003
22.	11,648	LSU	March 30, 2019
23.	11,597 ^	Stanford	June 9, 2019
24.	11,515	Ole Miss	April 2, 2016
25.	11,511	Central Michigan	June 1, 2019

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

NOTE: Mississippi State owns 61 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.



Mississippi State Wh	en		
AII	2019	2020	2021
Overall vs. Top-5 Teams	52-15 <i>7-4</i>	12-4 2-0	
vs. Top-10 Teams	5-6	2-0	
vs. Top-25 Teams	16-13	2-0	
Non-Conference SEC	32-5	12-4	
SEC East	20-10 <i>9</i> -3		
SEC West	11-7		
At Home	37-5	9-2	
On the Road	10-6	1-2	
At Neutral Sites	5-4	2-0	
In Day Games	25-7	10-3	
In Night Games	27-8	2-1	
vs. Teams .500 Or Better vs. Teams Worse Than .500	37-13 15-0	3-2 9-2	
vs. Left-Handed Starter	17-3	5-1	
vs. Right-Handed Starter	35-12	7-3	
When Starter Receives Decision	30-11	6-3	
When Reliever Receives Decision	22-4	6-1	
When Starter Goes 5+ Innings	31-10	7-3	
When Starter Goes < 5 Innings	21-5	5-1	
When Scoring First	30-5	10-2	
When Opponent Scores First	22-10	2-2	
When Leading After 6 Innings	41-2 5-12	9-0	
When Trailing After 6 Innings When Tied After 6 Innings	5-12 6-1	2-3 1-1	
When Leading After 8 Innings	47-1	11-0	
When Trailing After 8 Innings	1-11	1-4	
When Tied After 8 Innings	3-1		
In One-Run Games	11-6	2-0	
In Two-Run Games	5-3		
In 5+ Run Games	27-5	1-1	
Weekend Series W-L-T Series Sweeps/Times Swept	11-2-0 5/1	3-1-0 2/0	
When Scoring 0-2 Runs	1-8	0-3	
When Scoring 3-5 Runs	11-6	4-1	
When Scoring 6-9 Runs	21-1	8-0	
When Scoring 10+ Runs	19-0		
Shutouts/Times Shut Out	5/3	1/1	
In Extra Innings	2-1		
When Opponent Scores 4 Runs Or Less	36-6	11-0	
When Opponent Scores 5 Runs Or More		1-4	
When Out-Hitting Opponent When Out-Hit by Opponent	45-4 4-8	11-1 1-3	
When Hits Are Equal	3-3		
When Hitting A Home Run	34-5	8-1	
When Opponent Hits A Home Run	22-9	3-1	
When Errorless	20-6	6-0	
When Committing One Error	15-5	3-1	
When Committing 2+ Errors	17-4	3-3	
When Opponent is Errorless When Opponent Commits One Error	12-9 13-5	3-3 5-1	
When Opponent Commits 2+ Errors	27-1	4-0	
Game 1 of Weekend	11-3	3-1	
Game 2 of Weekend	10-4	4-0	
Game 3 of Weekend	9-4	2-2	
Monday			
Tuesday	7-0	1-1	
Wednesday Thursday	9-1 2-3	2-0	
Friday	12-5	3-1	
Caturday	12-6	4-0	
Saturday Sunday	10-0	2-2	

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NOTE: Rankings based on Baseball America poll.

H	ow It Was Won						(* - Walk-off hit)
Below	is a chart representing how	the eventua	l game-winning run wa	s record	ded for Mis	sissippi State in 2020. Returning studen	t-athlete in bold.
Gm	Opponent	Final	Player	Inn.	Outs	Play	Score at Time
1.	Wright State	9-6	Justin Foscue	6	1	2RBI double to left field	5-6
2.	Wright State	6-2	Kamren James	1	2	2RBI double to left field	1-0
3.	Wright State	5-1	Justin Foscue	1	1	RBI ground out	1-0
4.	Oregon State	6-2	Brandon Pimentel	8		3-run home run to right field	2-2
5.	Oregon State	7-4	Josh Hatcher	4		Solo home run	4-2
6.	Oregon State	2-7					
7.	Texas Southern	4-8					
8.	Alcorn State	8-4	Luke Hancock	3	1	2RBI single to right field	2-1
9.	at Long Beach State	0-4					
10.	at Long Beach State	9-0	Tanner Allen	6		2RBI triple to right-center field	0-0
11.	at Long Beach State	2-6					
12.	Quinnipiac	5-1	Josh Hatcher	4	1	2-run home run to right field	0-0
13.	Quinnipiac	5-4	Josh Hatcher*	9	1	RBI infield single	4-4
14.	Quinnipiac	8-4	Jordan Westburg	4	1	2RBI double to left-center field	4-3
15.	vs. Texas Tech	6-3	Brandon Pimentel	6	1	RBI single to right-center field	3-2
16.	vs. Texas Tech	3-2	Luke Hancock	7	2	RBI double down left-field line	3-1

Career Gan	ne-Winnin	g Plays									
	2018	2019	2020	wo	Total	I	2018	2019	2020	wo	Total
Tanner Allen	5	9	1	1	15	Kamren James			1		1
Brad Cumbest		1			1	Rowdey Jordan	1	5			6
Luke Hancock			2		2	Brandon Pimentel			2		2
Josh Hatcher	1	3	3	1	7						
						WO = Walk-off game	e-winning _l	olay			

News and Notes

Unique Perspective on 2020

The 2020 season was unique in many ways, as the COVID-19 pandemic brought the sports world to a halt in mid-March. Below are some of the superlatives that the 16-game schedule brought for Mississippi State, with some of the last times for the program.

The last time Mississippi State...

- Played 16 or fewer games in a season: 1954 (9-7)
- Scored fewer than 100 runs in a season: 1974 (99)
- Won 12 or fewer games in a season: 1961 (12-7)
- Didn't play a conference games: 1903
- Along those same lines, the 524 at bats are the fewest by a Diamond Dawg squad in a season since at least 1949.

Top 10 Team

- Mississippi State has finished among the top 10 in the final polls on 16 occasions in program history, including the abbreviated 2020 campaign.
- Of those 16 occurrences, State has posted back-to-back top-10 finished in the final rankings four times; 1970-71, 1984-85, 1989-90 and 1997-98.
- The Maroon and White also finished 2018, 2019 and 2020 among the top 10 teams in the country to mark the first time in program history it ended three straight seasons among the top 10.

Big League Talent

- Mississippi State is great at turning out major league talent, with 61 Diamond Dawgs reaching the highest level of the sport, but it is also great at keeping student-athletes from the draft.
- The 2021 roster featured four Bulldogs that had been drafted prior to the season,

Name (Pos.)	Year	Round	<u>Organization</u>
Tanner Allen (IF/OF)	2017	36th	Chicago Cubs
	2019	34th	Colorado Rockies
Eric Cerantola (LHP)	2018	30th	Tampa Bay Rays
Josh Hatcher (IF/OF)	2017	39th	Los Angeles Angels

- The 2020 MLB Draft saw three Diamond Dawgs drafted in the first two rounds, with *Justin Foscue* (No. 14; Texas Rangers) and *Jordan Westburg* (No. 30; Baltimore Orioles) each drafted in the first round. *JT Ginn* was taken in the second round by the New York Mets
- In 2019, Mississippi State saw a program-record 11 studentathletes drafted in the MLB First Year Player Draft, including junior Tanner Allen for the second time in his career.

Opening Against The Ranks

- Mississippi State will open the season against a top 15
 opponent for the first time since 2017 and face the highestranked season-opening opponent since 2001, based on the
 Baseball America top 25 poll.
- It is the ninth time since 1990 that MSU has played a ranked opponent on opening weekend, with seven season opening games coming against ranked foes during the 31-year span.
- The last time Mississippi State opened the season against a top 15 team was the 2001 season at home against No. 9 Notre Dame.

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No. 14 Texas Tech Western Illinois Western Illinois No. 14 Texas Tech	L, 2-5 W, 8-2 W, 10-9 (11) W, 8-5
2002 UAB No. 20 Ohio State No. 20 Ohio State	Starkville, Miss. W, 4-2 L, 2-9 T, 6-6 (8)
2001 No. 9 Notre Dame No. 9 Notre Dame	Starkville, Miss. L, 5-7 L, 2-4 (11)
1996 vs. New Orleans vs. Tulane vs. No. 1 LSU	New Orleans, La. L, 12-13 L, 3-10 L, 4-8
1993 vs. No. 1 LSU vs. No. 21 Tulane vs. New Orleans	New Orleans, La. W, 7-4 W, 5-1 W, 9-3
vs. No. 24 Texas A& at Minnesota vs. No. 4 Florida St	W, 8-4
1991 vs. No. 18 LSU vs. New Orleans vs. Tulane	New Orleans, La. L, 6-7 W, 5-1 W, 9-3
1990 at No. 8 LSU vs. Georgia	Baton Rouge, La. L, 4-6 W, 14-3

New Kids on the Bump

- In 2020, the freshman trio of Will Bednar, Christian MacLeod and Landon Sims piled up 81 strikeouts in 49 1/3 innings of work.
- The 81 strikeouts were the most by a trio of freshmen in the NCAA in 2020, doing so with just 18 walks.
- MSU's NKOTB combined to post a 5-0 record and one save, while limiting opposing hitters to .134 batting average against (23-for-172).
- Against Quinnipiac, MacLeod (12), Bednar (8) and Sims (6) combined to strike out 26 batters in 14 1/3 innings. MacLeod and Sims each collected wins, while Bednar received a no decision in his first collegiate start.

Hitting Totals/Streaks

MULTI-HIT GAMES	2	3	4	5+	2021	Career
Tanner Allen	2					52
Brad Cumbest						3
Luke Hancock	2					4
Josh Hatcher	3	2				28
Kamren James	4					4
Landon Jordan	2					5
Rowdey Jordan	4		1			42
Logan Tanner	2	1				3
TEAM	19	3	1			

MULTI-RBI GAMES	2	3	4	5+	2021	Career
Tanner Allen		1			1	22
Brad Cumbest						2
Luke Hancock	1				1	4
Josh Hatcher	3				3	14
Kamren James	4				4	4
Landon Jordan						3
Rowdey Jordan	1				1	25
Brandon Pimentel	1	1			2	2
TEAM	10	2			12	

HITTING STREAKS	Current	2021 Long	Career
Tanner Allen			14
Brad Cumbest			2
Luke Hancock	1		3
Josh Hatcher	7		7
Kamren James	7		7
Landon Jordan			4
Rowdey Jordan	1		7
Tanner Leggett			1
Brandon Pimentel	2		4
Spencer Price	1		1
Logan Tanner	3		3

REACHED BASED	CURRENT	2020	CAREER
Tanner Allen			26*
Brad Cumbest			4
Luke Hancock	1		12
Josh Hatcher	7		8
Kamren James	7		7
Landon Jordan			6
Rowdey Jordan	10		15 (2x)
Tanner Leggett			2
Drew McGowan			1
Brandon Pimentel	2		4
Spencer Price	1		1
Logan Tanner	3		4

^{* -} Streak spanned the 2019 and 2020 seasons.





State to The Show

Diamond Dawgs Playing in Major League Baseball

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Pos.	Organization
IF	Pittsburgh Pirates
RHP	Seattle Mariners
RHP	New York Yankees
RHP	St. Louis Cardinals
IF	Tampa Bay Rays
IF	San Diego Padres
RF	Boston Red Sox
IF	Minnesota Twins
RHP	Pittsburgh Pirates
LHP	Milwaukee Brewers
	IF RHP RHP RHP IF IF IF RF IF

Diamond Dawgs in Minor League Baseball

Name (Yrs. at MSU)	Pos.	Organization (Level)
Trysten Barlow (2017-19)	LHP	Colorado Rockies ()
Ben Bracewell (2010-14)	RHP	Oakland Athletics (AAA)
Daniel Brown (2015-16)	LHP	Milwaukee Brewers (AA)
Gavin Collins (2014-16)	C	Cleveland Indians (A+)
Justin Foscue (2018-20)	IF ^	Texas Rangers
J.P. France (2018)	RHP	Houston Astros (A+)
Cole Gordon (2016-19)	RHP	New York Mets (A-)
Ryan Gridley (2015-2017)	IF	Oakland Athletics (AA)
Zac Houston (2014-16)	RHP	Detroit Tigers (AAA)
Reid Humphreys (2014-16)	RHP	Colorado Rockies (AA)
Keegan James (2016, 18-19)	RHP	Colorado Rockies (A+)
Jack Kruger (2016)	(^	Los Angeles Angels (AA)
Jared Liebelt (2018-19)	RHP	Arizona Diamondbacks ()
Jacob Lindgren	LHP ^	Chicago White Sox ()
Jake Mangum (2016-19)	OF	New York Mets (A+)
Zach Neff (2018)	LHP	Minnesota Twins (A+)
Konnor Pilkington (2016-18)	LHP	Chicago White Sox (A+)
Peyton Plumlee (2017, 19)	RHP	Houston Astros ()
Jacob Robson (2013-16)	OF	Detroit Tigers (AAA)
Dustin Skelton (2017-19)	C	Miami Marlins ()
Ethan Small (2016, 18-19)	LHP	Milwaukee Brewers (A+)
Hunter Stovall (2016-18)	IF	Colorado Rockies (A+)
Jordan Westburg (2018-20)	IF ^	Baltimore Orioles
Colby White (2019)	RHP	Tampa Bay Rays (A+)

^ - Non-roster invitee to 2021 Spring Training.

Diamond Dawgs Coaching in Professional Baseball

Name (Yrs. at MSU)	Organization	Team (Level)
Chris Maloney (1982-83)	Atlanta Braves	Mississippi (AA)
Chris Young (2000-02)	Philadelphia Phillies	Philadelphia (MLB)

Diamond Dawgs Working in Professional Baseball

Name (Yrs. at MSU)	Organization	Role
Jeff Brantley (1982-85)	Cincinnati Reds	Broadcaster
Will Clark (1983-85)	San Francisco Giants	Special Assistant

Price Nails It Down

- After piling up 14 saves during the 2017 season, senior
 Spencer Price missed 2018 due to injury and didn't collect a save in 2019, before claiming back-to-back saves versus Texas Tech to close out the 2020 campaign.
- There were 1,055 days between saves for Price, who posted his final save of 2017 versus Alabama on April 20 and his next save came on March 10, 2020 against No. 2 Texas Tech.
- He picked up his second save of the season the next night, with another three-out save over the Red Raiders.
- The right-hander didn't allow a run of his own in eight appearances in 2020 and surrendered just one of two inherited runners on the season.
- Price ranks tied for No. 22 on the NCAA's active career charts with his 22 saves.
- With his two saves in 2020, Price moved from No. 10 on the career saves list into a tie for No. 7.

Pla	yer (Seasons)	Saves
1.	Jonathan Holder (2012-13)	37
2.	Van Johnson (1995-98)	29
3.	Scott Tanksley (1993-95)	24
4.	Caleb Reed (2009-12)	21
5.	Pete Young (1987-89)	19
6.	Jay Powell (1991-93)	17
7.	Bryan Hardwick (1979-80, 82)	16
	Cole Gordon (2016-19)	16
	Spencer Price (2017, 19-20)	16
10.	Adam Larson (1999-2001)	15

Reliable Riley

- Senior Riley Self continues to climb the all-time relief appearances chart, ending 2020 at No. 6 on State's all-time list.
- The right-hander has made 79 appearances: 31 as a freshman, 18 as a sophomore, 23 during his junior season and seven in 2020.
- Self owns a 13-2 overall record and nine saves in 107 1/3 innings of work over his 79 appearances.

<u>Pla</u>	yer (Seasons)	RA
1.	Van Johnson (1995-98)	115
2.	Jon Harden (1989-92)	110
3.	Caleb Reed (2009-12)	92
4.	Ross Mitchell (2012-15)	86
5.	Jonathan Holder (2012-14)	81
6.	Riley Self (2017-present)	79
7.	Chad Girodo (2010-13)	78
8.	Scott Tanksley (1993-95)	75
9.	Pete Young (1987-89)	72
10.	Scott Polk (1995-99)	71
	Saunders Ramsey (2002-05)	71

Streaking at the Plate

- Since 2009, there have been 10 reached base streaks of 26 games or longer. That list includes **Tanner Allen** who carried that streak from the 2019 season into 2020.
- Allen reached base his first five appearances of 2020, adding to his 21-game streak which ended the 2019 campaign.
- His streak came to an end during the Bulldogs' series at Long Beach State (2/28).

Streak	Name (Year)
43	Brett Pirtle (2013)
41	Jarrod Parks (2011)
40	Nick Vickerson (28, 2010; 12, 2011)
39	Brett Pirtle (2014)
31	Elijah MacNamee (2018)
30	Jordan Westburg (20, 2019; 10, 2020)
30	Seth Heck (2014)
27	Jake Mangum (13, 2016; 14, 2017)
26	Tanner Allen (21, 2019; 5, 2020)
26	Scott DeLoach (2009)

NOTE: Any streak listed with multiple years spanned multiple seasons.



Mac-LOUD Debut

Record-Setting Debut for MacLeod

- Christian MacLeod made his collegiate debut in a start on the mound against Wright State on Saturday, Feb. 15, 2020 and quickly made his mark.
- The left-hander tossed five scoreless innings and allowed just three base runners. His first collegiate victory helped him secure SEC Co-Freshman of the Week and Collegiate Baseball National Player of the Week honor roll honors.
- His 11 strikeouts rank tied for No. 7 on the freshman single game charts and are the most in a Bulldog's first career start.
- MacLeod missed the 2019 campaign due to illness.

Rookie Record for MacLeod

- With 11 strikeouts in his collegiate debut, Christian MacLeod struck out the most batters in a debut at Mississippi State in program history.
- In week four, he fanned 12 batters to make him just the third freshman since at least 1985 with multiple 10-strikeout games in his rookie season. He joined *Eric DuBose* (1995) and *Paul Maholm* (2001).
- Among pitchers making their collegiate debut in a start, his 11
 punch outs bested *John Lalor's* and *Will Cox's* eight strikeout
 efforts.

K	Name	Opponent (Date)
8	John Lalor	Jackson State (March 9, 2005)
8	Will Cox	Mississippi Valley State (2/26/2012)

- Scott Tanksley (1993), Brandon Woodruff (2012) and Will Bednar (2020) each struck out eight in their first career starts, but each made relief appearances prior to those starts.
- In Mississippi State history, only two freshman have struck out more batters in a game than MacLeod's 12 versus Quinnipiac.

	K	Name	Opponent (Date)
1.	15	Eric DuBose	LSU (5/12/1995)
2.	14	Eric DuBose	vs. Auburn (5/18/1995)
3.	13	Paul Maholm	South Carolina (4/14/2001)
4.	12	Christian MacLeod	Quinnipiac (3/6/2020)
	12	Nick Routt	Auburn (4/4/2009)
	12	Chris George	Tennessee (4/9/1989)
7.	11	Christian MacLeod	Wright State (2/15/2020)
	11	JT Ginn	at Florida (3/6/2019)
	11	Mark Freed	UAB (4/14/1998)
10.	10	Paul Maholm	Auburn (3/10/2001)
	10	Nelson Arriete	vs. Ole Miss (4/17/1988)

Double-Digit Club

- Christian MacLeod bookended his shortened 2020 campaign with double-digit strikeout games.
- His 11 strikeouts versus Wright State and 12 against Quinnipiac made him the lone freshman in the NCAA to post multiple double-digit strikeout games in 2020.

Leading All Newcomers

- Christian MacLeod was the only freshman in the NCAA with multiple double-digit strikeout games in 2020 and the only Power 5 freshman to register four-or-more victories on the season.
- His 35 strikeouts tied for the most among Power 5 freshmen on the season (Burke, Maryland; Prielipp, Alabama) and sat No. 43 in the NCAA and No. 3 in the SEC
- His four victories finished tied for No. 2 nationally and tied for the SEC lead and his 0.86 ERA was No. 41 in the NCAA and No. 4 in the SEC.

Honors Tracker

Tanner Allen, OF

Preseason All-SEC (first team)

Will Bednar, RHP

Baseball America Breakout Candidate (No. 13)
Baseball America Top 100 MLB Draft Prospect (No. 59)
MLB Pipeline Top 100 MLB Draft Prospect (No. 41)
D1Baseball Top 100 Collegiate MLB Draft Prospects (No. 20)

Eric Cerantola, RHP

Baseball America Top 100 MLB Draft Prospect (No. 34) MLB Pipeline Top 100 MLB Draft Prospect (No. 50) D1Baseball Top 100 Collegiate MLB Draft Prospects (No. 28)

Scotty Dubrule, IF

Baseball America Top 25 New Addition (No. 23)

Josh Hatcher, IF

Preseason All-SEC (second team)

Kamren James, IF

D1Baseball Top 100 Collegiate MLB Draft Prospects (No. 49)

Rowdey Jordan, OF

Preseason All-SEC (second team)

Christian MacLeod, LHP

Golden Spikes Award Preseason Watch List
Collegiate Baseball Newspaper Preseason All-America (second team)
D1Baseball Preseason All-America (third team)
Perfect Game Preseason All-America (third team)
Baseball America Top 100 MLB Draft Prospect (No. 23)
MLB Pipeline Top 100 MLB Draft Prospect (No. 40)
D1Baseball Top 100 Collegiate MLB Draft Prospects (No. 26)

Spencer Price, RHP

NCBWA Stopper of the Year Preseason Watch List





Going Yard

Below is a listing of all of the home runs for the 2020 season, including expanded data for those home runs that MSU hits at home.

Gm	Name	Inn.	On Base	Exit Velocity	Launch Angle	Distance
2	Tanner, Logan *	2		100	19	368 feet
4	Brandon Pimentel	8	3	105	19	372 feet
5	Josh Hatcher *	4		99	38	350 feet
6	Justin Foscue	4		99	33	377 feet
8	Brad Cumbest *	2		99	24	379 feet
8	Jordan Westburg	7	1	104	22	410 feet
10	Justin Foscue	6		103	21	391 feet
12	Josh Hatcher	4	1	105	19	366 feet
12	Jordan Westburg *	5		101	25	381 feet
13	Kamren James *	7		106	17	338 feet
14	Logan Tanner *	4		93	28	340 feet

11 total home run in 2020

(* - Home run led off an inning $| \land$ - Leadoff home run (bottom/top 1st)

The Last Time	# - SEC Tournament \mid % - NCAA Regional \mid ^ - NCAA Super Regional \mid \$ - College World Series
A MISSISSIPPI STATE TEAM	
Won 15+ Consecutive Games	•
Won 10+ Consecutive SEC Games	
Lost 5+ Consecutive Games Lost 5+ Consecutive SEC Games	
Swept a Three-Game Series	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
at Home	
	Quinnipiac; March 6-8, 2020
on The Road	at Hawaii-Hilo; 1985
at Home	
	Vanderbilt; March 16-18, 2018
on The Road	at Arkansas; April 18-20, 2019
at Home	
	at Arkansas; April 18-20, 2019 Vanderbit; March 16-18, 2018 at Arkansas; April 18-20, 2019
Played An Extra-Inning Game	
A MISSISSIPPI STATE OFFENSE Scored 30+ 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	
Had 30+ Hits	
Had 20+ Hits Had 20+ Hits in Back-to-Back Games	
Had 6+ Home Runs	
Hit Back-To-Back-To-Back Home Runs	
Had 8+ Doubles. Had 7+ Doubles.	
Had 6+ Doubles.	
Had 10+ Walks	
Had 8+ Stolen Bases	
Didn't Strikeout in a Game	

MISSISSIPPI STATE PITCHING STAFF
Held Opponent To 1 Hit. at Texas A&M May 3, 201 Held Opponent To 2 Hits Texas Southern; April 16, 201
Struck Out 20+ Batters
Struck Out 15+ Batters
Shut Out An Opponent
at Home. Alabama; April 12, 2019 (6-C on The Road at Long Beach State (9-0); February 29, 202 Neutral Site Game vs. Washington (1-0); June 16, 2018 Postseason Game vs. Washington (1-0); June 16, 2018 Recorded Back-To-Back Shutouts 2016 (Nicholls State, Feb. 28 [8-0] and Alcorn State, March 1 [14-0]
Shut Out An SEC Opponent. at Ole Miss; May 10, 2019 (2-C At Home. Alabama; April 12, 2019 (6-C On The Road at Ole Miss; May 10, 2019 (2-C Neutral Site. vs. Georgia; May 24, 2017 (3-O)
A MISSISSIPPI STATE BATTER HAD Hit for the Cycle
Walk-Off Hit Josh Hatcher; Quinnipiac, March 7, 202 8+ At-Bats S- Jordan Westburg, Tanner Allen & Rowdey Jordan vs. LSU, May 22, 2019
6+ Hits
5+ Hits 5 - Tanner Allen; South Carolina, May 16, 201 4+ Hits 4 - Rowdey Jordan; at Long Beach State, February 29, 202 2+ Hits In An Inning Dustin Skelton (1B, 1B; 4th inning); at Ole Miss, May 12, 201
5+ Runs
4+ Runs
3+ Doubles
2+ Triples
3+ Home Runs 3 - Brent Rooker; vs. Kentucky, April 8, 201 2+ Home Runs 2 - Josh Hatcher; vs. South Carolina, May 17, 201 Inside-The-Park Home Run Cody Brown; vs. Kentucky, April 7, 201
Pinch Hit Home Run
Leadoff Home Run (Top or bottom of 1st inning)
Walk-Off Home Run
Multiple Grand Slams
A Pinch Hit Grand Slam
10+ RBIs11 - Jason Nappi; at UAB, March 18, 2009+ RBIs.9 - Ryan Duffy; vs. Jackson State, April 6, 2018+ RBIs.8 - Brent Rooker; vs. Indiana State, Feb. 24, 2017+ RBIs.7 - Jordan Westburg; vs. North Carolina, June 19, 2018
10+ Total Bases
4+ Walks
4+ Stolen Bases. 4 - Derrick Armstrong; vs. Michigan State, March 1, 201 3+ Stolen Bases. 3 - Brent Rooker; vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff, March 14, 201 Stole Home. Hunter Stovall; vs. Alcorn State, March 1, 201
3+ Hit By Pitches
A MISSISSIPPI STATE PITCHER HAD A Perfect Game J.T. Peatross; Mississippi College (1-0), 191
A No-Hitter
A Complete Game (9 Inn.)
A Complete Game (7 Inn.)
Complete-Game 2-Hitter
A Complete-Game Shutout
at Home
SEC Game. Dakota Hudson; vs. Arkansas (7-0), May 19, 201 as a Freshman . Scott Tanksley; vs. Mississippi College (6-0), April 20, 199
Postseason Game
17+ Strikeouts.17 - Chris Stratton; at LSU, March 16, 20115+ Strikeouts.15 - Ethan Small; Alabama, April 14, 20110+ Strikeouts.12 - Christian MacLeod; Quinnipiac, March 6, 202
Recorded Two Saves In One Day
A MISSISSIPPI STATE DEFENSE
Turned 5+ Double Plays .5 - San Diego; March 8, 201 Turned 4+ Double Plays .5 - San Diego; March 8, 201 Turned 3+ Double Plays .3 - Miami (Fla.); June 1, 2019
Turned A Triple Play
Had 4+ Errors
Threw Out 3 Base Runners

Hit It Hard

Top 10 Exit Velocities

Below is a listing of the top-10 hardest hit balls by MSU in 2020.

Exit Velocity	Name	Opponent	Result
111.5	Josh Hatcher	Long Beach State (2/2	9) Double
110.9	Jordan Westburg	vs. Texas Tech (3/10)	Double
109.7	Jordan Westburg	Wright State (2/15)	Fly out
109.5	Josh Hatcher	Long Beach State (2/29)	Ground out
109.5	Jordan Westburg	Quinnipiac (3/8)	Ground out
108.4	Jordan Westburg	Texas Southern (2/15)	Double
106.9	Kamren James	Quinnipiac (3/6)	Single
106.7	Jordan Westburg	Long Beach State (2/29)	Single
106.4	Justin Foscue	Oregon State (2/21)	Single
106.3	Josh Hatcher	Quinnipiac (3/8)	Single
106.3	Kamren James	Quinnipiac (3/7)	Home run
106.3	Logan Tanner	Wright State (2/15)	Double

Individual Exit Velocities

Below is a listing of each MSU student-athlete's average and top exit velocity of the 2020 season.

Name	Average EV	Top EV
Allen, Tanner	86.1	104.6
Cumbest, Brad	94.5	101.0
Hancock, Luke	86.0	97.7
Hatcher, Josh	88.8	111.5
James, Kamren	90.5	106.9
Jordan, Landon	95.6	104.2
Jordan, Rowdey	89.8	104.4
Leggett, Tanner	88.5	98.4
McGowan, Drew	80.4	92.8
Pimentel, Brandon	91.4	105.6
Tanner, Logan	90.3	106.3

Barrel Count

Below is a listing of each MSU student-athlete's total barreled balls in 2020.

Name	2020 Barrels	2019 Barrels
Allen, Tanner	1	24
Cumbest, Brad	1	3
Hancock, Luke		2
Hatcher, Josh	8	8
James, Kamren	6	
Jordan, Landon	2	4
Jordan, Rowdey	3	15
McGowan, Drew		
Pimentel, Brandon	4	3
Tanner, Logan	2	1

NOTE: A barreled ball is 98-plus exit velocity and a 10-35 degree launch angle. Barreled balls include all balls put in play.



Record: 12-4 Home: 9-2 Away: 1-2 Neutral: 2-0 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%
17 Foscue, Justin	.321	16-16	53	10	17	4	0	2	16	27	.509	15	0	3	0	.464	1	0	1-1	23	35	1	.983
11 Westburg, Jordan	.317	16-16	60	17	19	6	0	2	11	31	.517	6	7	15	0	.432	1	0	2-2	13	28	5	.891
10 Hatcher, Josh	.311	16-16	61	10	19	4	1	2	9	31	.508	3	0	10	1	.338	1	1	2-2	107	15	3	.976
4 Jordan, Rowdey	.308	16-16	65	17	20	2	0	0	6	22	.338	10	0	14	1	.395	1	0	3-4	31	0	2	.939
6 James, Kamren	.308	15-14	52	3	16	3	0	1	12	22	.423	3	0	10	0	.339	1	0	1-1	5	16	4	.840
50 Pimentel, Brandon	.184	14-13	49	5	9	1	0	1	8	13	.265	6	1	16	0	.286	0	0	2-3	22	0	0	1.000
19 Tanner, Logan	.268	14-11	41	6	11	1	0	2	5	18	.439	8	0	7	1	.388	0	0	0-2	137	8	0	1.000
32 Land, Mason	.250	3-1	4	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	.250	1	0	1	0	.400	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
5 Allen, Tanner	.240	8-7	25	6	6	2	1	0	5	10	.400	5	1	4	1	.387	0	0	0-0	10	1	0	1.000
20 Hancock, Luke	.231	9-8	26	0	6	2	0	0	3	8	.308	2	1	4	0	.310	0	0	0-0	39	7	2	.958
9 Jordan, Landon	.182	14-10	33	4	6	0	0	0	0	6	.182	8	0	7	1	.341	0	1	0-1	1	1	0	1.000
33 Cumbest, Brad	.130	11-6	23	2	3	1	0	1	1	7	.304	1	0	10	1	.167	0	0	0-0	9	0	0	1.000
31 Leggett, Tanner	.118	10-5	17	3	2	0	0	0	0	2	.118	2	1	8	0	.250	0	0	0-1	4	3	0	1.000
8 McGowan, Drew	.100	8-4	10	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.100	0	0	4	0	.100	0	0	0-0	7	0	0	1.000
27 Brock, Bryce	.000	7-1	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	2	0	.000	0	1	0-1	4	0	0	1.000
34 French, Hunter	.000	2-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	.000	0	0	0-0	1	0	0	1.000
Totals	.260	16	524	85	136	26	2	11	77	199	.380	70	11	117	6	.356	5	3	11-18	426	130	19	.967
Opponents	.187	16	513	58	96	19	3	4	46	133	.259	61	11	180	5	.285	4	5	15-21	400	159	18	.969

LOB - Team (128), Opp (110). DPs turned - Team (6), Opp (7). IBB - Team (1), Foscue 1. Picked off - James 1.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	era	w-l	арр	gs	cg	sho	sv	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	2b	3b	hr	b/avg	wp	hp	bk	sfa	sha
28 MacLeod, Christian	0.86	4-0	4	4	0	0/1	0	21.0	9	2	2	6	35	2	0	0	.127	3	0	0	1	0
37 Cerantola, Eric	3.18	1-1	4	4	0	0/0	0	17.0	17	9	6	11	22	8	1	0	.262	8	2	0	0	1
29 Koestler, Carlisle	4.42	0-1	5	3	0	0/0	0	18.1	18	9	9	5	13	4	0	1	.254	0	1	1	0	1
55 Price, Spencer	0.00	0-0	8	0	0	0/0	2	7.1	1	0	0	1	10	0	0	0	.043	0	0	0	0	0
14 Self, Riley	1.17	1-0	7	0	0	0/0	0	7.2	3	3	1	1	7	0	1	0	.111	0	2	0	1	0
46 Dunlavey, David	1.69	2-1	5	0	0	0/0	0	10.2	8	5	2	8	11	0	0	0	.211	3	1	0	0	1
24 Bednar, Will	1.76	0-0	4	1	0	0/1	1	15.1	9	3	3	6	23	3	0	0	.161	2	1	0	0	0
40 Forrester, Jaxen	2.57	0-0	7	0	0	0/0	0	7.0	5	2	2	3	9	1	0	0	.200	3	0	0	0	0
48 Harding, Houston	2.79	1-0	2	2	0	0/0	0	9.2	6	6	3	3	11	0	0	1	.158	0	0	0	0	0
23 Sims, Landon	3.46	1-0	7	0	0	0/0	0	13.0	5	6	5	7	23	1	0	1	.111	3	3	0	0	2
18 Patrick, Chase	4.50	2-0	4	0	0	0/0	0	6.0	4	3	3	3	7	0	0	1	.200	0	0	0	0	0
3 Ginn, JT	6.00	0-0	1	1	0	0/0	0	3.0	3	2	2	2	4	0	1	0	.273	1	0	2	0	0
30 Shemper, Jared	8.31	0-1	5	0	0	0/0	1	4.1	6	5	4	3	4	0	0	0	.333	1	0	0	0	0
2 Hunt, KC	16.20	0-0	1	1	0	0/0	0	1.2	2	3	3	2	1	0	0	0	.400	2	1	0	2	0
Totals	2.85	12-4	16	16	0	1/1	4	142.0	96	58	45	61	180	19	3	4	.187	26	11	3	4	5
Opponents	5.13	4-12	16	16	0	1/1	2	133.1	136	85	76	70	117	26	2	11	.260	18	11	2	5	3

PB - Team (2), Tanner 2, Opp (4). Pickoffs - Team (1), Dunlavey 1, Opp (1). SBA/ATT - Hancock (11-12), Tanner (4-7), Dunlavey (3-4), Koestler (1-3), Ginn (3-3), Sims (3-3), MacLeod (1-2), Cerantola (1-2), Patrick (0-1), Self (1-1), Harding (1-1), Bednar (1-1).





Pen Production

Below is a listing of decisions (win or loss), holds and saves/blown saves from the Mississippi State bullpen in 2020. Returning student-athletes in bold.

NOTE: A hold occurs when a relief pitcher enters the game in a save situation and maintains the team's lead, while recording at least one out. In order for a pitcher to be credited with a hold one of two conditions must be met: 1) He enters with a lead of three runs or less and maintains that lead while recording at least one out. 2) He enters the game with the tying run on-deck, at the plate or on the bases, and records an out.

Opponent (Date)	Result	Pitcher	Line
Wright State (2/14)	Win (1)	Patrick, Chase	2.0 IP, 2 BB, 1 K
Wright State (2/14)	Save (1)	Shemper, Jared	1.0 IP, 1 BB, 1 K
Oregon State (2/21)	Win (1)	Dunlavey, David	3.0 IP, 2 H, 1 R, 1 ER, 2 BB, 2 K
Oregon State (2/22)	Loss (1)	Shemper, Jared	1.0 IP, 4 H, 4 R, 4 ER, 2 BB, 2 K
Texas Southern (2/25)	Loss (1)	Dunlavey, David	3.1 IP, 4 H, 4 R, 1 ER, 2 BB, 4 K
Alcorn State (2/26)	Win (2)	Patrick, Chase	2.0 IP, 5K
Alcorn State (2/26)	Hold (1)	Shemper, Jared	1.0 IP, 1 H, 1 K
at Long Beach State (2/29)	Save (1)	Bednar, Will	4.0 IP, 3 H, 6 K
Quinnipiac (3/7)	Win (1)	Sims, Landon	3.0 IP, 1 BB, 5 K
Quinnipiac (3/8)	Win (2)	Dunlavey, David	3.0 IP, 3K
Quinnipiac (3/8)	Hold (1)	Forrester, Jaxen	1.0 IP, 1 K
vs. Texas Tech (3/10)	Hold (1)	Sims, Landon	2.1 IP, 1 R, 1 ER, 1 BB, 6 K
vs. Texas Tech (3/10)	Save (1)	Price, Spencer	1.0 IP, 2 K
vs. Texas Tech (3/11)	Win (1)	Self, Riley	2.0 IP, 2 K
vs. Texas Tech (3/11)	Hold (2)	Forrester, Jaxen	1.0 IP, 1 H, 1 R, 1 ER, 1 BB, 2 K
vs. Texas Tech (3/11)	Save (2)	Price, Spencer	1.0 IP, 1 K

Individual Relief Breakdown (2020 season)

Name	Win	Hold/Save	Loss/Blown Save	Name	Win	Hold/Save	Loss/Blown Save
Bednar, Will		/1	/	Self, Riley	1	/	/
Forrester, Jaxen		2/	/	Shemper, Jared		1/1	1/
Patrick, Chase	2	/	/	Sims, Landon	1	1/	/
Price, Spencer		/2	/				