

MISSISSIPPI STATE MEN'S TENNIS



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HAIL DEAR DE STATE! FIGHT FOR THAT VICTORY TODAY!
HIT THAT LINE AND TOTE THAT BALL, CROSS THE GOAL BEFORE YOU FALL AND THEN
WE'LL YELL - YELL, YELL, YELL! FOR DEAR OL' STATE WE'LL YELL LIKE H-E-L-L!
FIGHT FOR MIS-SIS-SIP-PI STATE, WIN THAT GAME TODAY!

2026 SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Overall: 6-0 SEC: 0-0 H: 2-0 A: 3-0 N: 1-0 Indoor: 6-0 Outdoor: 0-0		
January (6-0)		Time/Result
10 at SMU W 5-2 10 Lamar (Dallas) W 6-1 16 at Illinois (24) W 5-2 18 at Indiana W 6-1 23 Santa Clara % W 4-1 24 Auburn % W 4-2		
February (0-0)		
1 at Memphis CANCELED 7 Alabama State CANCELED 13 Florida (23) # W 4-1 13 Virginia (1) # L 1-4 13 Stanford (4) # W 4-3 21 Vanderbilt * 12 p.m. 23 Texas * 11 a.m. 26 South Alabama 2 p.m.		
March (0-0)		
1 at Auburn * 12 p.m. 6 Tennessee * 3 p.m. 8 Georgia * 1 p.m. 13 at South Carolina * 4 p.m. 20 at Florida * 11 a.m. 22 at LSU * 12 p.m. 27 Ole Miss * 5 p.m. 29 Kentucky * 11 a.m.		
April (0-0)		
2 at Arkansas * 5:30 p.m. 4 at Oklahoma * 12 p.m. 12 Alabama * 1 p.m. 15-19 SEC Championship (Bryan-College Station, Texas)		
May (0-0)		
1-3 NCAA Rounds 1 & 2 (TBD) 8-9 NCAA Super Regional (TBD) 14-17 NCAA Championships (Athens, Ga.)		

* SEC match | ** SEC Championship | ^ NCAA Tournament | + Indoors
% ITA Kickoff Weekend, Starkville | # ITA National Indoor Championships
All Times Central | Neutral site location ()

MATCH AT A GLANCE



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Mississippi State Bulldogs

8-1, 0-0 SEC

ITA Team Ranking

#10

ITA Singles Rankings

#10 - Petar Jovanovic
#43 - Mario Martinez Serrano
#47 - Benito Sanchez Martinez
#55 - Bryan Hernandez Cortes

ITA Doubles Rankings

#4 - Jovanovic / Sanchez Martinez
#47 - Martinez Serrano / Novansky

Vanderbilt Commodores

8-2, 0-0 SEC

ITA Team Ranking

#37

ITA Singles Rankings

NR

ITA Doubles Rankings

NR

SERIES NOTES & HISTORY

- » Mississippi State holds a 47-14 lead over Vanderbilt all-time.
- » The Bulldogs have won the past 10 matchups against the Commodores and the previous four home matches.
- » Mississippi State has never dropped a SEC opener to Vanderbilt in program history, the Bulldogs are 5-0.

- » This matchup marks the fifth consecutive ranked matchup between the Bulldogs and the Commodores, State has won each meeting.
- » The first ranked meeting between the two sides came in 1994, No. 6 Mississippi State defeated No. 42 Vanderbilt, 5-2.
- » Head Coach Matt Roberts holds a record of 10-2 against the Commodores.

NOTES TO KNOW

- » Mississippi State went 2-1 at the ITA National Team Indoor Championships. The Bulldogs defeated No. 4 Stanford, No. 23 Florida and fell to No. 1 Virginia.
- » Head coach Matt Roberts is tied for the most career wins all-time as the Bulldogs' gaffer with 220 victories. He is just one win away from overtaking Andy Jackson for the most wins all-time at the helm.
- » Mississippi State is 8-3 in SEC openers under Matt Roberts.
- » Mississippi State reached 25 wins during their 2025 campaign tied with the 1979 team for the most single-season victories in program history.
- » State finds themselves ranked No. 10 in the latest ITA poll with two double teams ranked for the first time this season.
- » State's win over No. 23 Florida marked the fifth time in program history that the Dawgs have opened the season with seven consecutive wins.
- » **Mario Martinez Serrano** leads the team in dual match wins with 12 victories.
- » **Michal Novansky** is ranked in doubles (No. 49) for the first time since his freshman campaign in 2023 where he was ranked No. 14 alongside Nemanja Malesevic.
- » **Petar Jovanovic** has reached 20 overall wins this season, the first Bulldogs to reach that mark.
- » **Benito Sanchez Martinez** was named the first SEC Men's Tennis Player of the Week of the season. It is Sanchez Martinez's second SEC Player of the Week honor all-time.

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MEN'S TENNIS PHOTO ROSTER



**Niccole
Baroni**

Sophomore
Viareggio, Italy



**Roberto
Ferrer Guimaraes**

Junior
Lakeland, Tenn.



**Bryan
Hernandez Cortes**

Sophomore
Mallorca, Spain



**Petar
Jovanovic**

Senior
Podgorica, Montenegro



**Marshall
Landry**

Junior
Pinehurst, N.C.



**Mario
Martinez Serrano**

Senior
Zaragoza, Spain



**Michal
Novansky**

Senior
Trnava, Slovakia



**Benito
Sanchez Martinez**

Senior
Potsdam, Germany



**Raphael
Vaksmann**

Freshman
Paris, France



**Matt
Roberts**

Head Coach



**Derek
Siddiqui**

Associate Head Coach



**Trevor
Gotkowski**

Assistant Coach

* Click on photos to visit their online bio

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MISSISSIPPI STATE WORD ROSTER

Name	Yr.	Ht.	Exp.	Hometown	High School (Previous School)
Niccolò Baroni	So.	5-10	1L	Viareggio, Italy	University of Pisa
Roberto Ferrer Guimaraes	Jr.	5-11	2L	Lakeland, Tenn.	Memphis University School
Bryan Hernandez Cortes	So.	6-3	1L	Mallorca, Spain	Martin Klein Schiller
Petar Jovanovic	Sr.	6-4	3L	Podgorica, Montenegro	Gymnasium Slobodan Skerovic
Marshall Landry	Jr.	6-1	2L	Pinehurst, N.C.	Pinecrest HS
Mario Martinez Serrano	Sr.	6-0	1L	Zaragoza, Spain	(Troy)
Michal Novansky	Sr.	6-0	3L	Trnava, Slovakia	Stredna sportova skola Jozefa Herdu
Benito Sanchez Martinez	Sr.	6-2	3L	Potsdam, Germany	Carl-Friedrich-Gauss Schule
Raphael Vaksman	Fr.	6-1	HS	Paris, France	National Centre for Distance Education

Pronunciation Guide

Niccolò Baroni	Nih-KOH-loh Buh-ROH-nee
Roberto Ferrer Guimaraes	roh-BEHR-toh FEH-rehr gee mah-RYE-esh
Bryan Hernández Cortés	BRY-en Her-NAHN-dess kor-TESS
Petar Jovanović	PEH-tar yoh-VAH-no-vich
Marshall Landry	MAR-shul LAND-ree
Mario Martínez Serrano	MAHR-ee-oh mar-TEE-nez seh RAH-noh
Michal Novanský	MEE-hahl noh-VAHN-skee
Benito Sánchez Martínez	beh-NEE-toh SAHN-chez mar-TEE-nez
Raphael Vaksman	rah-fah-EL VAHKS-man

Coaching Staff

Head Coach	Matt Roberts
Alma Mater	Arkansas, 2006
Record at MSU	220-84 (12th Season)
Career Record	Same
Associate Head Coach	Derek Siddiqui
Assistant Coach	Trevor Gotkowski

VANDERBILT WORD ROSTER

Name	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown	High School (Previous School)
Tighe Brunetti	--	Sr.	Westport, Conn.	Staples
Hugo Coquelin	--	Jr.	Sevenoaks, England	Sevenoaks School
Nathan Cox	--	Sr.	Lake Charles, La.	Evert Tennis Academy (Fla.)
Hwang Donghyun	--	Fr.	Clarksburg, Md.	Laurel Springs
Pablo Martinez Gomez	--	So.	Murcia, Spain	--
Callum Markowitz	--	So.	White Plains, N.Y.	White Plains
Danil Panarin	--	Jr.	Moscow, Russia	Школа №1231
Hoyoung Roh	--	Fr.	Anyang, South Korea	IMG Academy
Jack Satterfield	--	Fr.	Lafayette, Calif.	Plant High School
Cayden Wang	--	Fr.	Irvine, Calif.	Crean Lutheran

Coaching Staff

Head Coach	Scott Brown
Assistant Coach	Geoff Hernandez
Assistant Coach	Filip Kraljevic

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Location	Starkville, Miss. 39762
Population	24,168
Founded	February 28, 1878
Nickname	Bulldogs
Enrollment	23,563
Colors	Maroon (PMS 202) and White
Mascot	Bully
Live Mascot	(Bully XXII)
President	Dak
Director of Athletics	Dr. Mark Keenum
Faculty Athletics Representative	Zac Selmon
Conference	Brent J. Fountain Southeastern

FACILITY INFORMATION

Outdoor [A.J. Pitts Tennis Centre](#)

Indoor [Rula Tennis Pavilion](#)

TEAM HISTORY

NCAA Team Championship Appearances	34 (last in 2025)
NCAA Team Championship Record	38-29
NCAA Round of 16 Appearances	18 (last in 2025)
NCAA Quarterfinals Appearances	6 (last in 2025)
NCAA Semifinals Appearances	2 (1998, 1994)
NCAA Finals Appearances	n/a
SEC Regular Seasons Championships	3 (1993, 1967, 1965)
SEC Tournament Championships	3 (2019, 2018, 1996)
ITA Top 25 Finishes	31
Final 2025 Team ITA Ranking	10th
ALL-American Honors	52
All-SEC Honors	111

2026 TEAM INFORMATION

ITA Preseason Ranking	7
Current ITA Ranking	6
Season-High Team Ranking (Date)	6 (2/4/2026)

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach	Matt Roberts (Arkansas, 2006)
Record at MSU	220-84 (12th Season)
Career Record	Same
SEC Record	83-41
NCAA Tournaments	10
Best NCAA Finish	Quarterfinals (2025, 2018)
Associate Head Coach	Derek Siddiqui (San Diego State, 2013)
Years at MSU	1st Season
Assistant Coach	Trevor Gotkowski (Wofford, 2017)
Years at MSU	2nd Season

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COLLEGE TENNIS SCORING

A collegiate tennis match consists of three doubles matches and six singles matches which determine seven total points as follows:

- All matches will be played with no-ad scoring.
- Doubles matches will be played to begin the match. Each match will be one set (first to six & win by two).
- There is a five minute break between doubles and singles.

- Six singles matches will be played after the break. Each singles match will be best 2-out-of-3 sets (first to six & win by two).
- Tiebreakers (first to seven & win by two) will be played if a doubles or singles set reaches 6-all.
- The team to score four points or more is the winner of the match.

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2026 Schedule

Record: **8-1** **.889**

Home 2-0 .000
Away 3-0 1.000
Neutral 3-1 .750

SEC Record: **0-0** **.000**

Home 0-0 .000
Away 0-0 .000
Neutral 0-0 .000

Versus Ranked Opponents

vs. Top 10 1-1 .500
vs. Top 25 2-0 1.000
vs. Top 50 0-0 .000
vs. Top 75 0-0 .000

Venue

Indoors 8-1 .889
Outdoors 0-0 .000

By Month

January	6-0	1.000
February	2-1	.667
March	0-0	.000
April	0-0	.000
May	0-0	.000

By Day

Sunday	2-0	1.000
Monday	0-0	.000
Tuesday	0-0	.000
Wednesday	0-0	.000
Thursday	0-0	.000
Friday	3-0	1.000
Saturday	3-1	.750

Record when MSU wins

Doubles Point	3-1	.750
Home	0-0	.000
Road	1-0	1.000
Neutral	2-1	.667

No. 1 Doubles	2-0	1.000
No. 2 Doubles	4-0	1.000
No. 3 Doubles	3-0	1.000
No. 1 Singles	4-0	1.000
No. 2 Singles	5-0	1.000
No. 3 Singles	6-0	1.000
No. 4 Singles	6-0	1.000
No. 5 Singles	5-0	1.000
No. 6 Singles	5-0	1.000

SINGLES

PLAYER	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	DUAL	PCT.	SEC	PCT.	TOURN.	ALL	PCT.	STK.
Niccolo Baroni	0-0	0-0	5-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	5-0	1.000	0-0	.000	4-2	9-2	.818	W7
Roberto Ferrer Guimaraes	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	1-1	1-0	3-1	1.000	0-0	.000	5-3	8-4	.667	L1
Bryan Hernandez Cortes	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-2	1-1	1-4	.200	0-0	.000	12-4	13-8	.600	W1
Petar Jovanovic	0-0	6-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	6-2	.750	0-0	.000	14-4	20-6	.826	W1
Marshall Landry	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	1-0	1.000	0-0	.000	4-4	5-4	.556	W2
Mario Martinez Serrano	0-0	0-0	2-1	5-0	0-0	0-0	7-1	.875	0-0	.000	6-5	13-6	.688	W1
Michal Novansky	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	1-1	2-2	.500	0-0	.000	6-5	8-7	.583	L2
Benito Sanchez Martinez	5-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	5-1	.833	0-0	.000	7-6	12-7	.611	W5
Raphael Vaksmann	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	3-0	2-0	5-1	.833	0-0	.000	7-2	12-3	.857	L1
TEAM TOTALS	5-1	6-2	7-2	6-1	5-4	6-2	35-12	.848	0-0	.000	65-35	100-47	.680	-

DOUBLES BY TEAM

TEAM	#1	#2	#3	DUAL	PCT.	SEC	PCT.	TOURN.	ALL	PCT.	STK.
Baroni/Martinez Serrano	1-0	2-3	0-0	3-3	.500	0-0	.000	1-1	4-4	.500	W1
Ferrer Guimaraes/Vaksmann	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	3-4	3-4	.429	L4
Hernandez Cortes/Novansky	0-0	1-0	2-2	3-2	.500	0-0	.000	1-1	4-3	.571	L1
Jovanovic/Sanchez Martinez	2-5	0-0	0-0	2-5	.286	0-0	.000	7-2	9-6	.615	L1
Landry/Novansky	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1-2	1-2	.333	L1
Martinez Serrano/Novansky	0-0	2-0	0-0	2-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-1	1-1	.000	W1
Sanchez Martinez/Novansky	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1-1	1-1	.500	W2
Hernandez Cortes/Vaksmann	0-0	0-0	1-2	1-2	.333	0-0	.000	0-0	1-2	.500	L2
TEAM TOTALS	3-5	5-3	2-4	8-12	.400	0-0	.000	14-12	21-20	.512	-

DOUBLES BY PLAYER

PLAYER	#1	#2	#3	DUAL	PCT.	SEC	PCT.	TOURN.	ALL	PCT.	STK.
Niccolo Baroni	1-0	2-3	0-0	3-3	.500	0-0	.000	1-1	4-4	.500	W1
Roberto Ferrer Guimaraes	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	3-4	3-4	.429	L4
Bryan Hernandez Cortes	0-0	1-0	2-4	3-4	.429	0-0	.000	1-1	4-5	.444	L3
Petar Jovanovic	2-5	0-0	0-0	2-4	.333	0-0	.000	7-2	9-6	.600	L1
Raphael Vaksmann	0-0	0-0	0-2	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	3-4	3-6	.333	L6
Mario Martinez Serrano	1-0	3-3	0-0	4-3	.571	0-0	.000	1-2	5-5	.500	W2
Marshall Landry	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1-2	1-2	.333	L1
Michal Novansky	0-0	2-0	2-2	4-2	.667	0-0	.000	3-5	7-7	.500	W2
Benito Sanchez Martinez	2-5	0-0	0-0	2-4	.333	0-0	.000	8-3	10-7	.588	L1
TEAM TOTALS	6-10	8-6	4-8	18-22	.450	0-0	.000	28-24	46-46	.500	-

THREE-SETTERS*

PLAYER	Total	W-L
Niccolo Baroni	1	1-0
Roberto Ferrer Guimaraes	2	2-0
Bryan Hernandez Cortes	9	5-4
Petar Jovanovic	9	6-3
Marshall Landry	1	0-1
Mario Martinez Serrano	7	3-4
Michal Novansky	4	3-1
Benito Sanchez Martinez	8	4-2
Raphael Vaksmann	9	7-1
TEAM TOTALS	50	31-14

TEAM	Total	W-L
Baroni/Martinez Serrano	0	0-0
Ferrer Guimaraes/Vaksmann	0	0-0
Hernandez Cortes/Novansky	0	0-0
Jovanovic/Sanchez Martinez	2	2-0
Landry/Novansky	0	0-0
Novansky/Martinez Serrano	0	0-0
Novansky/Sanchez Martinez	0	0-0
TEAM TOTALS	3	2-1

Includes 10-point Tie-Break instead of full 3rd set

TIEBREAKERS*

PLAYER	Total	W-L
Niccolo Baroni	1	1-0
Roberto Ferrer Guimaraes	0	0-0
Bryan Hernandez Cortes	1	0-1
Petar Jovanovic	1	0-1
Marshall Landry	0	0-0
Mario Martinez Serrano	1	1-0
Michal Novansky	0	0-0
Benito Sanchez Martinez	2	1-1
Raphael Vaksmann	2	2-0
TEAM TOTALS	7	5-2

TEAM	Total	W-L
Baroni/Martinez Serrano	1	1-0
Ferrer Guimaraes/Vaksmann	0	0-0
Hernandez Cortes/Novansky	0	0-0
Jovanovic/Sanchez Martinez	2	1-1
Landry/Novansky	0	0-0
Novansky/Martinez Serrano	0	0-0
Novansky/Sanchez Martinez	0	0-0
TEAM TOTALS	3	2-1

Includes 7-point and 10-point Tie-Breaks