

Ole Miss

SOFTBALL

2024 GAME NOTES

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VS. #17 MISSISSIPPI STATE

MARCH 8-10 // OXFORD, MISS.

RECORD	RECORD	RANKING	USA RANKING
15-5	0-0	--	--
HEAD COACH	RECORD	YEAR	OM RECORD
Jamie Trachsel	470-258-1	14th	124-74
YEAR	4th		



VS



RECORD	RECORD	RANKING	USA RANKING
17-3	0-0	24	23
HEAD COACH	RECORD	YEAR	MSU RECORD
Samantha Ricketts	142-83	5th	142-83
YEAR	5th		

2024 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT/TIME (CT)
Feb. 8	vs. BYU \$	L, 4-7
Feb. 9	vs. Nevada \$	W, 3-2 (8)
Feb. 9	vs. Kansas City \$	W, 9-1 (6)
Feb. 10	at Hawaii \$	W, 15-0 (5)
Feb. 11	at Hawaii \$	W, 5-1
Feb. 16	vs. Pitt &	W, 11-0 (5)
Feb. 16	at Kennesaw State &	W, 3-1
Feb. 17	vs. ETSA &	W, 5-3
Feb. 17	at Kennesaw State &	W, 14-5 (6)
Feb. 18	vs. Pitt &	W, 2-1
Feb. 23	vs. UConn %	W, 2-1
Feb. 23	at #9 Clemson %	L, 1-9 (6)
Feb. 24	vs. Miami (OH) %	W, 10-8
Feb. 25	at #9 Clemson %	L, 0-5
March 1	SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA !	W, 2-0
March 1	UAB !	L, 4-6
March 2	KENT STATE !	W, 10-0 (5)
March 2	SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA !	L, 4-9 (8)
March 3	UAB !	W, 7-0
March 5	at Memphis	W, 9-0 (6)
March 8	#17 Mississippi State *	6 p.m.
March 9	#17 Mississippi State *	3 p.m.
March 10	#17 Mississippi State * [SEC Network]	3 p.m.
March 13	at Nicholls State	5 p.m.
March 13	at Nicholls State	7 p.m.
March 15	at LSU *	6 p.m.
March 16	at LSU * [ESPN2]	4:30 p.m.
March 17	at LSU * [SEC Network]	6 p.m.
March 22	GEORGIA *	6 p.m.
March 23	GEORGIA *	3 p.m.
March 24	GEORGIA *	1 p.m.
March 29	SOUTH CAROLINA *	6 p.m.
March 30	SOUTH CAROLINA *	3 p.m.
March 31	SOUTH CAROLINA * [SEC Network]	11 a.m.
April 2	UT MARTIN	6 p.m.
April 5	at Alabama *	6 p.m.
April 6	at Alabama * [SEC Network]	5 p.m.
April 7	at Alabama *	1:30 p.m.
April 9	at Louisiana Tech	4 p.m.
April 9	at Louisiana Tech	6 p.m.
April 10	SOUTHERN MISS [SEC Network]	6 p.m.
April 12	WESTERN KENTUCKY	6 p.m.
April 13	WESTERN KENTUCKY	3 p.m.
April 14	WESTERN KENTUCKY	1 p.m.
April 19	at Texas A&M *	6 p.m.
April 20	at Texas A&M *	4 p.m.
April 21	at Texas A&M *	1 p.m.
April 26	AUBURN * [SEC Network]	5 p.m.
April 27	AUBURN *	3 p.m.
April 28	AUBURN * [SEC Network]	12 p.m.
May 3	at Arkansas *	6 p.m.
May 4	at Arkansas * [SEC Network]	3 p.m.
May 5	at Arkansas * [SEC Network]	1 p.m.
May 7-11	vs. SEC Tournament #	TBD

Highest Ranking | Home Games in Bold and Caps

\$ - Paradise Classic (Honolulu, Hawaii)
& - Kennesaw State Tournament (Kennesaw, Ga.)
% - Clemson Classic (Clemson, S.C.)
! - Ole Miss Classic (Oxford, Miss.)
* - Southeastern Conference game
- SEC Tournament (Auburn, Ala.)
^ - NCAA Tournament

LEADING OFF

• Opening SEC play in Oxford, Ole Miss Softball welcomes in-state rival No. 17 Mississippi State to town for a three-game series March 8-10.

• Friday's contest will mark the 80th meeting between the two programs. MSU holds a 46-33 edge in the all-time series.

• The Rebels head into SEC play with a 15-5 overall record, the second best start to the season under head coach Jamie Trachsel in her time at Ole Miss.

• One of the most electric players on the diamond, Jalia Lassiter leads the SEC with 13 stolen bases and ranks third in the conference with 28 hits.

• As an offense, the Rebels are batting .321, the fifth best mark in the SEC and 38th best in the country. They have tallied 10+ hits in eight of the first 20 games this season.

• The Ole Miss pitching staff combined to throw six shutouts, the 13th most nationally. Four of those shutouts for the Rebels have come in the last week.

• Senior Makenna Kliethermes has looked sharp for the Rebels in the circle. She leads the team with a 7-1 record and 48 strikeouts through 41.1 innings pitched.

• Ole Miss' coaching staff features three new faces. Daniel Nicolaisen, Karl Gollan and DJ Sanders all join the Rebels for their first season in Oxford.

GAME INFO



Opponent: Mississippi State

Dates: March 8-10

Location: Oxford, Miss.

TV: SECN+ and SEC Network

Live Stats: OleMissStats.com

Twitter Updates: @OleMissSoftball

NUMBERS TO KNOW

28 In 2024, Ole Miss is playing its 28th season of collegiate softball. Through the first 20 games of the season, the Rebels boast one of their best starts in program history with an 15-5 record.

32 The Ole Miss Softball Complex is in the midst of a \$32 million stadium project, set to be completed by the 2025 season, as part of Ole Miss' Champions. Now. Campaign.

18 Fifth-year senior Paige Smith is making a run at the all-time Ole Miss runs batted in record. With 149, she stands just 18 RBI shy of passing Abbey Latham for the crown.

PROJECTED STARTING LINEUP



QUICK FACTS

UNIVERSITY

Name

University of Mississippi (Ole Miss)

Location

Oxford, Miss.

Founded

Nov. 6, 1848

Enrollment

24,710

Nickname

Rebels

Colors

Cardinal Red & Navy Blue

Conference

Southeastern

Chancellor

Dr. Glenn Boyce

Athletics Director

Keith Carter

COACHING/SUPPORT STAFF

Head Coach

Jamie Trachsel

Alma Mater

St. Cloud State, 2001

Record at Ole Miss

124-74

Year at Ole Miss

4th

Overall Record (14th Season)

470-258-1

Assistant Coach

Daniel Nicolaisen

Alma Mater

Neumann University, 2016

Year at Ole Miss

1st

Assistant Coach

Karl Gollan

Alma Mater

St. Ambrose University, 2024

Year at Ole Miss

1st

Assistant Coach

DJ Sanders

Alma Mater

Louisiana-Lafayette, 2018

Year at Ole Miss

1st

PROGRAM HISTORY

First Year of Fastpitch Softball

1997

All-Time Record (28 Seasons)

722-808 (.471)

All-Time SEC Record

207-487 (.298)

SEC Tourn. Appearances

11 (06, 07, 08, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23)

SEC Tournament Record

8-10 (.444)

NCAA Tournament Appearances

7 (16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23)

NCAA Tournament Record

17-15 (.531)

TEAM INFORMATION

2023 Overall Record

32-28 (.533)

2023 SEC Record

8-16 (.333)

2023 NCAA Postseason

NCAA Regional

2023 Final Rankings

RV

Letterwinners Returning/Lost

12/14

Position Starters Returning/Lost

5/5

Pitchers Returning/Lost

4/2

Newcomers

8

DAILY SCHEDULE					
TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
• at Memphis 6 p.m. CT	• Team Practice	• Team Practice	• vs. MSU 6 p.m. CT	• vs. MSU 3 p.m. CT	• vs. MSU 3 pm CT

* All times central

ATHLETICS COMMUNICATIONS: Ole Miss Assistant Director of Athletic Communications Connor Allen handles all communications duties for the Ole Miss Softball Program. For any questions or special requests, contact him on his cell at (662) 832-3181 or reach him by email at callen7@olemiss.edu.

PRACTICES/INTERVIEWS: The Rebels practice throughout the week, with practice times varying. Media wishing to arrange interviews with coaches or players via phone call, Zoom or in person should contact Assistant Director of Athletic Communications Connor Allen. During the season, the Rebels generally take Monday’s off. All interview requests must be made at least 24 hours in advance. Media availability for players is subject to the team’s time management plan.

WWW.OLEMISSSPORTS.COM: All information regarding the Rebels, including player/coach bios, game recaps, notes, stats, and more, can be found online at the Official Website of Ole Miss Athletics, OleMissSports.com.

LIVE STATS: Live stats are available for each Ole Miss softball game. Links to follow will be made available online at OleMissSports.com, and can generally be found specifically in the game previews or in the game notes. For all Rebel home games, live stats are available via StatBroadcast on the schedule page at OleMissSports.com or by visiting olemiss.statbroadcast.com.

WORKING CREDENTIALS: Only approved media will be given access to cover home games upon request. Media space is very limited, so early notice is suggested if you wish to cover games. Media seating is located outside in front of the press box, so accomodations for weather should be considered. Any media who wish to cover games should notify Connor Allen at least 48 hours in advance so proper accomodations can be made.

TELEVISION INFORMATION: All Ole Miss home games not already scheduled for national television are broadcasted live on SEC Network + via WatchESPN.com and the ESPN app. Links for these broadcasts are made available on the schedule page at OleMissSports.com, as well as in each week’s preview. All other games scheduled on the ESPN family of networks can be found on the schedule page online.

FOLLOW THE REBELS: Fans and media alike can get an exclusive, behind-the-scenes look at the Rebels on their official social media accounts, listed below and to the left. All four platforms will provide exclusive content throughout the season. Fans and media can also follow the Official Social Media Accounts of Ole Miss Athletics on Twitter ([@OleMissSports](https://twitter.com/OleMissSports)), on Facebook ([Facebook.com/OleMissSports](https://facebook.com/OleMissSports)) and on Instagram ([olemissathletics](https://instagram.com/olemissathletics)).

IN THE DUGOUT/WHERE THEY ARE ON THE FIELD



Jamie Trachsel
3rd Base/Dugout



Daniel Nicolaisen
Dugout/First Base



Karl Gollan
Mound Visits/Dugout



DJ Sanders
First Base/Dugout

2024 ROSTER									
NUMERICAL								ALPHABETICAL	
NO.	NAME	POS.	B/T	HT.	YR.	EXP.	HOMETOWN (PREVIOUS SCHOOL)	NO.	NAME
1	Jalia Lassiter	UT	R/R	5-7	So.	1L	Atmore, Ala. (Flomaton)	31	Lexie Brady
2	Ma'Nia Womack	UT	R/R	5-8	Fr.	HS	Brandon, Miss. (Hartfield Academy)	11	Hallie Burns
6	Jaden Pone	UT	L/R	5-3	Jr.	TR	Hope Mills, N.C. (Gray's Creek/Longwood)	26	Angelina Deleon
8	Annie Orman	OF	R/R	5-7	Jr.	2L	Myrtle, Miss. (West Union)	18	Aynslie Furbush
9	Paige Smith	INF	R/R	5-5	Sr.	4L	Corona, Calif. (Norco)	12	Stella Gidcumb
10	Delaney Rummell	INF	R/R	5-6	Sr.	TR	Gilberts, Ill. (Hampshire/Illinois)	25	Tenly Grisham
11	Hallie Burns	RHP	R/R	5-3	Fr.	HS	Booneville, Miss. (Booneville)	15	Makenna Kliethermes
12	Stella Gidcumb	UTL	L/R	5-8	Fr.	HS	Paso Robles, Calif. (Buchanan)	1	Jalia Lassiter
15	Makenna Kliethermes	RHP	R/R	5-10	Sr.	1L	Wardsville, Mo. (Blair Oaks/Oregon)	16	Brianna Lopez
16	Brianna Lopez	LHP	L/L	5-7	Jr.	TR	Riverside, Calif. (Ramona/Hawai'i)	20	Jamie Mackay
17	Catelyn Riley	RHP	R/R	5-10	Jr.	2L	Dandridge, Tenn. (Jefferson County)	22	Taylor Malvin
18	Aynslie Furbush	RHP/UT	R/R	5-8	Sr.	3L	Longwood, Fla. (Winter Springs)	8	Annie Orman
20	Jamie Mackay	C	R/R	5-10	So.	1L	Laguna Beach, Calif. (Pacifica Christian)	6	Jaden Pone
21	Grace Thompson	INF	R/R	5-8	R-Fr.	HS	Beaumont, Texas (West Brook)	17	Catelyn Riley
22	Taylor Malvin	OF	L/R	5-6	So.	1L	Johns Creek, Ga. (Buford)	33	Alexa Rosales
23	Grace Sparks	RHP	R/R	5-10	So.	1L	Crosby, Texas (Crosby)	10	Delaney Rummell
25	Tenly Grisham	INF	L/R	5-4	So.	1L	Philadelphia, Miss. (Neshoba)	9	Paige Smith
26	Angelina Deleon	INF	R/R	5-5	Jr.	2L	Valley Springs, Calif. (Calaveras)	23	Grace Sparks
28	Ryan Starr	INF	L/R	5-3	So.	TR	New York, N.Y. (Massapequa/Syracuse)	28	Ryan Starr
31	Lexie Brady	C/UT	R/R	5-9	Jr.	2L	Sioux Falls, S.D. (O'Gorman)	21	Grace Thompson
33	Alexa Rosales	OF	R/R	5-6	Fr.	HS	Chino Hills, Calif. (Chino Hills)	2	Ma'Nia Womack

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Jamie Trachsel, 4th season (St. Cloud St., 2001)
Assistant Coach: Daniel Nicolaisen, 1st season (Neumann, 2016)
Assistant Coach: Karl Gollan, 1st season (St. Ambrose University, 2024)
Assistant Coach: DJ Sanders, 1st season (Louisiana-Lafayette, 2018)

SUPPORT STAFF

Director of Operations: Savana Sikes, 1st season (Georgia, 2022)
Athletic Trainer: Brittney Roberts, 2nd season (Florida State, 2013)
Strength and Conditioning: Chas Ossenheimer, 4th season (UCF, 2009)
Graduate Managers: Matt Burke, Mackense Greico and Anna Tate

ROSTER BREAKDOWN

BY CLASS

Seniors | 4
Aynslie Furbush, Makenna Kliethermes
Delaney Rummell, Paige Smith

Juniors | 6
Lexie Brady, Angelina Deleon
Brianna Lopez, Annie Orman
Jaden Pone, Catelyn Riley

Sophomores | 6
Tenly Grisham, Jalia Lassiter
Jamie Mackay, Taylor Malvin
Grace Sparks, Ryan Starr

Redshirt Freshmen | 1
Grace Thompson

Freshmen | 4
Hallie Burns, Stella Gidcumb
Alexa Rosales, Ma'Nia Womack

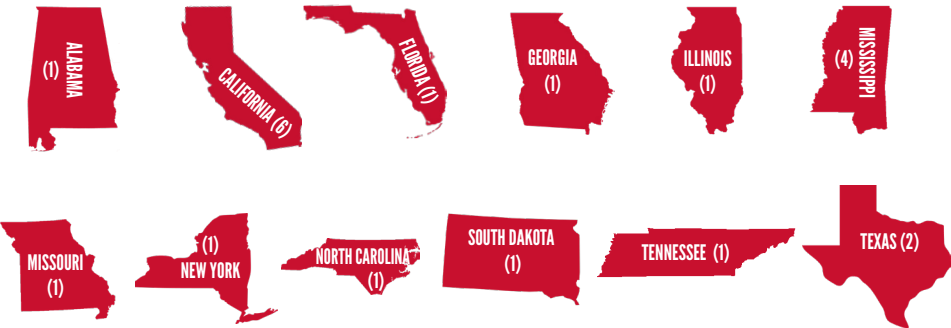
Newcomers | 8
Hallie Burns, Stella Gidcumb
Brianna Lopez, Jaden Pone
Alexa Rosales, Delaney Rummell
Ryan Starr, Ma'Nia Womack

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Angelina Deleon	DAY-Leon
Aynslie Furbush	ANNS-lee
Makenna Kliethermes	KLEE-thermus
Jalia Lassiter	JAY-la
Jamie Mackay	MUH-kay
Ma'Nia Womack	MUH-Ny-uh

Jamie Trachsel	TRACK-suhl

BY HOME STATE



SCOUTING REPORT

Samantha Ricketts is in her fifth year as head coach at Mississippi State, already with a Super Regional appearance under her belt back in 2022. The Bulldogs have had a hot start to their 2024 campaign, boasting a 17-3 overall record through non-conference play, wins over No. 8 Clemson, No. 13 Utah and a pair over No. 23 Louisiana. MSU is coming off a perfect 6-0 weekend at their own Bulldog Invitational. Heading into the opening weekend of SEC play, Mississippi State is ranked in all four major polls, checking in as high as No. 17 according to D1 Softball. Friday's matchup will be the 80th all-time meeting between the in-state rivals. Mississippi State leads the series 46-33, winning each of the last four games, including sweeping the last series in Starkville in 2022.

Mississippi State's lineup hits a combined .362 at the plate, ranking ninth nationally. Junior outfielder Sierra Sacco, who was a 2023 First Team All-Conference USA selection at Louisiana Tech last season, is one of the top bats in the Bulldog, hitting .391 so far this season. In addition to boasting one of the top offenses in the country, MSU also owns a top 10 ERA with a 1.57 mark led by Josey Marron in the circle, who has a perfect 7-0 record while pitching a team-high 40.0 innings, and Week 2 SEC Pitcher of the Week Aspen Wesley.

SIDE-BY-SIDE COMPARISON		
OLE MISS	CATEGORY	MISSISSIPPI STATE
15-5	Record	17-3
0-0	Conference Record	0-0
.321	Batting Average	.359
529	At Bats	474
120	Runs	145
170	Hits	170
25	Doubles	32
2	Triples	4
15	Home Runs	19
108	Runs Batted In	131
.461	Slugging Percentage	.563
29-34	Stolen Bases-Attempts	27-30
77	Walks	94
63	Strikeouts	69
.424	On-Base Percentage	.468
2.16	Team ERA	1.57
5.85	Opponent ERA	8.73
4	Saves	3
67	Walks Allowed	16
124	Strikeouts	108
.226	Batting Average Against	.204
20	Errors	24

LAST MEETING

March 20, 2022 • Ole Miss 0, MSU 6
Ole Miss softball dropped the series finale to Mississippi State 6-0 Sunday afternoon at Nusz Park to conclude its opening weekend of SEC play.

Savannah Diederich made her second start in the circle of weekend for Ole Miss (21-7, 0-3 SEC). Mississippi State (19-10, 4-2 SEC) managed to hand the righty her first loss of the season, racking up 10 hits.

The Bulldogs took a one-run lead in the second on an RBI bunt single. They continued to load the bases, but Diederich was able to escape the jam.

Mississippi State tacked on three more unearned runs in the fourth. A collision in the infield led to a dropped ball, and three singles helped MSU make it a 4-0 game.

Ole Miss turned to Brooke Vestal to start the fifth but brought Catelyn Riley in after the Bulldogs hit a two-run home run to push the lead to six.

Down to their final three outs, the Rebels notched their first hit of the afternoon as Aynslie Furbush singled through the left side.

SERIES HISTORY

Mississippi State leads, 46-33		
In Oxford:		17-18
In Starkville:		10-26
Neutral Site:		6-2
Longest Ole Miss Win Streak:		5, 2019-21
Longest MSU Win Streak:		9, 2011-15
Year	Site	Score
1997	Starkville	W, 3-2
1997	Starkville	L, 1-2 (8)
1997	Oxford	W, 1-0 (9)
1997	Oxford	W, 4-1
1998	Oxford	L, 0-7
1998	Starkville	L, 0-11
1998	Starkville	L, 3-4
1999	Oxford	W, 5-4
1999	Oxford	W, 4-1
1999	Oxford	L, 0-8
1999	Oxford	W, 8-0
2000	Starkville	L, 3-4
2000	Starkville	L, 4-7
2000	Starkville	L, 1-3
2000	Starkville	W, 6-0
2001	Oxford	L, 1-2
2001	Oxford	L, 5-7 (11)
2001	Oxford	L, 0-12
2002	Starkville	L, 0-1
2002	Starkville	L, 1-8
2002	Starkville	L, 0-1
2003	Oxford	L, 0-14
2003	Oxford	W, 6-5
2003	Oxford	W, 10-8
2004	Starkville	L, 0-8
2004	Starkville	L, 1-2
2004	Starkville	L, 2-7
2005	Starkville	W, 2-0
2005	Oxford	L, 0-4
2005	Jackson	W, 4-0
2006	Ridgeland	W, 2-1
2006	Oxford	W, 6-5
2006	Starkville	W, 1-0
2007	Madison	L, 2-5
2007	Starkville	W, 3-2
2007	Starkville	L, 4-7
2007	Starkville	L, 0-8 (6)
2008	Oxford	L, 3-5
2008	Oxford	L, 2-3
2008	Oxford	L, 3-8
2008	Ridgeland	W, 2-1
2009	Madison	W, 8-3
2009	Starkville	L, 2-6
2009	Starkville	L, 0-8 (5)
2010	Oxford	W, 6-4
2010	Oxford	W, 9-2
2010	Oxford	L, 5-11
2011	Starkville	W, 6-0
2011	Starkville	L, 0-3
2011	Starkville	L, 3-9
2012	Oxford	L, 3-5
2012	Oxford	L, 1-2
2012	Oxford	L, 3-10
2013	Starkville	L, 1-5
2013	Starkville	L, 5-6
2013	Starkville	L, 0-8 (6)
2015	Oxford	L, 6-8
2015	Oxford	W, 8-7 (9)
2015	Oxford	W, 14-8
2016	Starkville	W, 4-3
2016	Starkville	L, 0-1 (8)
2016	Starkville	W, 9-5
2017	Oxford	W, 2-0
2017	Knoxville	W, 2-1
2018	Oxford	L, 0-5
2018	Oxford	L, 0-6
2018	Oxford	W, 7-6
2019	Starkville	W, 21-0 (5)
2019	Starkville	L, 0-6
2019	Starkville	W, 3-1 (8)
2019	Bryan-College Station	W, 9-4
2021	Oxford	W, 6-0
2021	Oxford	W, 4-1
2021	Oxford	W, 8-0 (5)
2021	Tuscaloosa	L, 1-3
2022	Starkville	L, 8-9
2022	Starkville	L, 3-7
2022	Starkville	L, 0-6

BUILDING SOMETHING SPECIAL

One of the most exciting things fans and student-athletes have to look forward to in 2024 is a brand new softball stadium as part of Ole Miss' Champions. Now. Campaign. This past May, the Ole Miss Softball Complex, which served as the Rebels' home field since 1998 and has seen one SEC Tournament, two NCAA Regionals and countless other memories, saw its final game ever as the Rebels walked off No. 14 Alabama with a four-spot in the bottom of the seventh inning. Just 23 days later, construction crews began demolition on the ballpark as part of a brand new \$32 million facility upgrade. The Ole Miss Softball Stadium renovations will include numerous fan amenities, upgraded grandstands, restrooms and concessions. The team will also benefit from enlarged bullpens, as well as improved team offices, locker rooms and storage.

TRIPLE THREAT

One of the most consistent parts of the Ole Miss lineup is left fielder Jaden Pone. Reaching base any way she can, the junior is a triple threat at the plate with the ability to bunt, slap and swing away. Pone leads the team with a .418 batting average and .522 on-base percentage. A key addition to the Rebel offense, she also ranks second in hits with 23 and has reached base safely in each of her last 16 games. Although this is her first season in Oxford, Pone is no stranger to success at the plate. She ranks among the nation's best, boasting a .413 career batting average, the ninth best mark among active players in Division I.

NO PLACE LIKE HOME

The Ole Miss Softball Complex has been a fortress for the Rebels since the arrival of head coach Jamie Trachsel. After going 24-3 at home in 2021 and 19-6 in Oxford in 2022, Ole Miss defended its home field again last season, welcoming in four top-25 foes. Under Trachsel, the Rebels are 61-23 while playing at home, including 42-5 against non-conference opponents.

LEADOFF LASSITER

After capping off her rookie campaign with NFCA All-South Region Third Team Honors, Jalia Lassiter is proving to be one of the most electric players in the SEC. Just a sophomore, the Atmore, Alabama, native brings a different level of energy to the diamond with her game-changing speed, swagger and confidence. Hitting in the leadoff spot, she ranks third on the team with a .389 mark at the plate and leads the Rebels with 28 hits (26th nationally) so far this season. Lassiter has tallied multiple hits in nine contests and has reached base in all but two.

OFFENSIVE FIREPOWER

Racking up 170 hits through the first 20 games of the season, Ole Miss' offense has been firing on all cylinders. The Rebels boast a .321 batting average as a team, the fifth best mark in the SEC and 38th best nationally. Led by Jaden Pone and Aynslie Furbush, who both are hitting over .400. Further, the Rebels have recorded at least 10 hits in eight of their 20 contests so far this season, including 17 against Miami (OH) at the Clemson Classic, the most in the Trachsel Era and the third most by an SEC team this season.

Not only are the Rebels seeing the ball fly off the bat, but they are showing patience at the plate, drawing 77 walks (17th nationally) to boast the 19th best

THE REBELS' RECORD WHEN...		
Category	Overall	SEC
Overall	15-5	0-0
Home	3-2	0-0
Away	5-2	0-0
Neutral	7-1	0-0
Day games	12-3	0-0
Night (6 p.m. or later) games	3-2	0-0
In February	11-3	0-0
In March	4-2	0-0
In April	0-0	0-0
In May	0-0	0-0
vs. Left-handed starters	1-2	0-0
vs. Right-handed starters	14-3	0-0
vs. Ranked teams	0-2	0-0
One-run games	3-0	0-0
Two-run games	4-1	0-0
5+ run games	7-3	0-0
In extra innings	1-1	0-0
Shutouts	6-1	0-0
Scoring first	9-2	0-0
Scoring in 1st inning	6-2	0-0
Scoring 0-2 runs	3-2	0-0
Scoring 3-5 runs	4-3	0-0
Scoring 6-9 runs	3-0	0-0
Scoring 10 or more runs	5-0	0-0
Leading after four innings	10-1	0-0
Leading after five innings	10-1	0-0
Leading after six innings	8-0	0-0
Tied after six innings	1-1	0-0
Trailing after six innings	0-3	0-0
Outhitting the opponent	13-1	0-0
Outhit by the opponent	1-3	0-0
Same number of hits as opponent	1-1	0-0
Hitting a home run	7-2	0-0
Not hitting a home run	8-3	0-0
Allowing a home run	3-2	0-0
Not allowing a home run	12-3	0-0
Making no errors	8-0	0-0
Making one error	7-0	0-0
Making two or more errors	0-5	0-0
Opponent makes no errors	4-0	0-0
Opponent makes one error	4-2	0-0
Opponent makes two or more errors	7-3	0-0
In Powder Jerseys	1-0	0-0
In White Jerseys	1-1	0-0
In Navy Jerseys	2-3	0-0
In Red Jerseys	3-0	0-0
In Pinstripe Jerseys	4-0	0-0
In Gray Jerseys	4-1	0-0
In Teal Jerseys	0-0	0-0

on-base percentage in all of Division I softball at .424.

DON'T LET THE REBS GET HOT

Through the first 20 games of the 2024 campaign, Ole Miss softball is off to a blistering start. The Rebels boast a 15-5 record, their second-best start to a season under head coach Jamie Trachsel. Ole Miss bounced back after losing its season opener to BYU in Hawaii, winning 10 straight games. The Rebels dropped a pair of tough contests against No. 9 Clemson to round out February and went 3-2 at home last weekend in the Ole Miss Classic and run-ruled Memphis in a midweek tuneup before opening weekend of conference play.

RETURN OF THE MAK

One of the Rebels' top arms in the circle last season, Makenna Kliethermes, is back for her fifth year of eligibility and is on a tear in 2024. Through non-conference play to start the season, she boasts a 7-1 record, good for 23rd nationally. The Wardsville, Missouri, native has gone the distance in three of her victories while holding batters to a .181 mark at the plate and racking up 48 strikeouts (65th in the country) in 41.1 innings of work.

BRADY BUNCH

After patiently waiting for her opportunity, Lexie Brady took over as the Rebels' starting catcher for 19 of the final 20 games last season, powering Ole Miss down the stretch. Over Opening Weekend in Hawaii, she started her junior season off with a bang, mashing three home runs, including her first career multi-home run game, and driving in 11 runs. Brady, a Sioux Falls, South Dakota, native, has been a threat hitting cleanup for the majority of the season. She leads the team with six home runs (fourth in the SEC) and 21 RBI (11th in the SEC) on the season.

Not only is the junior an offensive weapon, but she is a general behind the plate. Brady leads the SEC and ranks 16th in the country with six runners caught stealing. She also boasts a perfect fielding percentage with 84 putouts and 12 assists.

LEGACY AND LOYALTY

Playing in her fifth and final season of eligibility, Paige Smith elected to return to Ole Miss for legacy and loyalty. With unfinished business on her mind, Smith looks to leave her mark as one of the program's top sluggers. A true threat in the middle of the Rebel lineup, she is one of seven players in Ole Miss history with 100 hits and 100 RBI and ranks second in the record books with 149 RBI. With over 200 career games under her belt, Smith brings a veteran presence to the team and looks to carry Ole Miss back on a deep postseason run.

TRANSFER TO THE 'SIP

Head Coach Jamie Trachsel dipped into the transfer portal this offseason to add

AROUND THE SEC

SEC STANDINGS

(as of 3/6)

School	SEC	Pct.	Overall	Pct.	Last 10	Strk
LSU	0-0	.000	19-0	1.000	10-0	W19
Alabama	0-0	.000	19-1	.950	9-1	W1
Texas A&M	0-0	.000	19-2	.905	8-2	W2
South Carolina	0-0	.000	18-2	.900	9-1	W7
Missouri	0-0	.000	17-2	.895	8-2	W4
Florida	0-0	.000	19-3	.864	9-1	L1
Mississippi State	0-0	.000	17-3	.850	8-2	W6
Georgia	0-0	.000	15-3	.833	7-3	L2
Auburn	0-0	.000	12-2-1	.833	9-1	W7
Arkansas	0-0	.000	17-4	.810	8-2	W1
Kentucky	0-0	.000	13-4	.765	7-3	W1
Tennessee	0-0	.000	13-4	.765	8-2	W5
Ole Miss	0-0	.000	15-5	.750	6-4	W2

PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Week 1: Rylie West (Tennessee)

Week 2: Jocelyn Erickson (UF) & Allie Enright (TAMU)

Week 3: Jenna Johnson (Ala.) & Ali Newland (LSU)

Week 4: Korbe Otis (UF)

Week 5:

Week 6:

Week 7:

Week 8:

Week 9:

Week 10:

Week 11:

Week 12:

Week 13:

PITCHER OF THE WEEK

Week 1: Stephanie Schoonover (Kentucky)

Week 2: Aspen Wesley (MSU) & Emiley Kennedy (TAMU)

Week 3: Emiley Kennedy (TAMU)

Week 4: Maddie Penta (Auburn)

Week 5:

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Week 9:

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Week 11:

Week 12:

Week 13:

FRESHMAN OF THE WEEK

Week 1: Lauren Johnson (Ala.) & Olivia Miller (UF)

Week 2: Keagan Rothrock (UF)

Week 3: Ava Brown (UF)

Week 4: Keagan Rothrock (UF)

Week 5:

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RANKINGS ROUNDUP																	
	Preseason	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	Final
USA Today/NFCA	--	--	--	--	--												
USA Softball/ESPN	RV	--	--	--	--												
Softball America	--	--	--	--	--												
D1 Softball	--	--	--	--	--												
NCAA RPI	--	--	--	--	63												

top-tier talent to her 2024 roster, welcoming in four transfers who have made an immediate impact.

Brianna Lopez joins the Rebels after spending two seasons at Hawaii, where she posted a career 2.25 ERA with 30 victories in the circle and a pair of All-Big West honors. With Ole Miss this season, Lopez has nine appearances out of the bullpen to go along with a 2.21 ERA and .178 opponent batting average.

After spending four seasons with the Illini, Delaney Rummell signed to play her final year of eligibility in Oxford. The former All-Big Ten Defensive Team and All-Big Ten Second Teamer assumed the Rebels’ starting third base job and never looked back. Through the first 20 games, Rummell is batting .355 and is one of three in the lineup with at least 20 hits.

2023 Big South Player of the Year and First Team NFCA All-Region second baseman Jaden Pone comes to Oxford after spending two seasons at Longwood, where she tallied 153 hits, 82 runs scored and 62 stolen bases. Pone, who made the transition to the outfield this season, leads the Rebels at the plate with a .418 batting average and is reaching base in 52 percent of her at-bats.

Ryan Starr joins the Rebels after starting 42 games in her freshman year at Syracuse last season. She quickly established herself as the starting shortstop for Ole Miss in the fall and has made an immediate impact in the lineup, boasting a .256 average and a stable presence on defense.

THE LAST TIME...

Ole Miss

Scored 15+ runs in a game	February 10, 2024 at Hawaii (W, 15-0 (5))
Scored 20+ runs in a game	April 19, 2019 vs. Mississippi State (W, 21-0)
Recorded 15+ hits in a game	February 24, 2024 vs. Miami (OH) (17)
Recorded 20+ hits in a game	March 11, 2015 vs. UAPB (21)
Drew 10 or more walks in a game	May 11, 2022 vs. Georgia (10)
Stole seven or more bases in a game	February 19, 2020 vs. Mississippi Valley State (9)
Defeated a top-five ranked team	February 17, 2018 vs. No. 3 Oregon (W, 1-0 (9))
Defeated the No. 1 ranked team	May 11, 2017 vs. No. 1 Florida - SEC Tournament Quarterfinals (W, 2-0)
Defeated a ranked opponent at home	May 7, 2023 vs. No. 14 Alabama (W, 5-4)
Defeated a ranked opponent on the road	April 29, 2023 at No. 14 Florida (W, 7-2)
Defeated ranked opponent at a neutral site	May 20, 2023 vs. No. 18 Baylor (W, 9-2)
Won a run-rule game	March 5, 2024 at Memphis (W, 9-0 (6))
Won an extra-inning game	February 9, 2024 vs. Nevada (W, 3-2 (18))
Lost an extra-inning game	March 2, 2024 vs. Southeastern Louisiana (L, 4-9 (8))
Came back in the 7th inning for a victory	May 7, 2023 vs. No. 14 Alabama (W, 5-4)

A Rebel

Recorded 4+ hits in a game	4, Jaden Pone at Kennesaw State (2/17/24)
Scored 4+ runs in a game	4, Tate Whitley at Georgia (5/7/22)
Drove in 5+ runs in a game	5, Abbey Latham vs. Eastern Kentucky (2/19/22)
Hit 2+ home runs in a game	2, Paige Smith at Memphis (3/5/24)
Hit a grand slam	Keila Kamoku vs. Southern Illinois (2/16/23)
Hit back-to-back home runs	Lexie Brady and Paige Smith vs. Miami (OH) (2/24/24)
Hit back-to-back-to-back home runs	Brittany Finney, Alex Schneider, Abbey Latham vs. UT Martin (4/25/15)
Drew 4+ walks in a game	4, Autumn Gillespie at UAB (2/22/20)
Stole 3+ bases in a game	3, Jalia Lassiter vs. Memphis (3/28/23)
Had a walk-off home run	Three-run home run, Aynslee Furbush vs. No. 21 Texas A&M (4/21/23)
Had a walk-off hit	RBI-double, Mya Stevenson vs. No. 14 Alabama (5/7/23)
Led off a game with a home run	Blaise Biringir vs. Sam Houston (2/27/21)
Hit an inside-the-park home run	Jalia Lassiter at Kennesaw State (2/17/24)

Pitched a seven-inning complete-game shutout	Aynslee Furbush vs. SEMO (3/4/23)
Pitched an extra-inning complete-game shutout	8 innings, Anna Borgen vs. Auburn (4/23/20)
Pitched a perfect game	Carly Hummel vs. Utah State (3/3/14)
Pitched a combined no-hitter	Savannah Diederich, Brooke Vestal, Landyn Bruce vs. Tennessee State (4/5/22)
Pitched a solo no-hitter	Carly Hummel vs. Utah State (3/3/14)
Pitched a seven-inning complete game one-hitter	Aynslee Furbush vs. SEMO (3/4/23)
Recorded 12+ strikeouts in a game	13, Makenna Kliethermes vs. Mount St. Mary's (3/3/23)
Pitched 10+ innings in a game	10.0 innings, Molly Jacobsen vs. No. 6 Florida (3/29/19)

NATIONAL POLLS

USA Today/NFCA Coaches Top 25 Poll

(as of March 5, 2024)

Rank	Team	Record	Prev.
1	Oklahoma	18-1	1
2	Texas	17-1	2
3	LSU	19-0	4
4	Oklahoma State	17-2	3
5	Washington	16-2	6
6	Duke	16-1	7
7	Georgia	15-3	5
8	Tennessee	12-4	9
9	Stanford	13-4	11
10	Clemson	12-4	8
11	Alabama	19-1	10
12	Missouri	17-2	14
13	Florida	19-2	13
14	Florida State	11-4	12
15	California	19-2	20
16	UCLA	11-6	18
17	Texas A&M	19-2	17
18	Arkansas	17-4	15
19	Baylor	11-3	21
20	Virginia Tech	15-3-1	23
21	Arizona	17-3-1	19
22	South Carolina	18-2	22
23	Kentucky	13-4	16
24	Mississippi State	17-3	24
25	Auburn	12-2-1	-

Others Receiving Votes: Oregon (25), Boston University (24), Miami (16), Louisiana (15), Northwestern (11), Penn State (9), Utah (9).

USA Softball Top 25 Poll

(as of March 5, 2024)

Rank	Team	Record	Prev.
1	Texas	17-1	2
2	Oklahoma	18-1	1
3	LSU	19-0	5
4	Duke	16-1	6
5	Washington	16-2	4
6	Georgia	15-3	3
7	Oklahoma State	17-2	7
8	Stanford	13-4	10
9	Tennessee	12-4	8
10	Alabama	19-1	11
11	Clemson	13-4	9
12	Missouri	17-2	13
13	Florida	19-3	15
14	Baylor	11-3	17
15	Virginia Tech	15-3-1	20
16	Florida State	11-4	12
17	Cal	19-2	24
18	UCLA	11-6	19
19	Texas A&M	19-2	18
20	Arkansas	18-4	16
21	Kentucky	13-4	14
22	South Carolina	18-2	22
23	Mississippi State	17-3	23
24	Arizona	17-3-1	21
25	Auburn	12-2-1	25

Others Receiving Votes: Boston U (23), Louisiana (23), Nebraska (13), Texas State (12), Utah (11), Oregon (8), South Alabama (7), Miami-OH (4), Wichita State (4), Indiana (3), Louisville (1), San Diego State (1)

REBEL DEBUTS

So far this season, seven different Rebels have played their first game in an Ole Miss uniform. Transfers Jaden Pone, Delaney Rummell and Ryan Starr have all found a spot in the starting lineup, while Brianna Lopez has made an impact out of the bullpen. Freshman Alexa Rosales and Ma’Nia Womack also made their collegiate debuts in Hawaii, with Womack recording her first career home run. After missing the entire 2023 season with an injury, redshirt freshman Grace Thompson also stepped onto the field for the first time in her career.

NEW FACES ON THE DIAMOND

Along with eight new faces to the locker room, head coach Jamie Trachsel also welcomed in three new members to her coaching staff ahead of the 2024 season.

Daniel Nicolaisen arrives in Oxford with an elite resume that includes four years in the St. Louis Cardinals organization, where he was promoted to the major-league staff as an assistant hitting coach at the age of 29, three seasons with Seton Hall softball and background in men’s fastpitch that features two European Championship titles.

Karl Gollan comes to Oxford with over 30 years of softball playing experience, including 25 years at the international and world championship level. A former member of New Zealand’s national team from 2004-2017, he helped lead his country to the top spot in the WBSC/ISF and ISC rankings. As a coach, Gollan assisted the NZ Black Sox and still serves as an advisor for the national team. He also has experience working with athletes, many of whom have gone on to play college softball at his School of Fastpitch.

DJ Sanders returns to the Magnolia State, joining the Rebels from the professional ranks of Athletes Unlimited. The Columbus, Mississippi, native was a 2017 NFCA First Team All-American at Louisiana and has recently coached with Memphis, Mississippi State and Missouri.

REBELS IN THE SEC/NCAA (2024)

TEAM	VALUE	SEC	NCAA
Batting Average	.321	5	38
Double Plays Per Game	0.35	7	98
Doubles	25	10	71
Doubles Per Game	1.25	9	114
Earned Run Average	2.16	11	38
Fielding Percentage	.964	12	110
Home Runs Per Game	0.75	11	62
On Base Percentage	.424	5	19
Scoring	6.00	10	37
Shutouts	6	6	13
Slugging Percentage	.461	12	56
Stolen Bases Per Game	1.45	6	79
Strikeout-to-Walk Ratio	1.85	13	115
Win-Loss Percentage	.750	11	39
Walks	77	6	17

INDIVIDUAL			
LEXIE BRADY			
Home Runs	6	4	34
RBI Per Game	1.05	11	83
Caught Stealing By	6	1	16

AYNSLIE FURBUSH			
Saves	3	1	7

MAKENNA KLIETHERMES			
Hits Per Seven Innings	4.57	18	69
Strikeouts	48	11	65
Strikeouts Per Seven Innings	8.1	11	54
Wins	7	6	23

JALIA LASSITER			
Hits	28	3	26
Stolen Bases	13	1	11

JADEN PONE			
On Base Percentage	.522	12	82
Stolen Bases	8	8	87

PAIGE SMITH			
Doubles	7	2	34

HOME RUN TRACKER (2024)

Player	Date	Opp.	OB	Inn.	Outs	Score
Lexie Brady	2/8	BYU	2	7	2	1-7
Lexie Brady	2/9	Kansas City	0	3	0	0-1
Aynslie Furbush	2/9	Kansas City	0	3	0	1-1
Jamie Mackay	2/9	Kansas City	0	3	1	2-1
Lexie Brady	2/9	Kansas City	2	6	1	6-1
Ma’Nia Womack	2/10	Hawaii	0	5	0	11-0
Lexie Brady	2/16	Kennesaw State	1	1	2	0-0
Jalia Lassiter	2/17	Kennesaw State	2	5	2	8-3
Lexie Brady	2/24	Miami (OH)	2	5	0	2-7
Paige Smith	2/24	Miami (OH)	0	5	0	5-7
Delaney Rummell	2/24	Miami (OH)	1	7	1	8-7
Paige Smith	3/2	SLU	1	4	0	1-2
Lexie Brady	3/3	UAB	1	4	0	0-0
Paige Smith	3/5	Memphis	1	1	1	0-0
Paige Smith	3/5	Memphis	0	4	1	5-0

MISCELLANEOUS STATS (2024)

Multiple Hit Games	2	3	4	5+	Total	Multiple RBI Games	2	3	4	5+	Total
1 Jalia Lassiter	6	3	-	-	9	31 Lexie Brady	2	3	1	-	6
6 Jaden Pone	4	2	1	-	7	1 Jalia Lassiter	2	1	2	-	5
9 Paige Smith	3	2	-	-	5	10 Delaney Rummell	2	2	-	-	4
10 Delaney Rummell	3	2	-	-	5	9 Paige Smith	2	-	2	-	4
20 Jamie Mackay	1	1	1	-	3	6 Jaden Pone	2	-	-	-	2
18 Aynslie Furbush	2	1	-	-	3	18 Aynslie Furbush	1	1	-	-	2
31 Lexie Brady	2	1	-	-	3	2 Ma’Nia Womack	1	-	-	-	1
8 Annie Orman	-	1	-	-	1	27 Ryan Starr	1	-	-	-	1
27 Ryan Starr	1	-	-	-	1	8 Annie Orman	-	-	1	-	1
TEAM	22	13	2	0	37	20 Jamie Mackay	1	-	-	-	1
						26 Angelina DeLeon	1	-	-	-	1
						TEAM	15	7	6	0	28

Hitting Streaks	Longest	Current	Reached Base Streaks	Longest	Current
10 Delaney Rummell	10	-	6 Jaden Pone	16	16
1 Jalia Lassiter	9	2	10 Delaney Rummell	10	-
18 Aynslie Furbush	7	5	18 Aynslie Furbush	10	6
6 Jaden Pone	6	-	20 Jamie Mackay	9	1
20 Jamie Mackay	6	1	1 Jalia Lassiter	9	4
31 Lexie Brady	5	-	27 Ryan Starr	6	2
9 Paige Smith	4	4	22 Taylor Malvin	6	6
27 Ryan Starr	2	-	31 Lexie Brady	5	4
22 Taylor Malvin	2	-	9 Paige Smith	4	4
26 Angelina DeLeon	2	1	26 Angelina DeLeon	4	2
8 Annie Orman	1	-	2 Ma’Nia Womack	2	1
2 Ma’Nia Womack	1	1	8 Annie Orman	2	1
			21 Grace Thompson	1	-
			33 Alexa Rosales	1	-

JAMIE TRACHSEL

RUN DOWN

Head coach Jamie Trachsel enters her fourth season at the helm of the Ole Miss softball program heading into the 2024 season. In just three years in Oxford, she has guided the Rebels to back-to-back-back NCAA Regional Finals appearances. In 2023, she became the fastest coach in Ole Miss Softball history to achieve her 100th victory, needing only 159 games to accomplish the feat.

The sixth head softball coach in Ole Miss history and the 2019 NFCA Great Lakes Region Coach of the Year, Trachsel has collected 11 conference regular-season and tournament championships, developed 48 all-conference honorees, and guided her teams to the NCAA Tournament in 10-of-12 seasons, including a trip to the 2019 Women's College World Series with the Golden Gophers.

Despite playing the sixth toughest schedule in the nation in 2023, Trachsel's squad battled adversity and finished with a 32-28 record and an 8-16 mark in the SEC. The Rebels solidified their spot in the postseason after knocking off ranked opponents in conference play all season, earning a spot in the Salt Lake City Regional, where they went on to play in the Regional Final.

Ole Miss opened the season in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, before returning stateside for three other non-conference tournaments, including a pair in Oxford. The Rebels began conference play where they would earn victories over No. 10 LSU, No. 19 Auburn, No. 15 Kentucky, No. 21 Texas A&M, No. 14 Florida and No. 14 Alabama, as well as take the series at Missouri. Trachsel also earned her 100th career victory at Ole Miss on April 9, becoming the fastest coach in program history to reach the milestone. Ole Miss earned a spot as the No. 11 seed in the SEC Tournament and went on to win its opening game for the second consecutive year. In the NCAA Tournament, the Rebels advanced to the Regional Final with a pair of wins over Baylor, including a shutout, but fell to No. 15 national seed and host Utah.

Freshman Jalia Lassiter earned NFCA All-South Region honors, grabbing a spot on the third team, while senior Tate Whitley was named to the SEC All-Defensive team. Whitley and senior Mya Stevenson also registered their 200th career hits nearly a week apart. Graduate transfer Savana Sikes tied for the team lead with 48 hits, while fifth-year senior Mikayla Allee put together the best offensive season of her career, posting a .288 average (third on the team) and 46 hits (18 more than her single-season high). The Rebels also saw success in the circle, with Aynslee Furbush and Catelyn Riley leading the way with nine and eight wins, respectively.

The 2022 campaign was one for the record books as Trachsel and Ole Miss got off to a blistering 21-4 start to the season, tied for the best record through 25 games in program history. The Rebels won 41 games on the year, the second most in a single season

in school history. With a tough conference slate that featured three consecutive series against top-10 opponents, Ole Miss managed to pick up marquee wins over No. 9 Arkansas and No. 8 Kentucky. The Rebels got hot down the stretch, winning nine of their final 11 contests and taking series from No. 11 Tennessee and at No. 16 Georgia to close out the regular season and tie the program record with 38 regular season victories.

Ending the regular season with a 38-16 mark, Ole Miss cracked the top 25 in multiple polls and finished eighth in the SEC. The Rebels went on to win a game at the SEC Tournament for the first time since 2019 and secure the program's sixth straight NCAA Regional bid, earning the No. 2 seed in the Los Angeles Regional. Despite dropping the opening game of the regional, they climbed back into the regional final with wins over Grand Canyon and LMU before falling to No. 5 UCLA.

Following a standout season, three Rebel outfielders in Tate Whitley, Abbey Latham and Bre Roper each earned NFCA All-Region honors. Whitley led the SEC in hits with 74 during the regular season, while Latham became the program's all-time RBI leader in March. Roper shined as a graduate transfer, she ranked second on the team with a .364 batting average and 64 hits and 39 runs scored. Ole Miss also saw unparalleled success in the classroom, posting a 3.70 team GPA during the spring semester, the highest in program history.

Picked to finish dead last in the 2021 SEC Preseason Coaches Poll, Ole Miss exceeded all expectations in Trachsel's first campaign at the helm. The Rebels collected a 36-22 overall record, including a 12-12 mark in SEC play, good for an eighth place finish and the second most conference victories in program history. Ole Miss received its fifth-consecutive NCAA Tournament bid for its work, earning the No. 2 seed in the Tucson Regional. The Rebels made Oxford a fortress in Trachsel's inaugural season, posting a 24-3 home record, including the first-ever sweep of rival Mississippi State and a three-game sweep of No. 25 UCF.

Under Trachsel's guidance, four Rebels received SEC postseason honors, tied for the most in a single season in program history. Paige Smith was named to the newly minted SEC All-Newcomer Team, while rookies Blaise Biringer and Aynslee Furbush received a nod for the all-freshman squad. One of the most feared backstops in the country, Rebel catcher Autumn Gillespie was tabbed to the SEC All-Defense Team.

In her three-year stint with the Golden Gophers, Trachsel took over a program on the rise and kept the ascent going to the upper echelon of the softball world. After finishing off her inaugural season in Minneapolis with 41 wins, a Big Ten Tournament title, an appearance in the NCAA Seattle Regional Final and four All-Big Ten and NFCA All-Region honorees,



QUICK HITS

POSITION	HEAD COACH
HOME TOWN	DULUTH, MINN.
ALMA MATER	ST. CLOUD STATE, '01
CAREER RECORD	470-258-1 (14 SEASONS)
OLE MISS RECORD	124-74 (FOUR SEASONS)

Trachsel helmed the Gophers to their most prolific season in history in 2019.

Playing arguably the nation's most challenging schedule, Minnesota racked up a 41-12 record during the regular season, setting the stage for a magical postseason run. The No. 8 national seeded Gophers ripped through the Regional and Super Regional rounds of the NCAA Tournament with five straight wins, including two apiece over SEC foes in No. 14 Georgia and No. 10 LSU. Minnesota then set sail for Oklahoma City, making its first trip to the Women's College World Series in the NCAA era.

Five Gophers were named to the All-Big Ten and NFCA All-Region squads, respectively, following Trachsel's second season at Minnesota, while Gopher ace Amber Fiser was named the Big Ten Pitcher of the Year and a First Team All-American.

Minnesota finished the season ranked No. 8 in both the USA Today/NFCA Top-25 Coaches Poll and the ESPN.com/USA Softball Collegiate Top-25 Poll. The No. 8 ranking is the highest the Gophers have finished a season in either major poll. Minnesota also finished



No. 7 in the NCAA RPI, which is not only the school's highest RPI to finish a season, but the highest at any point in program history. For their efforts, Trachsel and her staff were named the NFCA Great Lakes All-Region Coaching Staff of the Year.

Ranked in the top 10 in five different preseason polls heading into 2020, Trachsel and the Gophers hit the ground running once again. Minnesota collected a 15-9-1 record prior to the cancelation of the remainder of the spring season due to the coronavirus, including ranked wins over No. 5 Florida State and No. 19 Missouri. Sophomore slugger Natalie DenHartog was tabbed a Shortened Season All-American by Softball America.

The Gophers also made history in the classroom under Trachsel. Their spring 2019 semester GPA of 3.63 was the highest in program history, while eleven different players notched 2019 Academic All-Big Ten honors. In total, Trachsel's players have received 41 academic all-league honors.

Prior to taking over Minnesota, Trachsel spent one season in the Big XII as the head coach at Iowa State. She led the Cyclones to a fifth-place conference finish in 2017, garnering their highest league win total in eight years along with the best regular-season Big XII finish since 1994. Trachsel's squad also saw improvement in the circle, dropping its team ERA by nearly two runs per game to the lowest since 2010. Two Cyclones earned NFCA All-Region First Team honors in Kelsey McFarland and Sami Williams, the latter selected to the All-Big XII First Team as well, one of only three freshmen league-wide to earn that award.

Trachsel arrived in Ames following 14 seasons at North Dakota State, including the final six as co-head coach. In those half-dozen seasons, NDSU compiled a 221-109 overall record (.670), a 98-19 mark (.838) in the Summit League and advanced to NCAA Regional

play five times. The Bison won their conference regular-season championship and the tournament championship five times each with Trachsel as co-head coach.

NDSU won at least 30 games — including a school-record 45 in 2015 when it climbed as high as 41st in the NCAA Percentage Ratings Index (RPI) — for 10 straight seasons. The Bison advanced to the NCAA Regionals in seven of Trachsel's final eight seasons in Fargo. In 2009, NDSU pulled a shocking upset, claiming the Norman Regional over perennial power Oklahoma.

Her tenure with NDSU began with two seasons (2002-04) as a graduate assistant, followed by three (2005-07) as an assistant coach, three (2008-10) as associate head coach and the last six (2011-16) as co-head coach.

During her stay in Fargo, Trachsel coached five All-Americans, 25 All-Region players and 59 All-Conference student athletes, including five Summit League Players of the Year and five Summit League Pitchers of the Year. The Minnesota native was also a part of staffs recognized as NFCA Midwest Region Coaching Staff of the Year twice in 2009 and 2015.

As a player, Trachsel competed for NCAA Division II program St. Cloud State in St. Cloud, Minnesota. She led the Huskies to three straight NCAA Division II tournament appearances and one conference title. Trachsel made the 1999 NCAA Division II All-Region Tournament Team and received All-Academic honors from the NFCA twice. SCSU won 127 games during her career.

As a prep athlete, Trachsel earned 17 letters across four sports at Duluth (Minn.) Central High School. She is also a nine-time national champion in racquetball (1988-93 and 2003-05).

YEAR-BY-YEAR RECORD

Year	School	W-L	Conf.	Postseason
2011	NDSU	30-27	17-7	NCAA Regionals
2012	NDSU	38-22	18-6	NCAA Regionals
2013	NDSU	33-16	17-1	Summit Tournament
2014	NDSU	36-18	13-3	NCAA Regionals
2015	NDSU	45-11	16-2	NCAA Regionals
2016	NDSU	39-15	17-0	NCAA Regionals
2017	Iowa State	23-35	6-12	Big XI Tournament
2018	Minnesota	41-17	17-4	NCAA Regionals
2019	Minnesota	46-14	20-2	WCWS
2020	Minnesota	15-9-1	0-0	Season Canceled
2021	Ole Miss	36-22	12-12	NCAA Regionals
2022	Ole Miss	41-19	12-12	NCAA Regionals
2023	Ole Miss	32-28	8-16	NCAA Regionals
Total	13 Seasons	455-253-1	173-77	

PATH TO OLE MISS

	Ole Miss Head Coach	2021 -
	Minnesota Head Coach	2018-20
	Iowa State Head Coach	2017
	North Dakota State Co-Head Coach	2011-16
	North Dakota State Associate Head Coach	2008-10
	North Dakota State Assistant Coach	2005-07
	North Dakota State Graduate Assistant	2002-04

GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS BY POSITION										
Opponent	C	1B	2B	3B	SS	LF	CF	RF	DP/Flex	P
Feb. 8 - vs. BYU	Brady	Smith	DeLeon	Rummell	Starr	Pone	Lassiter	Orman	Furbush	Riley
Feb. 9 - vs. Nevada	Mackay	Smith	DeLeon	Rummell	Starr	Pone	Lassiter	Furbush	Brady	Kliethermes
Feb. 9 - vs. Kansas City	Brady	Smith	DeLeon	Rummell	Starr	Pone	Lassiter	Mackay	Furbush	Sparks
Feb. 10 - at Hawaii	Brady	Smith	DeLeon	Rummell	Starr	Malvin	Lassiter	Mackay	Orman	Riley
Feb. 11 - at Hawaii	Brady	Smith	DeLeon	Rummell	Starr	Pone	Lassiter	Mackay	Orman	Kliethermes
Feb. 16 - vs. Pitt	Brady	Smith	DeLeon	Rummell	Starr	Pone	Lassiter	Mackay	Orman	Sparks
Feb. 16 - at Kennesaw State	Brady	Smith	DeLeon	Rummell	Starr	Malvin	Lassiter	Pone	Furbush	Kliethermes
Feb. 17 - vs. ETSU	Brady	Smith	DeLeon	Rummell	Starr	Pone	Lassiter	Orman	Furbush	Riley
Feb. 17 - at Kennesaw State	Brady	Smith	DeLeon	Rummell	Starr	Pone	Lassiter	Orman	Furbush	Sparks
Feb. 18 - vs. Pitt	Mackay	Smith	DeLeon	Rummell	Starr	Pone	Lassiter	Furbush	Brady	Kliethermes
Feb. 23 - vs. UConn	Mackay	Smith	DeLeon	Rummell	Starr	Malvin	Lassiter	Pone	Brady	Furbush
Feb. 23 - at Clemson	Brady	Smith	DeLeon	Rummell	Starr	Pone	Lassiter	Mackat	Furbush	Kliethermes
Feb. 24 - vs. Miami (OH)	Brady	Smith	DeLeon	Rummell	Starr	Pone	Lassiter	Mackay	Furbush	Sparks
Feb. 25 - at Clemson	Brady	Smith	DeLeon	Rummell	Starr	Pone	Lassiter	Mackay	/	Furbush
March 1 - SELA	Brady	Smith	DeLeon	Rummell	Starr	Pone	Lassiter	Mackay	Furbush	Kliethermes
March 1 - UAB	Brady	Smith	DeLeon	Rummell	Starr	Pone	Lassiter	Mackay	/	Furbush
March 2 - Kent State	Brady	Smith	DeLeon	Rummell	Starr	Pone	Lassiter	Mackay	Furbush	Kliethermes
March 2 - SELA	Brady	Smith	DeLeon	Rummell	Starr	Pone	Lassiter	Mackay	/	Furbush
March 3 - UAB	Brady	Smith	DeLeon	Rummell	Starr	Pone	Lassiter	Mackay	Furbush	Sparks
March 5 - at Memphis	Mackay	Smith	DeLeon	Rummell	Starr	Pone	Lassiter	Furbush	Brady	Riley
March 8 - MSU										
March 9 - MSU										
March 10 - MSU										
March 13 - at Nicholls										
March 13 - at Nicholls										
March 15 - at LSU										
March 16 - at LSU										
March 17 - at LSU										
March 22 - Georgia										
March 23 - Georgia										
March 24 - Georgia										
March 29 - South Carolina										
March 30 - South Carolina										
March 31 - South Carolina										
April 2 - UT Martin										
April 5 - at Alabama										
April 6 - at Alabama										
April 7 - at Alabama										
April 9 - at Louisiana Tech										
April 9 - at Louisiana Tech										
April 10 - Southern Miss										
April 12 - WKU										
April 13 - WKU										
April 14 - WKU										
April 19 - at Texas A&M										
April 20 - at Texas A&M										
April 21 - at Texas A&M										
April 26 - Auburn										
April 27 - Auburn										
April 28 - Auburn										
May 3 - at Arkansas										
May 4 - at Arkansas										
May 5 - at Arkansas										

GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS BY BATTING ORDER									
Opponent	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Feb. 8 - vs. BYU	Lassiter	Pone	Smith	Brady	Orman	Rummell	Furbush	DeLeon	Starr
Feb. 9 - vs. Nevada	Lassiter	Pone	Smith	Brady	Furbush	Rummell	Mackay	DeLeon	Starr
Feb. 9 - vs. Kansas City	Lassiter	Pone	Smith	Brady	Furbush	Rummell	Mackay	DeLeon	Starr
Feb. 10 - at Hawaii	Lassiter	Rummell	Smith	Brady	Mackay	Orman	DeLeon	Malvin	Starr
Feb. 11 - at Hawaii	Lassiter	Pone	Smith	Brady	Rummell	Mackay	Orman	DeLeon	Starr
Feb. 16 - vs. Pitt	Lassiter	Pone	Smith	Brady	Rummell	Mackay	Orman	DeLeon	Starr
Feb. 16 - at Kennesaw State	Lassiter	Pone	Smith	Brady	Rummell	Furbush	Malvin	DeLeon	Starr
Feb. 17 - vs. ETSU	Lassiter	Pone	Smith	Brady	Rummell	Furbush	Orman	DeLeon	Starr
Feb. 17 - at Kennesaw State	Lassiter	Pone	Smith	Brady	Rummell	Furbush	Orman	DeLeon	Starr
Feb. 18 - vs. Pitt	Lassiter	Pone	Smith	Brady	Rummell	Furbush	Mackay	DeLeon	Starr
Feb. 23 - vs. UConn	Lassiter	Pone	Smith	Brady	Rummell	Mackay	Furbush	Malvin	Starr
Feb. 23 - at Clemson	Lassiter	Pone	Smith	Brady	Rummell	Furbush	Mackay	DeLeon	Starr
Feb. 24 - vs. Miami (OH)	Lassiter	Pone	Rummell	Furbush	Mackay	Brady	Smith	DeLeon	Starr
Feb. 25 - at Clemson	Lassiter	Pone	Rummell	Furbush	Mackay	Brady	Smith	DeLeon	Starr
March 1 - SELA	Lassiter	Pone	Rummell	Brady	Mackay	Smith	Furbush	DeLeon	Starr
March 1 - UAB	Lassiter	Pone	Rummell	Brady	Mackay	Smith	Furbush	DeLeon	Starr
March 2 - Kent State	Lassiter	Pone	Rummell	Brady	Mackay	Furbush	Smith	DeLeon	Starr
March 2 - SELA	Lassiter	Pone	Rummell	Brady	Mackay	Furbush	Smith	DeLeon	Starr
March 3 - UAB	Lassiter	Pone	Smith	Brady	Mackay	Rummell	Furbush	DeLeon	Starr
March 5 - at Memphis	Lassiter	Pone	Smithh	Brady	Rummell	Mackay	Furbush	DeLeon	Starr
March 8 - MSU									
March 9 - MSU									
March 10 - MSU									
March 13 - at Nicholls									
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March 15 - at LSU									
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April 10 - Southern Miss									
April 12 - WKU									
April 13 - WKU									
April 14 - WKU									
April 20 - at Texas A&M									
April 21 - at Texas A&M									
April 22 - at Texas A&M									
April 26 - Auburn									
April 27 - Auburn									
April 28 - Auburn									
May 3 - at Arkansas									
May 4 - at Arkansas									
May 5 - at Arkansas									

2024 SEASON STATISTICS

2024 Ole Miss Softball
Overall Statistics for Ole Miss (as of Mar 05, 2024)
(All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 15-5 Home: 3-2 Away: 5-2 Neutral: 7-1 SEC: 0-0

Player	avg	gp-gs	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	tb	slg%	bb	hp	so	gdp	ob%	sf	sh	sb-att	po	a	e	fld%
6 Jaden Pone	.418	20-19	55	16	23	2	0	0	6	25	.455	12	0	4	0	.522	0	4	8-9	19	1	1	.952
18 Aynslie Furbush	.405	17-17	42	4	17	2	0	1	9	22	.524	5	3	5	0	.500	0	1	0-0	3	10	1	.929
1 Jalia Lassiter	.389	20-20	72	12	28	3	1	1	17	36	.500	7	0	3	0	.443	0	0	13-14	19	1	0	1.000
20 Jamie Mackay	.362	16-16	47	10	17	4	0	1	7	24	.511	5	2	4	0	.444	0	3	0-0	46	3	1	.980
10 Delaney Rummell	.355	20-20	62	8	22	2	0	1	14	27	.435	7	0	5	0	.420	0	0	0-0	14	31	6	.882
9 Paige Smith	.295	20-20	61	15	18	7	0	4	15	37	.607	8	5	4	0	.413	1	0	0-0	130	4	5	.964
31 Lexie Brady	.279	20-20	61	15	17	0	1	6	21	37	.607	8	2	14	1	.375	1	0	2-3	84	12	0	1.000
27 Ryan Starr	.256	20-20	39	12	10	1	0	0	3	11	.282	5	1	6	0	.356	0	5	1-1	33	44	4	.951
26 Angelina DeLeon	.167	20-20	42	7	7	2	0	0	6	9	.214	10	4	9	1	.375	0	1	0-0	29	29	2	.967

22 Taylor Malvin	.333	18-3	12	13	4	0	0	0	1	4	.333	4	0	1	0	.500	0	1	5-7	8	0	0	1.000
2 Ma'Nia Womack	.250	11-0	8	2	2	0	0	1	4	5	.625	1	0	3	0	.333	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
8 Annie Orman	.238	13-6	21	4	5	2	0	0	4	7	.333	4	1	1	1	.385	0	1	0-0	1	0	0	1.000
21 Grace Thompson	.000	7-0	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1	3	0	.200	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
17 Catelyn Riley	.000	3-2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	1	0	0-0	1	5	0	1.000
33 Alexa Rosales	.000	4-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0	.500	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Totals	.321	20	529	120	170	25	2	15	108	244	.461	77	19	63	3	.424	3	16	29-34	388	154	20	.964
Opponents	.226	20	482	59	109	19	0	8	47	152	.315	67	6	124	3	.327	2	7	15-21	377	164	34	.941

LOB - Team (149), Opp (119). DPs turned - Team (7), Opp (5). IBB - Team (2), J. Mackay 1, D. Rummell 1.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	era	w-l	app	gs	cg	sho	sv	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	2b	3b	hr	b/avg	wp	hp	bks	sfa	sha
18 Aynslie Furbush	1.64	1-2	9	4	0	0/2	3	21.1	16	12	5	10	14	5	0	1	.208	1	3	0	0	2
15 Makenna Klietherm	1.86	7-1	8	7	3	0/2	0	41.1	27	13	11	17	48	4	0	3	.181	1	1	0	2	1
23 Grace Sparks	2.20	4-0	7	5	1	1/1	0	28.2	32	10	9	10	23	5	0	2	.278	1	1	0	0	0
16 Brianna Lopez	2.21	1-0	9	0	0	0/2	0	12.2	8	7	4	14	17	1	0	0	.178	3	0	0	0	1
17 Catelyn Riley	3.04	1-2	9	4	1	1/1	1	25.1	26	17	11	16	22	4	0	2	.271	6	1	0	0	3
Totals	2.16	14-5	20	20	5	6/4	4	129.1	109	59	40	67	124	19	0	8	.226	12	6	0	2	7
Opponents	5.85	5-14	20	20	3	1/1	0	125.2	169	119	105	77	63	24	2	15	.320	18	19	0	3	16

PB - Team (1), J. Mackay 1, Opp (2). Pickoffs - Team (1), L. Brady 1. SBA/ATT - L. Brady (12-18), M. Klietherm (8-8), C. Riley (2-4), B. Lopez (2-3), G. Sparks (1-3), A. Furbush (2-3), J. Mackay (3-3).

2024 TEAM GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2024 Ole Miss Softball
Team Game-by-Game for Ole Miss (as of Mar 05, 2024)
Batting (All games)

Date	Opponent	ab	r	h	rbi	2b	3b	hr	tb	bb	ibb	sb	cs	hbp	sac	sf	gdp	k	po	a	e	lob	avg
Feb 08	vs BYU	28	4	10	4	2	0	1	15	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	4	18	9	3	7	.357
Feb 09	vs Nevada	30	3	11	3	0	0	0	11	2	2	0	0	2	2	0	1	3	24	9	1	11	.362
Feb 09	vs Kansas City	28	9	10	9	2	0	4	24	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	18	5	1	9	.360
Feb 10	at Hawaii	25	15	9	13	2	0	1	14	9	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	3	15	4	0	7	.360
Feb 11	at Hawaii	29	5	13	5	0	1	0	15	1	0	1	0	1	3	0	0	0	21	8	0	8	.379
Feb 16	vs Pittsburgh	25	11	13	10	5	0	0	18	3	0	2	0	2	1	0	0	7	15	6	1	5	.400
Feb 16	at Kennesaw State	26	3	6	2	0	0	1	9	0	0	2	0	2	2	0	0	3	21	8	0	6	.377
Feb 17	vs ETSU	22	5	6	4	1	0	0	7	7	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	4	21	9	1	7	.366
Feb 17	at Kennesaw State	36	14	15	13	1	0	1	19	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	18	7	1	7	.373
Feb 18	vs Pittsburgh	23	2	5	2	1	1	0	8	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	21	7	1	6	.360
Feb 23	vs UConn	23	2	5	2	0	0	0	5	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	21	8	0	4	.349
Feb 23	at Clemson	22	1	4	0	0	0	0	4	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	8	16	11	2	6	.338
Feb 24	vs Miami (Ohio)	38	10	17	10	2	0	3	28	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	21	7	1	12	.349
Feb 25	at Clemson	24	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	6	18	10	2	6	.335
Mar 01	SE LOUISIANA	18	2	3	0	1	0	0	4	8	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	3	21	6	0	6	.327
Mar 01	UAB	28	4	6	3	2	0	0	8	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	21	11	2	7	.320
Mar 02	KENT STATE	20	10	9	9	3	0	0	12	7	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	2	15	2	0	5	.326
Mar 02	SE LOUISIANA	32	4	7	3	1	0	1	11	4	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	24	15	4	12	.319
Mar 03	UAB	28	7	10	7	2	0	1	15	2	0	1	0	2	0	0	1	1	21	8	0	7	.321
Mar 05	at Memphis	24	9	8	9	0	0	2	14	9	0	5	0	2	1	2	0	2	18	4	0	11	.321
Totals		529	120	170	108	25	2	15	244	77	2	29	5	19	16	3	3	63	388	154	20	149	.321

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