

MISSISSIPPI STATE WOMEN'S

# TENNIS



State

HAIL DEAR OL' STATE! FIGHT FOR THAT VICTORY TODAY!  
HIT THAT LINE AND TAKE THAT BALL, CATCH THE BALL BEFORE YOU FALL! AND THEN  
WE'LL YELL - YELL, YELL, YELL FOR DEAR OL' STATE! WE'LL YELL LIKE IN A HURRY  
FIGHT FOR MID-DIG-DIP-PI STATE, WIN THAT GAME TODAY!

2026 SCHEDULE & RESULTS		
Overall: 2-0   SEC: 0-0   H: 2-0   A: 0-0   N: 0-0		
Indoor: 2-0   Outdoor: 0-0		
Date	Opponent	Time/Result
January (2-0)		
18	UAB	12 p.m. W, 7-0
18	Samford	3 p.m. W, 6-1
24	at Old Dominion	Canceled
24	vs. Norfolk State	Canceled
February (0-0)		
1	at Memphis	Canceled
6	Georgia Southern	1 p.m.
6	Alcorn State	4 p.m.
8	Louisiana Tech	12 p.m.
8	Bellarmino	3 p.m.
14	at Georgia Tech	TBA
22	Alabama *	12 p.m.
22	Alabama A&M	3 p.m.
26	Tennessee *	12 p.m.
26	Eastern Kentucky	4 p.m.
28	Kentucky *	12 p.m.
March (0-0)		
5	at Texas A&M *	5 p.m.
7	at Texas *	12 p.m.
13	Vanderbilt *	3 p.m.
15	Missouri *	11 a.m.
19	Oklahoma *	3 p.m.
21	Arkansas *	12 p.m.
21	Southern Miss	3 p.m.
26	at Auburn *	5 p.m.
28	at Florida *	12 p.m.
April (0-0)		
2	at Ole Miss *	4 p.m.
4	at LSU *	12 p.m.
9	South Carolina *	3 p.m.
11	at Georgia *	2 p.m.
15-19	SEC Championship (Norman, Okla.)	TBD
May (0-0)		
1-3	NCAA Rounds 1 & 2 (TBD)	
8-9	NCAA Quarterfinals (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



**Mississippi State Bulldogs**  
2-0 , 0-0 SEC  
ITA Team Ranking  
NR  
ITA Singles Rankings  
NR  
ITA Doubles Rankings  
No. 9 Charlotte Kempenaers-Pocz/  
Gianna Oboniye



**Georgia Southern Eagles**  
1-3 , 0-0 SBC  
ITA Team Ranking  
NR  
ITA Singles Rankings  
NR  
ITA Doubles Rankings  
NR



**Alcorn State Braves**  
3-3 , 0-0 SWAC  
ITA Team Ranking  
NR  
ITA Singles Rankings  
NR  
ITA Doubles Rankings  
NR

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SERIES NOTES & HISTORY

- » Mississippi State will compete against Georgia Southern for only the second time in series history.
- » State has never dropped a match against Alcorn State, owning an 10-0 series advantage.
- » Their first meeting was in 1984 where the Bulldogs won 7-2
- » Last matchup took place in 2025 with a State victory sweep.

NOTES TO KNOW

- » Mississippi State is coming out of the fall season with 30 singles and 18 doubles wins.
- » The Bulldogs look to continue its winning streak of 10 against Alcorn State. State has been able to only allow up to one point against the Braves.
- » The doubles pair of Kempenaers-Pocz and Oboniye ranked at No. 9 for the ITA doubles rankings.
- » Mississippi State will hit 500 wins in program history if they claim at least one victory this weekend.
- » MSU is 19-5 when playing a double-header under Head Coach Chris Hooshyar.
- » In 2025, Mississippi State was undefeated in non-conference play.
- » MSU hopes to continue its winning streak this season after having three canceled matches.





**Emma  
Cohen**

Sophomore  
London, England



**Chiara  
Di Genova**

Junior  
Buenos Aires, Argentina



**Charlotte  
Kempenaers-Pocz**

Sophomore  
Glengowrie, Australia



**Thessy  
Ntondele Zinga**

Freshman  
Lille, France



**Gianna  
Oboniye**

Sophomore  
Huntington Beach, Calif.



**Noemie  
Oliveras**

Sophomore  
Saint-Étienne, France



**Athina  
Pitta**

Junior  
Thessaloniki, Greece



**Mia  
Robinson**

Freshman  
Spartanburg, S.C.



**Alessia  
Tagliente**

Graduate Student  
Turin, Italy



**Carolina  
Troiano**

Sophomore  
Rome, Italy



**Chris  
Hooshyar**

Head Coach



**Taylor  
Russo**

Assistant Coach



**Noah  
Tippen**

Assistant Coach

\* Click on photos to visit their online bio

MISSISSIPPI STATE WORD ROSTER

Name	Yr.	Ht.	Exp.	Hometown	High School (Previous School)
Emma Cohen	So.	5-7	1L	London, England	Loughborough College
Chiara Di Genova	Jr.	5-2	1L	Buenos Aires, Argentina	K12 International Academy (Florida State)
Charlotte Kempnaers-Pocz	RSo.	5-10	TR	Glengowrie, Australia	(Texas)
Thessy Ntondele Zinga	Fr.	5-2	HS	Lille, France	
Gianna Oboniye	So.	5-6	1L	Huntington Beach, Calif.	Marina HS
Noemie Oliveras	So.	-	TR	Saint-Étienne, France	Florida
Athina Pitta	Jr.	5-8	2L	Thessaloniki, Greece	Rafael Nadal Academy
Mia Robinson	Fr.	5-3	HS	Spartanburg, S.C.	Robinson Tennis Academy
Alessia Tagliente	Gr.	5-3	4L	Turin, Italy	Quintino Sella
Carolina Troiano	So.	5-7	1L	Rome, Italy	Liceo Classico Statale Democrito

Pronunciation Guide

Emma Cohen	EH-muh KOH-en
Chiara Di Genova	kee-AH-ruh dee jeh-NOH-vuh
Charlotte Kempnaers-Pocz	SHAR-luht kem-PEN-ars POTS
Thessy Ntondele Zinga	TESS-ee Ton-DELL-ee ZING-guh
Gianna Oboniye	jee-AH-nuh oh-BOHN-yee-ay
Noemie Oliveras	NOH-eh-mee oh-lih-VAIR-uhs
Athina Pitta	uh-THEE-nuh PIT-tuh
Mia Robinson	MEE-uh ROB-in-sun
Alessia Tagliente	uh-LESS-ee-uh tah-LY-EN-tay
Carolina Troiano	care-oh-LEE-nuh troy-AH-noh

Coaching Staff

Head Coach	Chris Hooshyar	
	Alma Mater	SMU, 2010
	Record at MSU	23-32 (3rd Season)
	Career Record	Same
Assistant Coach	Taylor Russo	
Assistant Coach	Noah Tippen	

GEORGIA SOUTHERN WORD ROSTER

Name	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown
Franzi Heinemann	-	So.	Bad Driburg, Germany
Nanaka Kijima	-	Sr.	Chiba, Japan
Mackenzie Leopold	-	Jr.	Watkinsville, Ga.
Angelina Mihajlovic	-	So.	Krusevac, Serbia
Lisen Rinman	-	So.	Stockholm, Sweden
Amelie Rosadoro	-	So.	Alicante, Spain
Evelyn Warkentin	-	So.	Aschendorf, Germany

Pronunciation Guide

Franzi Heinemann	FRAHN-zee HINE-uh-MINN
Nanaka Kijima	nah-NAH-kah kuh-JEE-muh
Angelina Mihajlovic	Angelina muh-HAIL-oh-vich
Lisen Rinman	LEE-senn RINN-muhn
Amelie Rosadoro	AH-muh-LEE rosa-DOOR-OH
Evelyn Warkentin	EVE-uh-linn WAHR-kenn-tinn

Coaching Staff

Head Coach	Sean McCaffrey
Assistant Coach	Sonja Keranen
Volunteer Assistant Coach	Ines Fonte

ALCORN STATE WORD ROSTER

Name	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown
Matea Andelic	5-7	Fr.	Lawrenceville, Ga.
Hana Bajramovic	6-0	Fr.	Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
Taylor Briffa	5-5	Fr.	Melbourne, Australia
Zoe Crimmel	5-9	Jr.	Aspen, Co.
Katherine Grados	5-4	Fr.	Lawrenceville, Ga.
Natalija Nikolic	5-10	Jr.	Nis, Serbia
Amelia Tatfu	5-10	Fr.	Perth, Australia
Oihane Villanueva Lopez	5-5	Jr.	Bilbao, Spain

Pronunciation Guide

Matea Andelic	MA-tay-UH AHN-dell-ITCH
Hana Bajramovic	Va-RAH-MO-vich
Taylor Briffa	BRIFF-uh
Zoe Crimmel	CRIMM-uhl
Katherine Grados	Grad-OHS
Oihane Villanueva Lopez	OIY (like Toy)-YAWN-HAY
Natalija Nikolic	NICK-ohL-ITCH
Amelia Tatafu	Tah-Tah-FOO

Coaching Staff

Interim Head Coach	Kersyen Vanem-Walker
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2026 MISSISSIPPI STATE WOMEN'S TENNIS

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)	Dak
President	Dr. Mark Keenum
Director of Athletics	Zac Selmon
Faculty Athletics Representative	Brent J. Fountain
Conference	Southeastern

FACILITY INFORMATION

Outdoor	<a href="#">A.J. Pitts Tennis Centre</a>
Indoor	<a href="#">Rula Tennis Pavilion</a>

TEAM HISTORY

NCAA Team Championship Appearances	9 (last in 2021)
NCAA Team Championship Record	6-9
NCAA Second Round	6 (last in 2018)
NCAA Round of 16	n/a
ITA Top 25 Finishes	3
Highest ITA Ranking	16th (April 4, 2017)
Highest Final ITA Ranking	20th (2017 & 1989)
Final 2025 Team ITA Ranking	n/a
All-American Honors	7
All-SEC Honors	24

2026 TEAM INFORMATION

ITA Preseason Ranking	NR
Current ITA Ranking	
Season-High Team Ranking (Date)	

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach	Chris Hooshyar (SMU, 2010)
Record at MSU	21-32 (3rd Season)
Career Record	Same
SEC Record	1-27
Assistant Coach	Taylor Russo (Auburn, 2020)
Years at MSU	3rd Season
Assistant Coach	Noah Tippen (Mississippi State, 2019)
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.

2026 Schedule		
Record:	0-0	.000
Home	2-0	1.000
Away	0-0	.000
Neutral	0-0	.000
SEC Record:	0-0	.000
Home	0-0	.000
Away	0-0	.000
Neutral	0-0	.000
Versus Ranked Opponents		
vs. Top 10	0-0	.000
vs. Top 25	0-0	.000
vs. Top 50	0-0	.000
vs. Top 75	0-0	.000
Venue		
Indoors	2-0	1.000
Outdoors	0-0	.000
By Month		
January	2-0	1.000
February	0-0	.000
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	0-0	.000
Saturday	0-0	.000
Record when MSU wins		
Doubles Point	2-0	1.000
Home	2-0	1.000
Road	0-0	.000
Neutral	0-0	.000
No. 1 Doubles	0-0	.000
No. 2 Doubles	2-0	1.000
No. 3 Doubles	2-0	1.000
No. 1 Singles	2-0	1.000
No. 2 Singles	1-1	.500
No. 3 Singles	2-0	1.000
No. 4 Singles	2-0	1.000
No. 5 Singles	2-0	1.000
No. 6 Singles	2-0	1.000

SINGLES

PLAYER	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	DUAL PCT.	SEC PCT.	TOURN.	ALL PCT.	STK.
Emma Cohen	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	1-0 1.000	0-0 .000	2-5	3-5 .375	W1
Chiara Di Genova	0-0	0-0	0-0	2-0	0-0	0-0	2-0 1.000	0-0 .000	3-6	5-6 .454	W2
Charlotte Kempenaers-Pocz	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0 1.000	0-0 .000	0-0	1-0 1.000	W1
Thessy Ntondele Zinga	1-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0 1.000	0-0 .000	3-3	4-3 .571	W2
Gianna Oboniye	1-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0 1.000	0-0 .000	2-5	3-5 .375	W1
Noemie Oliveras	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0 .000	0-0 .000	0-0	0-0 .000	-
Athina Pitta	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	1-0	2-0 1.000	0-0 .000	7-4	9-4 .692	W4
Mia Robinson	0-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	2-0 1.000	0-0 .000	2-3	4-3 .428	W2
Alessia Tagliente	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0 .000	0-0 .000	5-4	5-4 .555	L1
Carolina Troiano	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1 .000	0-0 .000	1-6	1-7 .125	L1
TEAM TOTALS	2-0	1-1	2-0	2-0	2-0	2-0	10-1 .909	0-0 .000	30-26	35-37 .486	-

DOUBLES BY TEAM

TEAM	#1	#2	#3	DUAL PCT.	SEC PCT.	TOURN.	ALL PCT.	STK.
Cohen/Tagliente	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0 .000	0-0 .000	1-2	1-2 .333	W1
Cohen/Pitta	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0 .000	0-0 .000	0-2	0-2 .000	L2
Cohen/Troiano	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0 .000	0-0 .000	3-0	3-0 1.000	W3
Di Genova/Ntondele Zinga	0-0	0-0	1-0	1-0 1.000	0-0 .000	0-3	1-3 .250	W1
Di Genova/Tagliente	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0 .000	0-0 .000	3-3	3-3 .500	L1
Di Genova/Pitta	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0 .000	0-0 .000	1-2	1-2 .333	L2
Kempenaers-Pocz/Oboniye	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0 .000	0-0 .000	4-2	4-2 .666	L1
Oboniye/Troiano	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0 .000	0-0 .000	1-2	1-2 .333	L1
Pitta/Robinson	0-0	1-0	1-0	2-0 1.000	0-0 .000	5-2	7-2 .777	W2
Cohen/Ntondele Zinga	0-0	1-0	0-0	1-0 1.000	0-0 .000	0-2	2-2 .500	W1
TEAM TOTALS	0-0	2-0	2-0	4-0 1.000	0-0 .000	18-18	21-18 .538	-

DOUBLES BY PLAYER

PLAYER	#1	#2	#3	DUAL PCT.	SEC PCT.	TOURN.	ALL PCT.	STK.
Emma Cohen	0-0	1-0	0-0	1-0 1.000	0-0 .000	4-4	5-4 .555	W4
Chiara Di Genova	0-0	0-0	1-0	1-0 1.000	0-0 .000	4-8	5-8 .384	W1
Charlotte Kempenaers-Pocz	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0 .000	0-0 .000	4-2	4-2 .666	L1
Thessy Ntondele Zinga	0-0	1-0	1-0	2-0 1.000	0-0 .000	0-3	2-3 .400	W2
Gianna Oboniye	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0 .000	0-0 .000	5-4	5-4 .555	L1
Noemie Oliveras	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0 .000	0-0 .000	0-0	0-0 .000	-
Athina Pitta	0-0	1-0	1-0	2-0 1.000	0-0 .000	6-6	8-6 .571	W2
Mia Robinson	0-0	1-0	1-0	2-0 1.000	0-0 .000	5-2	7-2 .777	W2
Alessia Tagliente	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0 .000	0-0 .000	4-5	4-5 .444	L1
Carolina Troiano	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0 .000	0-0 .000	4-2	4-2 .666	W3
TEAM TOTALS	0-0	4-0	4-0	8-0 1.000	0-0 .000	36-36	44-36 .550	-

THREE-SETTERS\*

PLAYER	Total	W-L
Emma Cohen	2	1-1
Chiara Di Genova	4	0-4
Charlotte Kempenaers-Pocz	0	0-0
Thessy Ntondele Zinga	2	2-0
Gianna Oboniye	1	1-0
Noemie Oliveras	0	0-0
Athina Pitta	5	1-4
Mia Robinson	3	2-1
Alessia Tagliente	3	1-2
Carolina Troiano	1	0-1
TEAM TOTALS	21	8-13
TEAM	Total	W-L
Cohen/Tagliente	0	0-0
Cohen/Pitta	0	0-0
Cohen/Troiano	0	0-0
Di Genova/Ntondele Zinga	0	0-0
Di Genova/Tagliente	0	0-0
Di Genova/Pitta	0	0-0
Kempenaers-Pocz/Oboniye	2	1-1
Oboniye/Troiano	0	0-0
Pitta/Robinson	0	0-0
TEAM TOTALS	2	1-1

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

TIEBREAKERS\*

PLAYER	Total	W-L
Emma Cohen	1	1-0
Chiara Di Genova	0	0-0
Charlotte Kempenaers-Pocz	0	0-0
Thessy Ntondele Zinga	1	1-0
Gianna Oboniye	1	1-0
Noemie Oliveras	0	0-0
Athina Pitta	0	0-0
Mia Robinson	2	2-0
Alessia Tagliente	2	1-1
Carolina Troiano	2	0-2
TEAM TOTALS	9	6-3
TEAM	Total	W-L
Cohen/Tagliente	1	0-1
Cohen/Pitta	0	0-0
Cohen/Troiano	1	1-0
Di Genova/Ntondele Zinga	0	0-0
Di Genova/Tagliente	1	1-0
Di Genova/Pitta	0	0-0
Kempenaers-Pocz/Oboniye	2	2-0
Oboniye/Troiano	0	0-0
Pitta/Robinson	1	1-0
TEAM TOTALS	6	5-1

Includes 7-point and 10-point Tie-Breaks

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