

MISSISSIPPI STATE WOMEN'S

TENNIS



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HAIL DEAR OL' STATE! FIGHT FOR THAT VICTORY TODAY!
HIT THAT LINE AND SWEEP THAT BALL, CROSS THE DUAL, REBATE FOR VICTORY AND THEN
WE'LL YELL - YELL, YELL, YELL FOR YOUR MS. STATE! WE'LL YELL LIKE H-O-O-H

FIGHT FOR MS. STATE! FIGHT FOR MS. STATE, WIN THAT GAME TODAY!

2026 MISSISSIPPI STATE WOMEN'S TENNIS

2026 SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Overall: 2-0 SEC: 0-0 H: 2-0 A: 0-0 N: 0-0
Indoor: 2-0 Outdoor: 0-0
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 Bellarmine 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



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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

SERIES NOTES & HISTORY

- » Mississippi State will compete against Georgia Southern for only the second time in series history.
- » Their first meeting was in 1984 where the Bulldogs won 7-2
- » State has never dropped a match against Alcorn State, owning an 10-0 series advantage.
- » 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 doubles pair of Kempenaers-Pocz and Oboniye ranked at No. 9 for the ITA doubles rankings.
- » 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.
- » 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.
- » Mississippi State will hit 500 wins in program history if they claim at least one victory this weekend.

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WOMEN'S TENNIS PHOTO ROSTER



**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

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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 Kempenaers-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 Kempenaers-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.	Lawerncerville, 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 Tatafu	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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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.J. Pitts Tennis Centre
Indoor	Rula Tennis Pavilion

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.

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2026 Schedule																			
Record:	0-0	.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	-					
Versus Ranked Opponents																			
vs. Top 10	0-0	.000	DOUBLES BY TEAM																
vs. Top 25	0-0	.000	TEAM	#1	#2	#3	DUAL	PCT.	SEC	PCT.	TOURN.	ALL	PCT.	STK.					
vs. Top 50	0-0	.000	Cohen/Tagliente	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1-2	1-2	.333	W1					
vs. Top 75	0-0	.000	Cohen/Pitta	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-2	0-2	.000	L2					
Venue			Cohen/Troiano	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	3-0	3-0	1.000	W3					
Indoors	2-0	1.000	Di Genova/Ntondele Zinga	0-0	0-0	1-0	1-0	1.000	0-0	.000	0-3	1-3	.250	W1					
Outdoors	0-0	.000	Di Genova/Tagliente	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	3-3	3-3	.500	L1					
TEAM TOTALS	0-0	2-0	2-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	18-18	21-18	.538	-					
By Month																			
January	2-0	1.000	DOUBLES BY PLAYER																
February	0-0	.000	PLAYER	#1	#2	#3	DUAL	PCT.	SEC	PCT.	TOURN.	ALL	PCT.	STK.					
March	0-0	.000	Emma Cohen	0-0	1-0	0-0	1-0	1.000	0-0	.000	4-4	5-4	.555	W4					
April	0-0	.000	Chiara Di Genova	0-0	0-0	1-0	1-0	1.000	0-0	.000	4-8	5-8	.384	W1					
May	0-0	.000	Charlotte Kempenaers-Pocz	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	4-2	4-2	.666	L1					
By Day			Thessy Ntondele Zinga	0-0	1-0	1-0	2-0	1.000	0-0	.000	0-3	2-3	.400	W2					
Sunday	2-0	1.000	Gianna Oboniye	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	5-4	5-4	.555	L1					
Monday	0-0	.000	Noemie Oliveras	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	.000	-					
Tuesday	0-0	.000	Athina Pitta	0-0	1-0	1-0	2-0	1.000	0-0	.000	6-6	8-6	.571	W2					
Wednesday	0-0	.000	Mia Robinson	0-0	1-0	1-0	2-0	1.000	0-0	.000	5-2	7-2	.777	W2					
Thursday	0-0	.000	Alessia Tagliente	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	4-5	4-5	.444	L1					
Friday	0-0	.000	Carolina Troiano	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	4-2	4-2	.666	W3					
Saturday	0-0	.000	TEAM TOTALS	0-0	4-0	4-0	8-0	1.000	0-0	.000	36-36	44-36	.550	-					
Record when MSU wins																			
Doubles Point	2-0	1.000	THREE-SETTERS*									TIEBREAKERS*							
Home	2-0	1.000	PLAYER	Total			PLAYER	Total											
Road	0-0	.000	Emma Cohen	2		1-1	Emma Cohen	1		1-0									
Neutral	0-0	.000	Chiara Di Genova	4		0-4	Chiara Di Genova	0		0-0									
No. 1 Doubles	0-0	.000	Charlotte Kempenaers-Pocz	0		0-0	Charlotte Kempenaers-Pocz	0		0-0									
No. 2 Doubles	2-0	1.000	Thessy Ntondele Zinga	2		2-0	Thessy Ntondele Zinga	1		1-0									
No. 3 Doubles	2-0	1.000	Gianna Oboniye	1		1-0	Gianna Oboniye	1		1-0									
No. 1 Singles	2-0	1.000	Noemie Oliveras	0		0-0	Noemie Oliveras	0		0-0									
No. 2 Singles	1-1	.500	Athina Pitta	5		1-4	Athina Pitta	0		0-0									
No. 3 Singles	2-0	1.000	Mia Robinson	3		2-1	Mia Robinson	2		2-0									
No. 4 Singles	2-0	1.000	Alessia Tagliente	3		1-2	Alessia Tagliente	2		1-1									
No. 5 Singles	2-0	1.000	Carolina Troiano	1		0-1	Carolina Troiano	2		0-2									
No. 6 Singles	2-0	1.000	TEAM TOTALS	21		8-13	TEAM TOTALS	9		6-3									
			TEAM	Total		W-L	TEAM	Total		W-L									
			Cohen/Tagliente	0		0-0	Cohen/Tagliente	1		0-1									
			Cohen/Pitta	0		0-0	Cohen/Pitta	0		0-0									
			Cohen/Troiano	0		0-0	Cohen/Troiano	1		1-0									
			Di Genova/Ntondele Zinga	0		0-0	Di Genova/Ntondele Zinga	0		0-0									
			Di Genova/Tagliente	0		0-0	Di Genova/Tagliente	1		1-0									
			Di Genova/Pitta	0		0-0	Di Genova/Pitta	0		0-0									
			Kempenaers-Pocz/Oboniye	2		1-1	Kempenaers-Pocz/Oboniye	2		2-0									
			Oboniye/Troiano	0		0-0	Oboniye/Troiano	0		0-0									
			Pitta/Robinson	0		0-0	Pitta/Robinson	1		1-0									
			TEAM TOTALS	6		5-1													
			Includes 10-point Tie-Break instead of full 3rd set																
			Includes 7-point Tie-Breaks																

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