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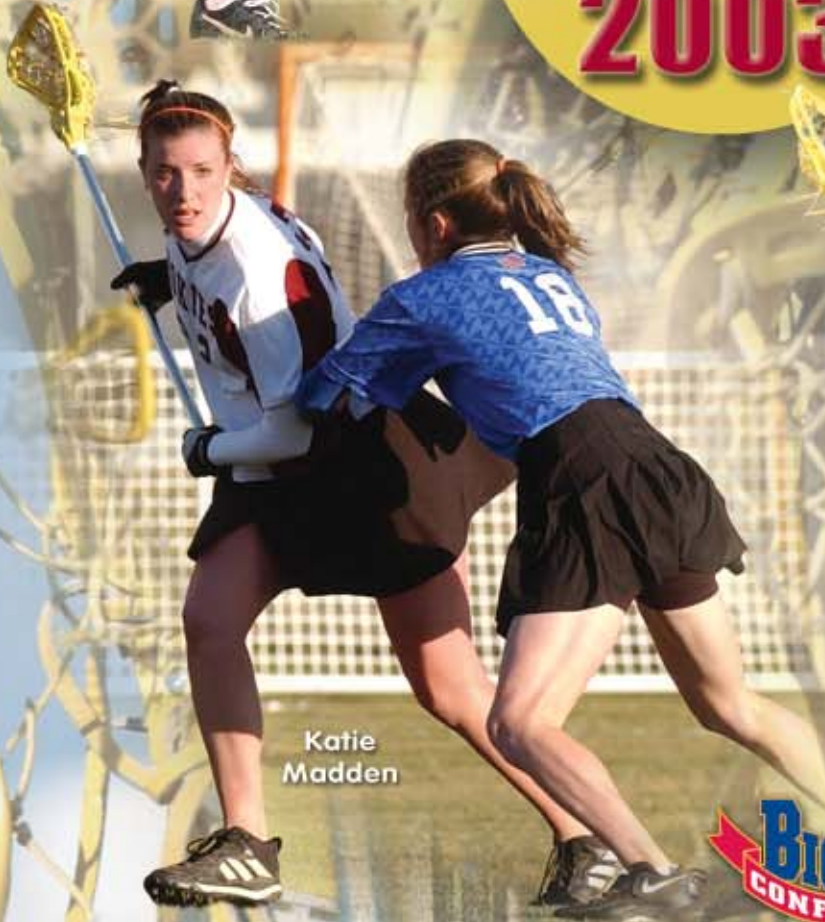


Sam Sybert



Jamie McGraw

## HOKIES LACROSSE 2003



Katie Madden



Lauren Kenney



*This Is*  
**Virginia  
Tech** *Putting  
Knowledge  
To Work*

Since its founding in 1872, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, popularly known as Virginia Tech, has grown from a small college of 132 students into Virginia's largest university and its top research institution. During its 130 years of existence, Virginia's premiere land-grant institution has evolved into a comprehensive university of national and international prominence.

Recognizing that higher education is a key force behind the quality of American life, our economic competitiveness, and our democratic form of government, President Charles W. Steger has challenged the university to become one of the country's top 30 research institutions by the end of the decade.

Virginia Tech is organized into eight colleges — Agriculture and Life Sciences, Architecture and Urban Studies, Arts and Sciences, Pamplin College of Business, Engineering, Human Resources and Education, Natural Resources, and Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine. Plans have been approved to restructure the university, which will result in the creation of a College of Biological, Mathematical, and Physical Sciences next year. Together, the colleges offer about 175 bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degree programs to approximately 26,000 undergraduate and graduate students.

Many of Virginia Tech's traditions and strengths are rooted in the university's motto, *Ut Prosim* ("That I May Serve") and its land-grant missions of instruction, research, and outreach. By generating new knowledge through research and through its outreach mandate, Virginia Tech disseminates practical knowledge both in and out of the classroom, reaching beyond its student body to affect society as a whole. Virginia Tech — a university that puts knowledge to work.



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## HOKIES LACROSSE 2003

### Quick Facts

School: Virginia Tech  
 Location: Blacksburg, Va.  
 Enrollment: 26,000  
 President: Charles W. Steger  
 Athletic Director: Jim Weaver  
 Nickname: Hokies  
 Colors: Chicago maroon & burnt orange  
 Conference: BIG EAST

### LACROSSE INFORMATION

Head Coach: Tami Riley (Maryland, 1996)  
 Record at Virginia Tech: (6-10, One Year)  
 Overall Record: Same

#### Assistant Coaches:

Chris Mastro (Virginia Tech, 1999)  
 Julie Tice (Penn State, 2000)

Lacrosse Office Phone: (540) 231-9454

Best Time to Call: Weekdays

Lacrosse Field: Moseley Field (1,000)

2002 Overall Record: 6-10

2002 BIG EAST Record: 1-5 (T-Sixth)

Lettermen Returning/Lost: 14/5

Starters Returning/Lost: 8/4

#### Top Returning Players:

Katie Madden (Sr., A); Lauren Kenney (Sr., A);  
 Jamie McGraw (Jr., GK); Sam Sybert (Sr., M);  
 Kate Threadgold (Jr., A); Lindsey Welch (Jr., M)

#### Top Newcomers:

Stephanie Jones (Fr., M/D); Jessica Lovelady (Fr., M/A);  
 Anna Melnicove (Fr., M/D); Ashley Puckett (Fr., D);  
 Lindsay Wooten (Fr., A/M)

### 2003 Schedule

Feb. 21	at Duke	5 p.m.
25	at Georgetown*	3 p.m.
Mar. 1	RUTGERS*	2 p.m.
4	SYRACUSE*	1 p.m.
8	GEORGE MASON	1 p.m.
14	at Ohio	3 p.m.
16	at Ohio State	1 p.m.
18	COLUMBIA	2:30 p.m.
23	at Richmond	1 p.m.
29	NOTRE DAME*	1 p.m.
Apr. 4	at Boston College*	7 p.m.
6	at New Hampshire	Noon
9	at Virginia	7 p.m.
13	NORTHWESTERN	Noon
15	at Davidson	7 p.m.
19	at Connecticut*	1 p.m.
26	at Maryland	1 p.m.

*Home games in ALL CAPS*  
 \*BIG EAST game

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# 2003 OUTLOOK

## Hokies look forward to a winning season in 2003

As the 2003 season approaches, the Hokies hope to combine the experience of the veterans with the youthful energy of their newcomers for a successful campaign. Coach Tami Riley and her staff expect this year's squad to become a competitive force in the BIG EAST Conference, using a fresh outlook to invigorate the program.

"On a broad scale of things, our new style is a more exciting and explosive game," Riley said. "The team that wins will be the team in possession of the ball."

With nearly as many new faces on the team as there are veterans, there are plenty of opportunities for numerous different players to make an impact.

"I enter each season with an open view—everyone starts from scratch," said Riley. "Regardless of your playing time in the past, everyone starts with a clean slate."

"I don't like to think of starters, non-starters. I like to think that every single player on the team is very important. Everyone is going to put in a lot

of time and effort to build this program."

Whether a returning veteran or a first-year player, each member of the Tech squad will have an impact on the team's success. 2003 should prove to be an exciting season as the Hokies strive to find the perfect balance.

### DEFENSE

The balance between youth and experience may be exemplified most on the defense. The Hokies will rely on several freshmen to step up on the defensive end, while utilizing the leadership of a few key returnees, including senior Sarah Duffy and sophomores Melissa Fullenkamp and Lauren Whitty, as well as goalkeeper Jamie McGraw.

Duffy, who has been fighting injuries throughout her career, had a spectacular fall season and will provide the defense with excellent senior leadership. Fullenkamp, who started 15 games in 2002, played solidly for the Hokies in her first season and will bring quality game experience to the young defense. She is also expected to

take the draw again this season for the Hokies. Whitty, who also had a successful freshman campaign, is recovering from a hip injury that slowed her in the fall, but looks to return to full strength to add depth to the defense.

In goal, Tech finds one of its top players. McGraw, a captain for 2003, will provide the experience needed for the Hokies to be successful on defense.

"A talented keeper is crucial to winning games and we believe that Jamie provides that essential piece," said Riley.

A second-team All-BIG EAST selection in 2002, McGraw led the conference in saves and ranked 16th nationally in save percentage. She will use her quickness and athleticism to again prove herself as a defensive threat.

### MIDFIELD

The midfield will be one of the strongest areas for the Hokies this season, as leadership and experience are plentiful. Senior captain Sam Sybert returns for her final year

to lead the group in the midfield. She will be joined by junior Lindsey Welch and redshirt sophomore Hilary Fay, as well as a host of newcomers.

Sybert, a two-time All-BIG EAST first team selection and captain in 2002, has been a controlling figure in the midfield since arriving at Tech. An outstanding all-around player, she currently ranks in the school's top ten in several career statistical categories. She is the career leader in blocks/interceptions/caused turnovers, while she ranks second in groundballs, fifth in assists and tenth in goals scored. This season, Sybert will look to continue her dominance on the field, drawing on her aggressiveness, speed, power and versatility to lead the Hokies to success.

While Sybert receives most of the attention in the midfield, Welch returns as another one of the team's leaders. Starting all 16 games last season, the junior has proven to be a potent offensive threat, while also providing defensive assistance.



A dominant force in the middle, two-time team captain Sam Sybert returns for her final season as a Hokie.



Sophomore Lauren Whitty will be one of the Hokies' key defenders in 2003.

She ranked third on the team in goals scored last season and second in assists and groundballs. In 2003, she should continue to be a threat in the midfield, relying on her heart and hustle to make great plays.

Fay, who scored eight goals in only six games last season, should add another offensive weapon to the Hokies' arsenal with her hard working mentality.

### ATTACK

The Hokies will not experience a letdown on the attack this year, as last year's leading scorer, Kate Threadgold, returns, along with senior captains Lauren Kenney and Katie Madden. Several fresh faces will also see time on offense to help provide Tech with more scoring opportunities.

Threadgold looks again to be the Hokies' top scoring threat. The junior notched 26 goals last year in her first season at Tech and remains the offensive leader for 2003. The Australian native brings a wealth of international experience to the table, as she competed for the national team that won the silver medal in the 1999 World Cup.

Kenney, who was hampered in the fall by compartment syndrome, is expected to regroup from her injury with a strong spring. She provides another scoring threat on the attack and will look to

## 2003 Virginia Tech Lacrosse Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown (High School/College)
1	Lauren Whitty	M/D	5-9	So.	Timonium, Md. (St. Paul's)
2	Casey Goodman	D	5-2	Fr.	Olney, Md. (Sherwood)
3	Lindsay Neese	M/D	5-5	So.	Charlottesville, Va. (Albemarle)
4	Jessica Lovelady	M/A	5-6	Fr.	Towson, Md. (Maryvale Prep.)
5	Suzanne Hazel	D	5-8	So.	Oakton, Va. (Flint Hill)
7	Lauren Kenney	A	5-6	Sr.	Clifton, Va. (Centreville)
8	Katie Boyle	M/D	5-6	Fr.	Cherry Hill, N.J. (Cherry Hill East)
9	Amanda Counts	A	5-9	Jr.	Fairfax, Va. (W.T. Woodson)
10	Lindsey Welch	M	5-4	Jr.	Englewood, Colo. (Cherry Creek)
11	Melissa Fullenkamp	M/D	5-8	So.	Silver Spring, Md. (Good Counsel)
12	Kristin Loughlin	A	5-4	So.	Bridgewater, N.J. (Bridgewater-Raritan)
13	Mary Cay Thomas	A	5-2	Fr.	Baltimore, Md. (Notre Dame Prep.)
16	Ashley Puckett	D	5-4	Fr.	Millersville, Md. (Severna Park)
17	Hilary Fay	M/A	5-9	r-So.	Medford, N.J. (Shawnee)
18	Stephanie Jones	M/D	5-2	Fr.	Arnold, Md. (Broadneck)
20	Kiersten Huber	D	5-9	Sr.	Timonium, Md. (St. Paul's School)
22	Katie Madden	A	5-10	Sr.	Gaithersburg, Md. (Good Counsel)
23	Kate Threadgold	A	5-11	Jr.	Largs Bay, Australia (Henley/Univ. of S. Australia)
25	Deana Cannon	M	5-6	Sr.	Latham, N.Y. (Shaker)
26	Melissa Holecheck	A/M	5-6	So.	Hurlock, Md. (Sts. Peter & Paul/Univ. of Denver)
27	Sarah Duffy	D	5-6	Sr.	Hatboro, Pa. (Upper Moreland)
28	Lauren Therit	D	5-4	Fr.	Hampstead, Md. (North Carroll)
29	Liz Longo	M/D	5-5	Fr.	Midlothian, Va. (Collegiate)
30	Jamie McGraw	GK	5-5	Jr.	Annapolis, Md. (St. Mary's)
31	Sam Sybert	M	5-5	Sr.	Reston, Va. (South Lakes)
33	Lindsay Wooten	A/M	6-0	Fr.	Annapolis, Md. (Severn)
35	Anna Melnicove	M/D	5-6	Fr.	Fairfax, Va. (W.T. Woodson)
00	Carrie Hill	GK	5-4	Fr.	Severna Park, Md. (Severna Park)

**Head Coach:** Tami Riley; **Assistant Coaches:** Chris Mastro, Julie Tice

control the ball on the attacking end. Madden has performed solidly throughout her career at Tech and will be expected to step up even further this season. She will have more of a leadership role and should also increase her offensive production.

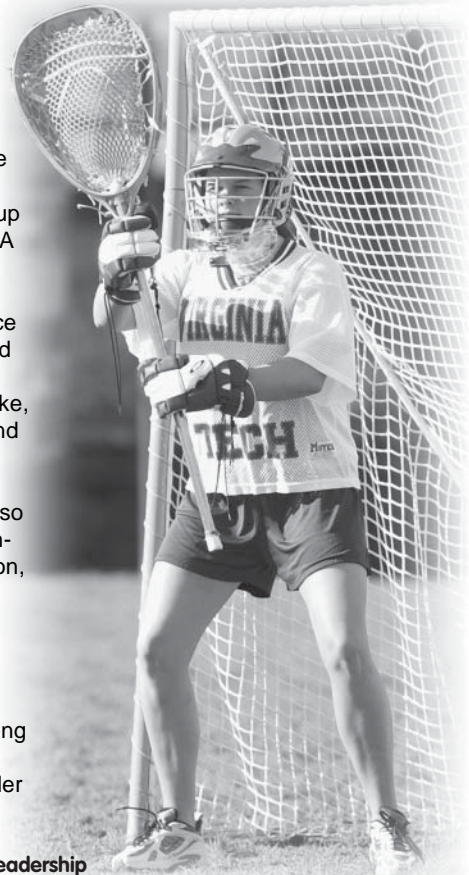
### SCHEDULE

This season Tech faces several top teams on its schedule, including the always competitive BIG EAST slate with 2002 national runner-up Georgetown and NCAA participants Syracuse and Notre Dame. The Hokies' non-conference schedule includes road tests against 2002 NCAA participants Duke, Virginia, Ohio State and Maryland, which has won seven of the last eight national titles. Also on the slate are match-ups with George Mason, Ohio, Columbia, Richmond, New Hampshire, Northwestern and Davidson. The Hokies should face some strong competition and get some quality wins under their belt in 2003.

**Tech will rely on the leadership of junior Jamie McGraw in goal.**



Senior captain Katie Madden will be a leader on the attack in 2003.



# COACHING STAFF



## Tami Riley

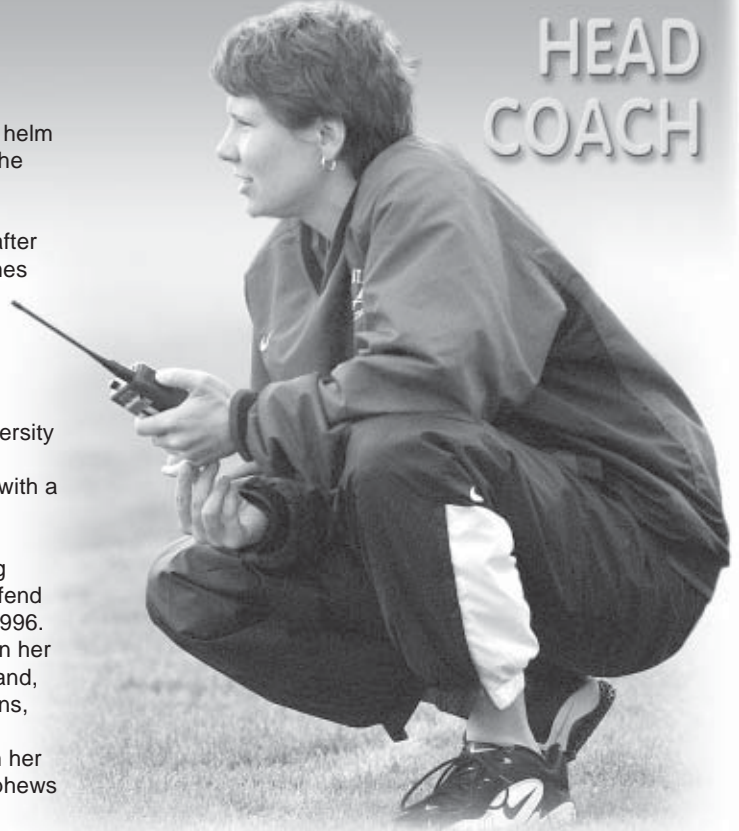
Tami Riley enters her second year at the helm of the Virginia Tech lacrosse team. She led the Hokies to a 6-10 mark in 2002 and hopes to improve that record this year.

Riley came to Virginia Tech last season after serving four years as assistant coach at James Madison University. During her career at JMU, the Dukes won two Colonial Athletic Association Championships and appeared in the 2000 NCAA Final Four. In 2001, JMU won their second CAA title under assistant coach Riley and advanced to the quarterfinals of the NCAA Tournament.

Prior to her time at JMU, Riley served as an assistant at the University of Virginia for the '96-'97 season. This was Riley's first coaching experience after graduating from the University of Maryland in 1996 with a degree in kinesiology. She helped the Cavaliers into the NCAA Tournament that year — which is an accomplishment that Riley has become very accustomed to. The Terps won three NCAA titles during Riley's career and she co-captained the first team to successfully defend an NCAA Women's Lacrosse Championship with titles in 1995 and 1996. Riley was named to the NCAA All-Tournament team in those years. In her final two seasons at Maryland, the Terps were 36-0 overall. At Maryland, Riley was not only a four-year letterwinner in lacrosse for the Terrapins, but also played soccer her first two seasons at the university.

Riley graduated from Severna Park High School in Maryland with her twin sister Tina and an older sister, Bethany. She adores her two nephews Patrick and Zachary, as well as her niece Riley. Her parents live in Northern Kentucky.

## HEAD COACH



## Chris Mastro

Chris Mastro returns to her alma mater this season for her first year as an assistant coach at Virginia Tech. She comes to Tech from Brown University, where she served as an assistant coach from 2001-2002.

Mastro was a letterwinner for the Hokies from 1996-1999. As a senior, she was a starter on the squad that captured the Atlantic-10 Championship. She also was a recipient of the Coach's Award in her final season. Mastro currently ranks in Tech's top-20 list for goals, assists and points in a career.

## ASSISTANT COACH

Prior to her stint at Brown, she was a substitute teacher at Cave Spring High School in Roanoke, Va. She also served as an assistant tennis coach and the head coach of the boys' and girls' swimming teams. Her tennis team finished as the Roanoke Valley District Champions, while the boys' swim team won the Roanoke Valley District, Northwest Region and AAA State championships.

Mastro graduated from Tech in 1999 with a degree in health and physical education. The Latham, N.Y., native is a graduate of Shaker High School.



## Julie Tice

Julie Tice is entering her second season as an assistant coach at Virginia Tech. Tice came to Tech from Towson University, where she served as an assistant coach for the Tigers in 2001.

Prior to her stint at Towson, Tice spent her undergraduate years at Penn State from 1996-2000. She was a four-year letterwinner for the Nittany Lions and received All-America honors her junior and

## ASSISTANT COACH

senior years. She also led the country in assists in her junior year when the Nittany Lions reached the Final Four and holds the record for assists in the NCAA Tournament. Tice also set the record for career assists at Penn State her senior year with 115.

Tice graduated from Penn State in 2000 with a degree in communications and is currently pursuing a degree in interior design here at Virginia Tech. She is a native of Annapolis, Md., where she attended Severn School.

# MEET THE HOKIES



**Deana Cannon**

5-6 • Sr. • Midfield  
Shaker H.S.  
Latham, N.Y.

Brings speed and endurance ... Consistent ... **2002:** Appeared in seven games for the Hokies ... Notched a goal in the victory over Monmouth ... Tallied an assist in the win against Denver ... Had four groundballs and one draw control on the season ... Named to the BIG EAST Academic All-Star Team ... **2001:** Appeared in five games for the Hokies ... Had two groundballs and three draw controls ... Scored her goal in the win over Monmouth ... Had her assist in the loss to Notre Dame ... **2000:** Appeared in 12 games as a freshman ... Played 164 minutes ... Caused one turnover ... **High School:** Four-year letterwinner for Coach Michelle Kippen at Shaker High School ... Team's most valuable player as a senior ... Two-time member of the Empire Select Team I, advanced to nationals as a senior ... Suburban Council all-star A team ... Named to the New York Empire Open Select Team ... Four-year letterwinner in field hockey ... Selected for Elite Futures program for field hockey ... Member of Empire State Games Adirondack team ... Also earned four letters in track ... Named outstanding distance runner and team's most valuable runner ... Two-time all-around best woman athlete ... **Personal:** Born October 8, 1981 ... Daughter of John and Sandra Cannon ... Majoring in science of food, nutrition and exercise.

## DEANA CANNON'S STATS

YEAR	GP-GS	SOG	GLS	AST	TP	SH	CT	TO	GB
2000	12-0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	5	1
2001	5-0	5	1	1	2	.200	0	3	2
2002	7-0	3	1	1	2	.333	0	5	4
Totals	24-0	8	2	2	4	.250	1	13	7



**Sarah Duffy**

5-6 • Sr. • Defense  
Upper Moreland H.S.  
Hatboro, Pa.

Adds depth to a strong Hokie defense ... A solid and very strong defender with a great work ethic ... Tenacious player ... Solid one-on-one body positioning ... Hampered by injuries throughout her career ... **2002:** Played in three games for the Hokies ... Had one groundball and one caused turnover ... **2001:** Appeared in one game, playing three minutes ... Received a medical redshirt due to ankle injury ... **2000:** Appeared in seven games as a freshman ... **High School:** Three-year letterwinner and four-year team member for Coach Pam Remy at Upper Moreland High School ... Two-year first-team all-suburban 1 league ... Two-year second-team all-area selection by the *Montgomery County Record* ... First-team all-

area by the *Philadelphia Inquirer* as a senior ... Second-team as a junior ... Three-year letterwinner and four-year team member of the field hockey team ... **Personal:** Born November 6, 1981 ... Daughter of Dennis and Gwyn Duffy ... Double majoring in political science and communications.

## SARAH DUFFY'S STATS

YEAR	GP-GS	SOG	GLS	AST	TP	SH	CT	TO	GB
2000	7-0	1	1	0	1	1.000	1	0	1
2001	1-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0
2002	3-0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	1
Totals	11-0	1	1	0	1	1.000	2	0	2



**Kiersten Huber**

5-9 • Sr. • Defense  
St. Paul's School for Girls  
Timonium, Md.

Is a hard worker with a great work ethic ... A tall, strong player with excellent quickness ... Good helper on defense ... **2002:** Played in eleven games for the Hokies ... Had three groundballs and caused seven turnovers ... A BIG EAST Academic All-Star ... **2001:** Appeared in eight games, starting once ... Caused six turnovers and collected seven groundballs ... **2000:** Appeared in nine games as a freshman ... Scored one goal (in the win against St. Bonaventure) and one assist ... Caused two turnovers and gathered five groundballs ... **High School:** Three-year letterwinner for coaches Traci Magness and Eileen Alban at St. Paul's School for Girls ... Named team's best defensive player ... Led the team in most charges taken ... Awarded the Unsung Hero Award as a senior ... Recipient of the Stacey Ellen Hooper Class of 1972 Award for sportsmanship ... Also lettered in field hockey and basketball for two years ... Given the Sash Award for a three-sport letterwinner ... **Personal:** Born September 8, 1981 ... Daughter of Don and Carol Huber ... Majoring in finance.

## KIERSTEN HUBER'S STATS

YEAR	GP-GS	SOG	GLS	AST	TP	SH	CT	TO	GB
2000	9-0	2	1	1	2	.500	2	0	5
2001	8-1	0	0	0	0	.000	6	1	7
2002	11-0	0	0	0	0	.000	7	1	3
Totals	17-1	2	1	1	2	.500	15	2	15

## What is a Hokie?

In 1896, when Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College changed its name to Virginia Polytechnic Institute, the necessity for writing a new cheer arose. A contest for such a purpose was held by the student body, and senior O.M. Stull won first prize for his "Hokie" yell which still is used today. Later, when asked if "Hokie" had any special meaning, Stull explained the word was solely the product of his imagination and was used only as an attention-getter for his yell. It soon became a nickname for all Tech teams and for those people loyal to Tech athletics.



# Lauren Kenney

# 7

5-6 • Sr. • Attack  
Centreville H.S.  
Clifton, Va.

Team co-captain in 2003 ... Has a settling influence on the attack ... Good stick skills ... Plays with composure and finesse ... Consistent ... **2002:** Played in all 16 games, starting 11 of them ... Scored 18 goals and tallied two assists ... Gathered 14 groundballs ... Notched three goals in the loss at George Mason ... Recorded her second consecutive hat trick in the win over Davidson ... Scored two goals against Boston College, Ohio State and Connecticut ... Added an assist to her two goals in the loss at William & Mary ... Named to the BIG EAST Academic All-Star Team ... **2001:** Appeared in 10 games, starting once ... Had one goal and two assists ... Collected four groundballs ... Had a goal and an assist in the loss at James Madison ... Also assisted on the first goal in the win at Davidson ... **2000:** Appeared in seven games for the Hokies ... Scored two goals (in the wins over La Salle and St. Bonaventure) and an assist (in the win over St. Joseph's) ... **High School:** Four-year letterwinner for Coach Michelle Maxwell-Gold at Centreville High School ... First-team all-district ... First-team all-region ... Honorable-mention all-Metro ... Two-time offensive most valuable player ... Also lettered in field hockey ... Named first-team all-district ... Second team all-region ... Selected for the Coaches' Award for her dedication to the team ... Helped lead her team to a national indoor championship ... **Personal:** Born July 16, 1981 ... Daughter of Lawrence and Mary Ellen Kenney ... Majoring in consumer studies.

### LAUREN KENNEY'S STATS

YEAR	GP-GS	SOG	GLS	AST	TP	SH	CT	TO	GB
2000	7-0	5	2	1	3	.400	0	2	2
2001	10-1	8	1	2	3	.125	2	6	4
2002	16-11	49	18	2	20	.367	4	15	14
Totals	33-12	62	21	5	26	.339	6	23	20



# Katie Madden

# 22

5-10 • Sr. • Attack  
Our Lady of Good Counsel H.S.  
Gaithersburg, Md.

Team leader and co-captain in 2003 ... Can create opportunities with her stick work and one-on-one skills ... Talented player who uses her height to her advantage ... Has the attitude and skill level to be successful ... **2002:** Played in all 16 games, starting 11 ... Had ten goals and five assists on the season ... Had two goals against Denver ... Notched two goals and an assist in the victory over Ohio State ... Had a goal and an assist at Rutgers ... **2001:** Appeared in eight games, starting twice ... Scored eight goals prior to her season-ending knee injury ... Had team-best .727 shooting percentage ... Had four goals in the win over Monmouth ... Had two goals in the BIG EAST opener win against Rutgers ... Also had two goals in the overtime win over Vanderbilt ... **2000:** Appeared in all

17 games as a freshman, starting three times ... Had nine goals and two assists for 11 points, third-best among freshmen ... Scored her first collegiate goal in the win over Ohio State ... Had two goals in the win over California ... Registered a career-high three goals and added an assist in the win at Duquesne ... **High School:** Four-year letterwinner for Coach Beth Nave at Our Lady of Good Counsel High School ... Three-time first-team all-league ... Three-time first-team all-district ... Twice named all-county ... Team's most valuable player as a senior ... Team's leading scorer as a junior and senior ... Earned all-metro honors ... Senior all-star ... Also lettered in soccer and basketball ... Selected all-league and all-county ... Helped lead the team to the state championship and a final ranking of ninth in the nation ... Earned first honors, principal's list and National Honor Society ... **Personal:** Born June 28, 1981 ... Daughter of Walter and Judy Madden ... Majoring in accounting.

### KATIE MADDEN'S STATS

YEAR	GP-GS	SOG	GLS	AST	TP	SH	CT	TO	GB
2000	17-3	26	9	2	11	.346	3	11	7
2001	8-2	11	8	0	8	.727	6	3	4
2002	16-11	36	10	5	15	.278	7	17	17
Totals	41-16	73	27	7	34	.369	16	31	28



# Sam Sybert

# 31

5-5 • Sr. • Midfield  
South Lakes H.S.  
Reston, Va.

Team co-captain in 2003 ... One of the top all-time players at Virginia Tech ... Ranks in the top ten in several different career categories at Tech, including goals (10th), assists (5th), groundballs (2nd) and caused turnovers (1st) ... Dominates the midfield ... Possesses great speed and quickness ... A natural leader who loves to be involved all over the field ... Very consistent player who is an equal threat at both ends of the field ... Extremely coachable player ... Has unlimited potential ... Good anticipation ... Solid defender ... Loves to assist on double teams and strip the ball away ... **2002:** Started all 16 games for the Hokies ... Received first-team All-BIG EAST honors for the second consecutive year ... Scored 22 goals and led the team in assists with 19, for a team-high 41 points ... Also was the team leader in caused turnovers with 38, ranking second in the BIG EAST ... Third on the team with 45 groundballs ... Scored three goals and notched two assists in the victory over Monmouth ... Had two assists against Georgetown ... Had two goals and one assist against Richmond, Connecticut and William & Mary ... Scored three goals and had an assist in the victory over Denver ... Had two goals and two assists in the victory over Davidson ... Had two goals and three assists against Northwestern ... Netted three goals and an assist in the triple overtime loss to Boston College ... Had one goal and three assists in the upset of No. 15 Ohio State ... A BIG EAST Academic All-Star ... **2001:** Started all 15 games ... All-region selection ... First-team All-BIG EAST selection ... Scored 15 goals and led the team with 12 assists, for 27 points ... Led the team with 51 caused turnovers and 40 groundballs ... Also had 20 draw controls and led the team with 873 minutes played ... Dished out four assists in the win over Monmouth ... Scored two goals in the win at Boston College ... Had two goals and two assists in the overtime win over Vanderbilt ... Had two goals and an assist in the loss to George Mason ... Scored a goal and had two assists in the loss at James Madison ... **2000:** Started all 17 games as a freshman ... Scored 11 goals (tops



among freshmen) and added one assist for 12 points ... Led the team with 37 groundballs and 32 caused turnovers ... Scored a goal in her first three collegiate games ... Scored two goals in the wins over American and La Salle ... Registered a career-high three goals in the win over St. Bonaventure ... **High School:** Three-year letterwinner for Coach Jamie Frank at South Lakes High School ... First-team all-region ... First-team all-district ... Selected for U.S. Lacrosse All-Star State Games ... Helped lead team to regional final in 1997 ... Also lettered in field hockey and basketball ... All-district, all-region and all-metro in both ... Voted most athletic by senior class ... Named the Spirit of Sport Award recipient, given by the National Women's Sports Foundation ... U.S. Marine Corps scholar-athlete ... Also a member of the Spanish Honor Society ... **Personal:** Born December 30, 1980 ... Daughter of Mary Lou Sybert ... Majoring in political science.

**SAM SYBERT'S STATS**

YEAR	GP-GS	SOG	GLS	AST	TP	SH	CT	TO	GB
2000	17-17	22	11	1	12	.500	32	12	37
2001	15-15	34	15	12	27	.441	51	20	40
2002	16-16	51	22	19	41	.464	38	20	45
Totals	48-48	107	48	32	80	.449	121	52	122



**Amanda Counts**  
**5-9 • Jr. • Attack**  
**W.T. Woodson H.S.**  
**Fairfax, Va.**

Moves to the attack this season ... Has improved her stick work ... Willing to take chances ... Will be a leader on the team ... **2002:** Played in two games ... Collected one groundball and had a caused turnover ... **2001:** Took a redshirt year ... **High School:** Lettered three years for Coach Darah Bonham at Woodson High School ... First team all-district as a senior ... Second team all-region as a senior ... Team was undefeated and won the state championship as a junior ... Also lettered one year in both volleyball and field hockey at Woodson ... **Personal:** Born December 18, 1981 ... Daughter of Paige and David Counts ... Majoring in psychology.

**AMANDA COUNTS' STATS**

YEAR	GP-GS	SOG	GLS	AST	TP	SH	CT	TO	GB
2002	2-0	1	0	0	0	.000	1	1	1



**Jamie McGraw**  
**5-5 • Jr. • Goalkeeper**  
**St. Mary's H.S.**  
**Annapolis, Md.**

A team co-captain in 2003 ... Huge leader and impact on the team ... A very quick, smart player ... A good mixture of skill and athleticism ... Works extremely hard ... Has made many improvements ... **2002:** Second-team All-BIG EAST selection ... Led the conference in saves with 228 ... Also ranked second in the BIG EAST and 16th nationally in save percentage (.555) ...

Collected a team-high 50 groundballs ... Had a career-high 28 saves in the loss to No. 2 Georgetown ... Member of the BIG EAST Academic All-Star Team ... **2001:** Appeared in three games for the Hokies in relief of Stacey Rainbolt ... Recorded 12 saves in 73 minutes of action ... **High School:** Lettered one year for Coach Erika Bristow at St. Mary's High School ... Second team all-county as a senior ... Team won championship at 1999 Vail Shootout ... Also played in the 1999 national tournament ... Also lettered three years in field hockey ... **Personal:** Born September 17, 1982 ... Daughter of Robert and Lori McGraw ... Majoring in business.

**JAMIE MCGRAW'S STATS**

YEAR	GP-GS	MIN	SH	SAV	GLS	GAA	SV%	GB
2001	3-0	73	35	12	15	12.33	.444	0
2002	16-16	958	498	228	183	11.46	.555	50
Totals	19-16	1031	533	240	198	11.52	.548	50



**Kate Threadgold**  
**5-11 • Jr. • Attack**  
**University of South Australia**  
**Largs Bay, South Australia**

Led the attack last season ... Natural leader ... Talented international performer ... Powerful, all-around attacker ... Hungry for success ... **2002:** Played in all 16 games, starting 10 ... Led the Hokies in goals scored with 26 ... Ranked second on the team in total points with 34 ... Gathered 27 groundballs ... Tallied her first hat trick of the season in the loss to Richmond, adding two assists for five points ... Had two goals against Denver, George Mason, William & Mary and Syracuse ... Had three goals and an assist in the victory over Davidson ... Notched a goal and an assist at Northwestern ... Third hat-trick of the year came in the triple-overtime loss to Boston College ... Scored a season-high four goals, along with an assist, in the upset of No. 15 Ohio State ... Recorded two goals and an assist against Connecticut ... Named a BIG EAST Academic All-Star ... **High School:** Played for Coach David Inge at Woodville Warriors Lacrosse Club ... Most Consistent as a junior and senior ... S.A. All-Star teams and Rookie of the Year in 1999 ... Played on the Under-19 All-Australia Team ... Also played on the Under-16, Under-21 and Senior State teams ... Captain of the Australian touring team ... Team won a silver medal in the 1999 World Cup ... **Personal:** Born August 15, 1980 ... Daughter of Martin and Margret Threadgold ... Holds a bachelor of education degree from the University of South Australia ... Majoring in interdisciplinary studies.

**KATE THREADGOLD'S STATS**

YEAR	GP-GS	SOG	GLS	AST	TP	SH	CT	TO	GB
2002	16-10	79	26	8	34	.329	5	18	27

The HokieBird,  
 Tech's lovable mascot





# Lindsey Welch

5-4 • Jr. • Midfield  
Cherry Creek H.S.  
Englewood, Colo.

Shows a tremendous amount of heart, hustle and desire on the field ... With her incredible athletic ability, stick skills and game sense, Welch is a huge threat on the attack ... Has a quick first step and improved, powerful moves ... Expected to step into a leadership role ... **2002:** Started all 16 games for the Hokies ... Ranked second on the team in assists (nine) and third in goals scored (20) and total points (29) ... Also finished second on the team in groundballs collected with 48 ... Netted two goals against Duke and Georgetown ... Notched two goals and an assist against Monmouth, Davidson and Connecticut ... Earned her first hat-trick of the year in the win over fifteenth-ranked Ohio State, adding two assists for a season-high five points ... Second hat-trick of the season came in the loss to William & Mary ... Member of the BIG EAST Academic All-Star Team ... **2001:** Appeared in all 15 games, starting twice ... Scored two goals and had two assists for four points ... Had six draw controls and four groundballs ... Scored her first collegiate goal on the Hokies first goal of the season in the loss at #4 Duke ... Also had a goal in the overtime win against Vanderbilt ... **High School:** Lettered four years for Coach Charlie Waldbaum at Cherry Creek High School ... Team captain as a junior and senior ... All-American as a junior and senior ... MVP of the state championship game as a junior ... All-state as a sophomore, junior and senior ... Team won state championship as a freshman and junior ... *Denver Post* Player of the Year as a junior and senior ... Selected to tryout for the Under-19 National Team ... Also lettered four years in cross country, where she was MVP as a senior and the team won the state championship her freshman and sophomore years ... Member of the National Honor Society ... **Personal:** Born October 29, 1981 ... Daughter of Bill and Connie Welch ... Father, Bill, ran track and cross country at Notre Dame ... Grandfather, William, was a lacrosse All-American at Syracuse ... Majoring in health and physical education.

### LINDSEY WELCH'S STATS

YEAR	GP-GS	SOG	GLS	AST	TP	SH	CT	TO	GB
2001	15-2	8	2	2	4	.250	4	15	4
2002	16-16	54	20	9	29	.370	17	23	48
Totals	31-18	62	22	11	33	.355	21	38	52



# Hilary Fay

5-9 • r-So. • Midfield/Attack  
Shawnee H.S.  
Medford, N.J.

Hard worker with quick feet ... Persistent player with a great attitude ... Has improved her stick work ... Has a strong shot and incredible precision on the attack ... **2002:** Scored eight goals in only six games for the Hokies ... Recorded a hat-trick in the upset over fifteenth-ranked Ohio State ... Notched four goals in the

season finale against Syracuse ... Also scored against Connecticut ... **2001:** Did not appear in a game for the Hokies ... **High School:** Lettered three years for Coach Susan Rudderow at Shawnee High School ... First team all-conference as a senior ... Also lettered two years in track and cross country at Shawnee ... Team won state championship in 1998 and conference titles in 1999 and 2000 ... Member of the National Honor Society ... **Personal:** Born July 26, 1982 ... Daughter of Scott and Joyce Fay ... Majoring in history.

### HILARY FAY'S STATS

YEAR	GP-GS	SOG	GLS	AST	TP	SH	CT	TO	GB
2002	6-0	16	8	0	8	.500	2	2	8



# Melissa Fullenkamp

5-8 • So. • Midfield/Defense  
Our Lady of Good Counsel H.S.  
Silver Spring, Md.

Strong player who is very vocal ... Has been able to adapt to a new defense ... Expected to be a leader on the defensive end ... **2002:** Played in and started 15 games for the Hokies ... Led the team with 26 draw controls ... Gathered 31 groundballs and had 13 caused turnovers ... Scored one goal and notched two assists ... Had one assist each against Rutgers and Ohio State ... Netted her first collegiate goal in the win over Denver ... **High School:** Lettered four years for Coach Beth Nave at Good Counsel ... Also lettered three seasons in soccer ... All-county and all-conference as a senior ... Team won conference championship as a senior ... Soccer team was ranked No. 1 nationally as a senior and won three straight division championships ... Won Brother Remegious Award for leadership as a senior ... Member of Student Council and National Honor Society ... **Personal:** Born September 11, 1982 ... Daughter of Daniel and Jean Fullenkamp ... Has two older brothers ... Majoring in human development.

### MELISSA FULLENKAMP'S STATS

YEAR	GP-GS	SOG	GLS	AST	TP	SH	CT	TO	GB
2002	15-15	12	1	2	3	.083	13	14	31



# Suzanne Hazel

5-8 • So. • Defense  
Flint Hill Academy  
Oakton, Va.

Solid, all-around player ... Has struggled with illness since arriving at Tech ... Hopes to see action this season ... **2002:** Did not compete for the Hokies ... **High School:** Lettered four years for Coach Nicole Kassisiah at Flint Hill ... Won Coaches' Award ... Also lettered four years in soccer and three seasons in basketball ... Recipient of three Outstanding Achievement Awards for three years as a three-sport athlete ... **Personal:** Born December 30, 1982 ... Daughter of Bill and Cindy Hazel ... Majoring in building construction.



# Kristin Loughlin

5-4 • So. • Attack  
Bridgewater-Raritan H.S.  
Bridgewater, N.J.

Powerful attacker with a quick first step ... Has a quick shot ... Has improved feeding and one-on-one skills ... **2002:** Played seven games for the Hokies ... Notched two goals on the season ... Collected two groundballs ... Scored her first collegiate goal in the victory over Monmouth ... Also scored in the home win against Davidson ... Named to the BIG EAST Academic All-Star Team ... **High School:** Lettered four years for Coach Kathy Debonix at Bridgewater-Raritan High School ... Two-time first team all-state selection ... honorable-mention All-America ... Three-time all-conference, all-county and all-area ... Holds all of Bridgewater-Raritan's offensive records ... **Personal:** Born June 28, 1983 ... Daughter of Brian and Pat Loughlin ... Majoring in art.

### KRISTIN LOUGHLIN'S STATS

YEAR	GP-GS	SOG	GLS	AST	TP	SH	CT	TO	GB
2002	7-0	6	2	0	2	.333	0	2	2



# Lauren Whitty

5-9 • So. • Midfield/Defense  
St. Paul's School for Girls  
Timonium, Md.

Good quickness ... Tall, strong player who picks up on things quickly ... Impact player on the defensive end ... A threat on both ends of the field ... **2002:** Played in all 16 games for the Hokies, starting 11 ... Collected 18 groundballs ... Caused six turnovers ... Had four goals and four assists ... Scored her first collegiate goal against second-ranked Georgetown ... Notched two goals in the loss to Boston College ... Also netted a goal in the loss to Connecticut ... **High School:** Lettered four years for Coach Heather Castle at St. Paul's ... Also lettered four seasons in basketball and one season in cross country ... Second team all-county ... Member of Student Council ... **Personal:** Born March 20, 1983 ... Daughter of Bill and Mary Ellen Whitty ... Majoring in consumer studies.

### LAUREN WHITTY'S STATS

YEAR	GP-GS	SOG	GLS	AST	TP	SH	CT	TO	GB
2002	16-11	27	4	4	8	.148	6	11	18

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# Katie Boyle

5-6 • Fr. • Midfield/Defense  
Cherry Hill H.S. East  
Cherry Hill, N.J.

A hard-working defender with great game sense ... Takes care of any ground balls in the defensive end ... Has excellent speed and will be instrumental in carrying the ball out of the defensive end ... **High School:** Lettered three years for Coach Kimberley Gatelein at Cherry Hill High School East ... Team captain as a senior ... Ended high school career with 168 goals ... Team MVP her junior and senior years ... Second-leading scorer in the state of New Jersey as a senior with 91 goals ... Received first-team All-Olympic Conference honors as a senior ... A second-team All-South Jersey selection in 2002 ... Garnered honorable mention all-state honors as a senior ... Participated in the South Jersey All-Star Game and North/South All-Star Game ... A four-year letterwinner in soccer ... Earned second-team All-Olympic Conference honors ... Received the Olympic Conference Sportsmanship Award ... Also earned three letters in basketball ... Received honorable mention All-Olympic Conference honors ... Named the Cherry Hill East Defensive Player of the Year as a senior ... Cherry Hill Female Athlete of the Year in 2001 and 2002 ... Four-year honor roll student ... Class vice-president junior and senior years ... **Personal:** Born June 29, 1984 ... Daughter of Tom and Nancy Boyle ... Majoring in biology.



# Casey Goodman

5-2 • Fr. • Defense  
Sherwood H.S.  
Olney, Md.

An athlete with strong endurance ... Making a change to defense this year ... Her stamina will play a big part in offensive transition ... **High School:** Lettered four years for Coach Bob Milloy at Sherwood High School ... Received All-Gazette and all-county honors ... Also lettered four years in cross country ... Named to the All-Gazette and all-county teams ... Placed fifth at the Maryland State Championship ... Tabbed the high school athlete of the year ... Named Outstanding Senior Athlete ... **Personal:** Born April 6, 1984 ... Daughter of Bill and Christie Goodman ... Majoring in human nutrition, foods and exercise.



Tech's streamlined VT logo was created in 1984. The Hokies' school colors are burnt orange (PMS 158) and Chicago maroon (PMS 208).



## Carrie Hill

5-4 • Fr. • Goalkeeper  
Severna Park H.S.  
Severna Park, Md.

Was injured in the fall season but should return this spring ... A technical goalkeeper with effective clears ... A great communicator on the defensive end ... **High School:** Lettered four years for Coach Carin Peterson at Severna Park High School ... Member of a two-time (2000 & 2001) 4A state championship team ... Best performances came against Annapolis High School ... Recorded a .750 save percentage versus Annapolis in the 2001 regional semi-final match, notching 12 saves ... Also had seven saves and a save percentage of .714 in the 2002 regular-season match-up against Annapolis ... **Personal:** Born March 10, 1984 ... Daughter of Bill Hill and Sue Norris ... Father played lacrosse at Brown University, winning the Ivy League Championship in 1973 ... Majoring in finance/business law.



## Melissa Holecheck

5-6 • So. • Attack/Midfield  
Sts. Peter & Paul/Univ. of Denver  
Hurlock, Md.

Transferred to Tech from the University of Denver ... An attacker who just won't quit ... Extremely aggressive with an innate ability to find the back of the net ... **2002:** Earned a letter for coaches Kinsley O'Garrow and Abby Burbank at the University of Denver ... **High School:** Lettered four years for coaches Lisa and Dave Morrell at Saints Peter & Paul High School ... A two-time first-team All-Midshore selection ... Team MVP and conference Player of the Year as a senior ... Also lettered in field hockey for three years ... Recipient of the Sportsmanship Award ... **Personal:** Born June 11, 1983 ... Daughter of Kathleen and Louis Holecheck ... Majoring in sociology/psychology.



## Stephanie Jones

5-2 • Fr. • Midfield/Defense  
Broadneck H.S.  
Arnold, Md.

A midfielder who will make an immediate impact this season ... One of the smartest players on the field at all times ... Well-rounded player with the ability to dominate on both ends of the field ... **High School:** Lettered four years for Coach Karen Tengwall at Broadneck High School ... Co-captain and co-MVP of her team ... Received first-team All-America accolades ... A first-team all-county

selection ... Team won the 2002 Maryland 4A State Championship ... Also earned four letters for soccer ... A team captain and MVP for two years ... A second-team all-state selection as a junior ... Received first-team all-county honors ... **Personal:** Born April 27, 1984 ... Daughter of Stephen and Patricia Jones ... Majoring in communications.



## Liz Longo

5-5 • Fr. • Midfield/Defense  
Collegiate H.S.  
Midlothian, Va.

Strong defender with incredible speed ... Has a tremendous learning curve ... Will show continued improvement this season ... **High School:** Lettered three years for coaches Brooke Martin and Val Pate at Collegiate High School ... Also played varsity lacrosse as a freshman at St. Paul's in Baltimore, Md. ... Named to the All-LIS and Richmond All-Star teams in sophomore and senior years ... Injured in her junior season ... A team captain and four-year starter ... Also lettered in field hockey for four years ... Member of a state championship team ... Received All-LIS and all-state recognition as a sophomore ... A second-team All-Metro and All-LIS selection in her junior year ... Earned first-team All-Metro and all-state honors as a senior ... Team captain and four-year starter ... **Personal:** Born December 28, 1983 ... Daughter of Joe and Joanna Longo ... Majoring in communications.



## Jessica Lovelady

5-6 • Fr. • Midfield/Attack  
Maryvale Prep.  
Towson, Md.

Hard working attacker with a great knowledge of the game ... An unselfish player who is extremely easy to play with ... Will make an impact on the attack this spring ... **High School:** Lettered three years for Coach Erin Stewart at Maryvale Preparatory ... Played on a team that won the I.A.A.M. championship ... Also lettered in field hockey for two years ... Member of National Honor Society ... **Personal:** Born May 22, 1984 ... Daughter of Patti and Steve Lovelady ... Majoring in biology.

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## Anna Melnicove

5-6 • Fr. • Midfield/Defense  
W.T. Woodson H.S.  
Fairfax, Va.

One of the top athletes on Tech's squad this season ... A quick, fast defender who can also run the midfield ... Her presence is always obvious on the field ... Never gives up ... **High School:** Lettered four years for Coach Darah Bonham at W.T. Woodson High School ... Two-time first-team all-district and Northern Region selection ... Team captain and MVP ... Played on a team which captured four district championships, two regional championships and two state championships ... Also lettered four years on the dance squad ... **Personal:** Born October 21, 1983 ... Daughter of Mike and Marilyn Melnicove ... Majoring in biology.



## Lauren Therit

5-4 • Fr. • Defense  
North Carroll H.S.  
Hampstead, Md.

Making a change to defense this year ... A great hustler ... Very aggressive ... Showed incredible improvement throughout the fall ... Will make an impact on the midfield transition on the defensive end ... **High School:** Lettered three years for Coach Amy Eggers at North Carroll High School ... A first-team all-county selection by the *Baltimore Sun* ... Earned second-team all-county recognition from the *Carroll County Times* ... Also lettered two years in soccer ... Named to the all-county second team as a senior ... **Personal:** Born January 8, 1984 ... Daughter of Bob and Joan Therit ... Enrolled in university studies.



## Lindsay Neese

5-5 • So. • Midfield/Defense  
Albemarle H.S.  
Charlottesville, Va.

A midfield defender with great endurance ... Showed tremendous improvement on the defensive end this year ... Aggressive and a bruise giver ... **High School:** Lettered three years for Coach Jackie Hartley at Albemarle High School ... Team captain ... Earned All-Central Virginia recognition in junior and senior years ... An all-region selection as a senior ... Recipient of the Baylor Award, for dedication and heart, in her junior year ... Freshman on the team which won the state championship ... Also earned three letters in field hockey ... Received All-Central Virginia honors as a senior ... Team captain and MVP in her senior season ... Member of National Honor Society ... **Personal:** Born January 18, 1983 ... Daughter of Patrice and Scott Neese ... Father played lacrosse and football at Washington & Lee ... Enrolled in university studies.



## Mary Cay Thomas

5-2 • Fr. • Attack  
Notre Dame Prep.  
Baltimore, Md.

Has a great attitude and work ethic ... An attacker who is finishing her recovery from an ACL injury ... **High School:** Lettered two years for Coach Mary Bartel at Notre Dame Preparatory ... Team won the AIIM championship in her junior year ... Also earned three letters in field hockey and swimming ... Swimming team won the championship all three years ... **Personal:** Born July 12, 1984 ... Daughter of Mike and Cathy Thomas ... Father was an All-American in lacrosse and was the nation's leading scorer ... Grandfather and uncle were both All-Americans in lacrosse and are enshrined in the National Lacrosse Hall of Fame ... Majoring in engineering.



## Ashley Puckett

5-4 • Fr. • Defense  
Severna Park H.S.  
Millersville, Md.

Feisty, aggressive defender ... Has already established herself as a leader on the defense in only her first season ... **High School:** Lettered three years for Coach Carin Peterson at Severna Park High School ... Member of two-time (2000 & 2001) state championship team ... Also earned two letters in soccer ... Team also won a state title ... **Personal:** Born May 29, 1984 ... Daughter of Debbie and Jim Puckett ... Majoring in interdisciplinary studies.



## Lindsay Wooten

6-0 • Fr. • Attack/Midfield  
Severna H.S.  
Annapolis, Md.

Attacker with awesome height ... Her size and stick skills make her a force to be reckoned with on the offensive end ... **High School:** Lettered four years for Coach Rene Sotorapolus at Severna High School ... Team MVP ... Recipient of the Kimball Groundball Award and the Players' Award ... Named to the all-star team in her junior and senior seasons ... Earned first-team all-county honors as a senior ... Also received four letters for basketball ... A two-time team MVP ... Received first-team all-county accolades as a senior ... **Personal:** Born October 24, 1983 ... Daughter of Sim and Currie Wooten ... Majoring in business.

# The Hokies' Athletic Complex

Cassell Coliseum — home to the basketball, wrestling and volleyball teams

The Merryman Center and Jamerson Athletic Center house the department offices as well as strength, training and academic support facilities

65,115-seat Lane Stadium is home to the Hokies' nationally ranked football team

The swimming and diving teams compete in War Memorial Pool, located in the middle of campus

Tech's lacrosse and soccer field, in the center of the athletic complex, will have an outstanding new stadium in the fall of 2003

Rector Field House provides a full-size indoor practice facility and houses Tech's state-of-the-art indoor track

Tech Softball Field

The Johnson-Miller Track & Field Complex

English Field is home to the Tech baseball team

Tech's cross country course is located on the west side of campus

The golf team enjoys privileges at Tech's on-campus golf course and four other nearby courses

The tennis teams play on the south edge of campus at the Burrows-Burleson Tennis Center



**Dr. Charles Steger**  
University President



**Jim Weaver**  
Director of Athletics



**Sharon McCloskey**  
Senior Associate Director of Athletics



**Jon Jaudon**  
Associate Dir. of Ath. (oversees lacrosse)

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# SUPPORT SERVICES

## STUDENT ATHLETE ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES

The success of Virginia Tech's athletic program rests largely on the academic progress of each student-athlete. The academic performance of Tech student-athletes has improved each year due in part to the Student Athlete Academic Support Services (SAASS).

The Virginia Tech graduation rate for student-athletes has risen significantly in recent years and reached 71 percent in 2002 as compared to the national average of 58 percent. The 71 percent student-athlete graduation rate marks the fourth time in the last nine years that Tech has reached that level.

SAASS provides programming for student-athletes from their freshman year through graduation. This includes a comprehensive orientation to Tech, study hall, mentoring, tutoring, academic monitoring, academic recognition, and eligibility education. Additionally, student-athletes are referred to and encouraged to take advantage of other campus agencies charged with helping students in their academic pursuits.

Academic facilities for student-athletes include the Monogram Room, a large room used as a study hall area adjacent to the SAASS office in Cassell Coliseum. The HEAT (Hokies Engaging in Advanced Technology) Lab and its satellite sites house over 40 computers on the second and third floors of Cassell Coliseum. Laptop computers are also available for Tech athletes to use when travelling to away contests. The athletic department also provides areas for private, quiet study for the athletes' convenience.



Chris Helms

Athletes can use these facilities between classes, after practice, or in the evenings, with flexible hours tailored to make the most of a student-athlete's limited time.

SAASS is comprised of coordinator Chris Helms, associate coordinators Lois Berg and Colin Howlett and three assistant coordinators – Katie Ammons, Renia Edwards and Drew Scales. Terrie Repass is the secretary and the "first contact" person for the SAASS. Scales coordinates the academic services for the lacrosse team.



Drew Scales

## STRENGTH & CONDITIONING

For the Virginia Tech lacrosse team, the strength and conditioning program, under the direction of Assistant Athletics Director for Athletic Performance Mike Gentry, plays a very important role.

The lacrosse team trains in the Jim "Bulldog" Haren Weight Room. Located in Jamerson Athletic Center, the 5,000-square foot weight room was officially dedicated in September 1985 to Haren, a former Hokie player and long-time supporter of the Virginia Tech Athletic Department.



Mike Gentry

Gentry is in his 15th season as the Hokies' director of strength and conditioning. As assistant athletics director for athletic performance, his duties include overseeing the strength and conditioning training of athletes in all 21 varsity sports at Virginia Tech.

A native of Durham, N.C., Gentry received his bachelor's degree in physical education from Western Carolina University in 1979 and received his master's from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1981 where he worked as an assistant strength coach. He then went to East Carolina University and was elevated to head strength coach there in 1982. Gentry received his doctorate in curriculum and instruction, with an emphasis in motor behavior, from Virginia Tech in 1999.

Assisting Gentry in the weight room this year are three full-time assistant strength and conditioning coaches: Jay Johnson, assistant director of strength and conditioning, Terry Mitchell, strength and

conditioning coordinator of men's Olympic sports, and Emily Chones, strength and conditioning coordinator for women's Olympic sports. Gentry will also have the services of five graduate assistants — Erin O'Neil, Lisa Guarneri, Keith Short, Gabe Teeple and Ken Oxendine.

Chones, in her second year at Virginia Tech, came to Blacksburg from the University of New Mexico, where she spent one year as an assistant strength coach. Prior to her time at UNM, she worked three years at the United States Naval Academy and was directly responsible for six sports and assisted with all other varsity programs.



Emily Chones

Chones is a 1998 graduate of the University of Maryland with a degree in kinesiology. She competed in lacrosse for three years, including 1994-95 when she was a starter for the nationally-ranked James Madison Dukes.

The Annapolis, Md., native is a Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist with the NSCA and is a member of USA weightlifting.

## SPORTS MEDICINE & TRAINING

The Virginia Tech Sports Medicine Department is an ever-changing and developing unit that strives to provide the most current and comprehensive care to all student-athletes.

The department, under the leadership of Dr. Gunnar Brolinson, Dr. Delmas Bolin, Dr. Duane Lagan and Mike Goforth, director of athletic training, is constantly evolving to incorporate new ideas and state-of-the-art resources for the betterment of student-athletes. A staff including general practitioners, orthopedic surgeons, certified athletic trainers, physical therapists, chiropractors, massage therapists, sports psychologists, nutritionists and orthotists, are available to manage the health care of athletes.



Dr. Gunnar Brolinson

As part of the evolution, Tech recently completed the 4,300 square foot Eddie Ferrell Memorial Training Room. This area consolidated the training rooms that existed in the Merryman Center and Cassell Coliseum. The new facility gives the training staff a centralized area to care for the needs of all Virginia Tech student-athletes.

The new room, which nearly doubles the size of the former Merryman Center facility, also allows the staff to utilize that room for physical therapy, chiropractic care and massage therapy. With its completion, Virginia Tech now has more than 10,000 square feet dedicated to sports medicine, placing Tech in the top five percent nationally.

In addition, the \$10 million Merryman Center, a state-of-the-art facility which includes 2,400 square feet of medical space, will supplement the new training room.



Ron Esteban

This treatment room has numerous treatment modalities including electric stimulation, ultrasound, hot packs and interferential current. It also has an office for the staff, dozens of training tables, whirlpools, rehabilitation equipment and two cold tubs.

A vital part of student-athlete services is the access to the Schiffert Student Health Center in McComas Hall. A health center and counseling services are available on one side of McComas Hall, while recreation sports and fitness programs are available on the other. The center also has a fully-operational diagnostic laboratory, X-ray facilities and eight full-time physicians. Staff psychologists, located in the Cook Counseling Center, are also available to all student-athletes for personal and performance issues.

Ron Esteban oversees the athletic training needs of the women's lacrosse team. Working directly with the lacrosse team this year is Megan Rittler, now in her second year at Tech.



Megan Rittler



# 2002 RESULTS & STATISTICS

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	VT SCORERS
2/26/02	#2 DUKE	L	3-13	Hentz, Welch (Whitty), Welch
3/2/02	at Rutgers*	W	9-8	Madden (Sybert), Hentz, Kenney, Dieringer (Fullenkamp), Hentz (Madden), Givens, Welch Threadgold, Dieringer
3/3/02	at Monmouth	W	13-7	Sybert (Coolahan), Hentz, Sybert (Dieringer), Threadgold, Dieringer (Givens), Welch (Sybert), Hentz, Loughlin, Welch, Sybert (Welch), Tsimbidis (Sybert), Hentz (Tsimbidis), Cannon (Hentz)
3/10/02	#2 GEORGETOWN*	L	9-11	Welch, Hentz, Madden (Kenney), Whitty, Tsimbidis (Sybert), Dieringer (Sybert), Hentz, Hentz, Welch
3/15/02	RICHMOND	L	9-10	Threadgold, Threadgold, Dieringer (Welch), Threadgold, Dieringer (Threadgold), Sybert, Sybert (Welch), Kenney (Sybert), Tsimbidis (Threadgold)
3/22/02	Denver (@Baltimore)	W	10-5	Sybert, Hentz, Hentz, Sybert, Fullenkamp, Threadgold (Hentz), Madden, Madden (Sybert), Sybert, Threadgold (Cannon)
3/23/02	at George Mason	L	9-13	Kenney, Kenney, Kenney, Threadgold, Threadgold (Welch), Welch (Coolahan), Sybert (Hentz), Tsimbidis, Tsimbidis
3/26/02	DAVIDSON	W	19-6	Tsimbidis (Sybert), Sybert, Madden, Hentz, Hentz (Tsimbidis), Hentz, Welch, Hentz, Welch, Tsimbidis, Threadgold (Sybert), Kenney, Kenney (Threadgold), Sybert (Dieringer), Threadgold, Kenney (Whitty), Threadgold (Welch), Hentz, Loughlin
3/30/02	at #14 Notre Dame*	L	4-15	Dieringer, Hentz, Tsimbidis, Tsimbidis
4/1/02	at Northwestern	W	10-5	Tsimbidis, Dieringer, Tsimbidis (Sybert), Madden, Dieringer (Givens), Threadgold (Sybert), Sybert (Threadgold), Kenney (Coolahan), Dieringer (Sybert), Sybert
4/6/02	BOSTON COLLEGE* 3OT	L	15-16	Tsimbidis, Givens, Hentz, Welch, Kenney (Sybert), Tsimbidis, Threadgold, Threadgold (Welch), Kenney (Welch), Whitty (Tsimbidis), Sybert, Sybert (Givens), Sybert, Threadgold (Coolahan), Whitty
4/10/02	#3 VIRGINIA	L	3-18	Sybert, Welch, Kenney
4/13/02	#15 OHIO STATE	W	16-14	Welch, Kenney (Welch), Tsimbidis (Threadgold), Madden (Welch), Threadgold, Fay (Sybert), Welch (Whitty), Sybert (Dieringer), Threadgold (Madden), Threadgold, Fay, Welch (Sybert), Fay (Fullenkamp), Madden, Kenney, Threadgold (Sybert)
4/20/02	CONNECTICUT*	L	11-12	Kenney (Givens), Sybert, Madden (Welch), Threadgold (Madden), Kenney, Welch (Madden), Welch, Fay (Sybert), Sybert (Threadgold), Whitty, Threadgold
4/24/02	at William & Mary	L	12-16	Kenney, Threadgold (Kenney), Welch (Madden), Sybert, Welch, Kenney, Welch, Threadgold, Givens, Sybert, Tsimbidis (Sybert), Tsimbidis
4/28/02	at #18 Syracuse*	L	8-18	Madden, Threadgold, Threadgold, Dieringer (Sybert), Fay, Fay (Whitty), Fay (Threadgold), Fay (Threadgold)

\* - BIG EAST Conference Game

## 2002 Virginia Tech Individual Lacrosse Statistics

No.	Player	GP	GS	SOG	GLS	AST	TP	SH%	FPS	TO	CT	GB	DC	Fis
31	Sam Sybert	16	16	51	22	19	41	0.431	9	20	38	45	11	22
23	Kate Threadgold	16	10	79	26	8	34	0.329	10	18	5	27	17	11
10	Lindsey Welch	16	16	54	20	9	29	0.370	6	23	17	48	19	21
2	Kellyn Hentz	13	12	38	18	4	22	0.474	2	17	15	24	4	27
7	Lauren Kenney	16	11	49	18	2	20	0.367	8	15	4	14	11	9
19	Lisa Tsimbidis	12	6	40	16	3	19	0.400	5	15	1	13	13	7
22	Katie Madden	16	11	36	10	5	15	0.278	10	17	7	17	19	3
8	Lacey Dieringer	16	7	34	11	3	14	0.324	4	10	4	16	3	2
1	Lauren Whitty	16	11	27	4	4	8	0.148	5	17	6	18	15	7
17	Hilary Fay	6	0	16	8	0	8	0.500	2	2	2	8	4	5
29	Lisa Givens	16	16	13	3	4	7	0.231	2	9	15	36	4	12
15	Kathleen Coolahan	16	16	6	0	4	4	0.000	3	15	21	39	9	28
11	Melissa Fullenkamp	15	15	12	1	2	3	0.083	3	14	13	31	26	13
12	Kristin Loughlin	7	0	6	2	0	2	0.333	1	2	0	2	0	2
25	Deana Cannon	7	0	3	1	1	2	0.333	0	5	0	4	1	3
18	Carrie Birely	16	16	0	0	0	0	0.000	0	4	30	31	2	18
30	Jamie McGraw	16	16	0	0	0	0	0.000	0	4	0	50	0	1
35	Kim Geis	15	12	1	0	0	0	0.000	0	9	8	20	5	16
20	Kiersten Huber	11	0	0	0	0	0	0.000	0	1	7	3	0	4
4	Kerry Anderson	3	0	3	0	0	0	0.000	1	1	0	1	1	0
27	Sarah Duffy	3	0	0	0	0	0	0.000	0	0	1	1	0	2
44	Addy Connolly	3	0	0	0	0	0	0.000	0	0	0	1	0	0
9	Amanda Counts	2	0	1	0	0	0	0.000	0	1	1	1	0	0
26	Jessie Goertler	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.000	0	1	0	1	0	0
6	Rachel Urban	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.000	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	Ashley Maza	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.000	0	0	0	0	0	0
21	Catie Vissoe	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.000	0	0	0	0	0	0
Team Totals		16	N/A	469	160	68	228	0.341	71	214	195	451	164	213
Opponent Totals		16	N/A	509	187	68	255	0.367	72	237	193	382	174	189

### Goalkeeper Statistics

Player	GP	GS	Min.	Shots	Saves	Goals	GAA	Sv.%
Connolly	3	0	11	11	2	4	21.82	.333
McGraw	16	16	958	498	228	183	11.46	.555
Team	16	N/A	969	509	230	187	11.58	.552
Opp.	16	N/A	969	469	160	160	9.91	.500



Kate Threadgold was the Hokies' top goal scorer in 2002.

Score by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT	Final
Virginia Tech	83	76	1	0	160
Opponent	86	99	1	1	187

# THE RECORD BOOK

## Career Leaders

### GOALS

1. Dawn Will	186	1997-2000
2. Amy Mantooth	109	1995-98
3. Catherine Augustyn	99	1996-99
4. Courtney Hubbard	92	1997-2000
5. Suzy Funston	85	1996-99
6. Maeghan O'Doherty	68	1997-2000
7. Kellyn Hentz	66	2000-02
8. Karen Diacont	62	1998-2001
9. Lisa Tsimbidis	60	2000-02
10. <b>Sam Sybert</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>2000-present</b>

### ASSISTS

1. Catherine Augustyn	62	1996-99
2. Suzy Funston	43	1996-99
3. Courtney Hubbard	37	1997-2000
4. Dawn Will	35	1997-2000
5. <b>Sam Sybert</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>2000-present</b>
6. Meaghan O'Doherty	30	1997-2000
7. Karen Diacont	26	1998-2000
8. Amy Mantooth	22	1995-98
9. Jane Poole	18	1999-2001
10. Kellyn Hentz	15	2000-02

### GROUNDBALLS

1. Sue Cowperthwait	127	1996-99
2. <b>Sam Sybert</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>2000-present</b>
3. Dawn Will	111	1997-2000
4. Lisa Pfeiffer	103	1997-2000
5. Courtney Hubbard	102	1997-2000
Meaghan O'Doherty	102	1997-2000
7. Catherine Augustyn	97	1996-99
8. Lisa Givens	87	1998-99, 2001-02
9. Amy Mantooth	86	1995-98
10. Suzy Funston	81	1996-99

### BLOCKS/INTERCEPTIONS/CT'S

1. <b>Sam Sybert</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>2000-present</b>
2. Sue Cowperthwait	66	1996-99
3. Lisa Pfeiffer	62	1997-2000
4. Carrie Birely	60	1999-02
5. Heather Dent	44	1995-97
6. Erin Curran	43	1997, 1999-2000
7. Brooke Martin	40	1995-96
8. Dawn Will	32	1997-2000
9. Kathleen Coolahan	31	2001-present
Kendra King	31	1995-98

### SAVES

1. Melissa Wagner	771	1996-99
2. Stacey Rainbolt	492	1998-2001
3. <b>Jamie McGraw</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>2001-present</b>
4. Christina Francis	176	1995-96

### GAA (min. 200 minutes)

1. Melissa Wagner	11.18	1996-99
2. <b>Jamie McGraw</b>	<b>11.52</b>	<b>2001-present</b>
3. Christina Francis	12.49	1995-96
4. Stacey Rainbolt	12.53	1998-2001

### SAVE PERCENTAGE (min. 50 saves)

1. <b>Jamie McGraw</b>	<b>.548</b>	<b>2001-present</b>
2. Melissa Wagner	.533	1996-99
3. Christina Francis	.521	1995-96
4. Stacey Rainbolt	.515	1998-2001

## Season Leaders

### GOALS

1. Dawn Will	61	2000
2. Dawn Will	60	1999
3. Dawn Will	46	1998
4. Amy Mantooth	39	1995
5. Kellyn Hentz	38	2001
6. Suzy Funston	34	1996
Amy Mantooth	34	1996
8. Catherine Augustyn	32	1996
Catherine Augustyn	32	1999
10. Courtney Hubbard	30	2000

### ASSISTS

1. Suzy Funston	25	1996
2. Catherine Augustyn	21	1996
Catherine Augustyn	21	1999
4. Courtney Hubbard	19	1999
<b>Sam Sybert</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>2002</b>
6. Dawn Will	13	2000
7. Catherine Augustyn	12	1998
Courtney Hubbard	12	2000
Alice Matos	12	1995
<b>Sam Sybert</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2001</b>

### GROUNDBALLS

1. <b>Jamie McGraw</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>2002</b>
2. <b>Lindsey Welch</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>2002</b>
3. <b>Sam Sybert</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>2002</b>
4. Lisa Pfeiffer	43	1997
5. Sue Cowperthwait	42	1996
Brooke Martin	42	1995
7. <b>Sam Sybert</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>2001</b>
8. Kathleen Coolahan	39	2002
9. Sue Cowperthwait	38	1999
Kati Wise	38	1996

### BLOCKS/INTERCEPTIONS/CT'S

1. <b>Sam Sybert</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>2001</b>
2. <b>Sam Sybert</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>2000</b>
3. <b>Sam Sybert</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>2002</b>
4. Carrie Birely	30	2002
5. Sue Cowperthwait	26	1996
6. Heather Dent	22	1996
Lisa Pfeiffer	22	2000
8. Kathleen Coolahan	21	2002
Sue Cowperthwait	21	1999
Erin Curran	21	2000

### SAVES

1. <b>Jamie McGraw</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>2002</b>
2. Stacey Rainbolt	210	2000
3. Melissa Wagner	200	1999
4. Melissa Wagner	171	1997
5. Stacey Rainbolt	167	2001

### GAA (min. 200 minutes)

1. Stacey Rainbolt	5.83	1999
2. Christina Francis	6.70	1996
3. Melissa Wagner	7.17	1996
4. Melissa Wagner	8.88	1999
5. Melissa Wagner	9.00	1998

### SAVE PERCENTAGE

1. Stacey Rainbolt	.615	1998
2. Melissa Wagner	.570	1999
3. Christina Francis	.559	1996
4. <b>Jamie McGraw</b>	<b>.555</b>	<b>2002</b>
5. Stacey Rainbolt	.547	2000



Lindsey Welch ranks second on Tech's list for groundballs in a single season.



Dawn Will holds Tech's single-season and career records for goals scored.

### YEAR-BY-YEAR RESULTS

Year	Rec.	Coach
1995	2-7	Dipi Bhaya
1996	8-6	Dipi Bhaya
1997	4-11	Dipi Bhaya
1998	8-6	Brooke Martin
1999	11-6	Brooke Martin
2000	9-8	Brooke Martin
2001	6-9	Brooke Martin
2002	6-10	Tami Riley

# Blacksburg Virginia College Town U.S.A.



One of America's classic college towns, Blacksburg is a perfect setting for Virginia Tech.

Located in Southwest Virginia on a plateau between the Blue Ridge and Alleghany Mountains, Blacksburg combines the laid-back lifestyle of a small town with the amenities one would expect to find around a major center of higher education. Together, the town and university have worked hard to create a progressive community that ranks among the nation's elite living environments. Blacksburg was recently named one of the Top 10 places to live by *Outside* magazine.

Virginia Tech and the Town of Blacksburg gained national and international attention by creating the world's first "electronic village." Businesses and industries have been drawn by the quaint town's potential.

Established in 1798 by John and William Black, the town is surrounded by scenic mountain views that accentuate the area. The nearly 40,000 residents (including students) enjoy a close proximity to a variety of recreation areas such as the Blue Ridge Parkway, Appalachian Trail, Claytor Lake and the New River.

