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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

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.

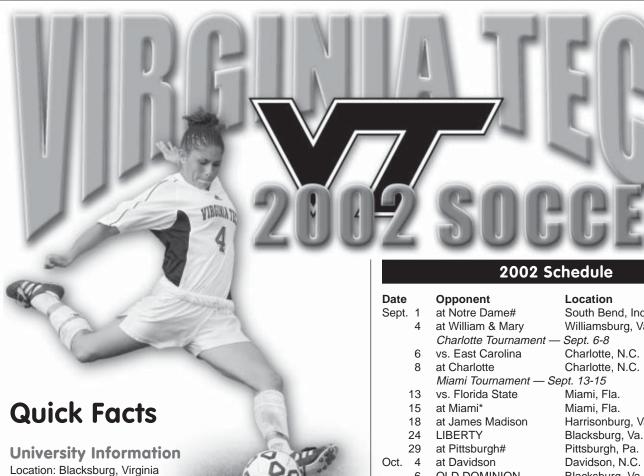
Many of Virginia Tech's traditions and strengths are rooted in the university's motto, Ut Prosim ("That I May Serve") and its land-grant missions of instruction, research, and outreach. By generating new knowledge through research and through its outreach mandate, Virginia Tech disseminates practical 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.











Founded: 1872

Founded: 1872 Enrollment: 26,000 Nickname: Hokies

Colors: Chicago maroon & burnt orange

NCAA Affiliation: Division I Conference: BIG EAST President: Charles W. Steger Director of Athletics: Jim Weaver

#### **Women's Soccer Information**

Soccer Office Phone	(540) 231-3671
Head Coach	Sam Okpodu
Alma Mater	North Carolina State, 1987
Record at VT	
Career Record	
Assistant Coach	Paula Duke
2001 Record	8-9-3
2001 BIG EAST Record (Northeast Division	on) 1-4-1
Starters Returning/Lost	7/4
Letterwinners Returning/Lost	11/7
Newcomers	13
Soccer Facility	Frank O. Moseley Field
Surface (Capacity)	

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Sept. 1	at Notre Dame#	South Bend, Ind.	1 p.m.
4	at William & Mary	Williamsburg, Va.	7 p.m.
	Charlotte Tournament	t — Sept. 6-8	
6	vs. East Carolina	Charlotte, N.C.	5 p.m.
8	at Charlotte	Charlotte, N.C.	2:30 p.m.
	Miami Tournament —	- Sept. 13-15	
13	vs. Florida State	Miami, Fla.	4:30 p.m.
15	at Miami*	Miami, Fla.	2 p.m.
18	at James Madison	Harrisonburg, Va.	7 p.m.
24	LIBERTY	Blacksburg, Va.	4 p.m.
29	at Pittsburgh#	Pittsburgh, Pa.	1 p.m.
Oct. 4	at Davidson	Davidson, N.C.	4 p.m.
6	OLD DOMINION	Blacksburg, Va.	1 p.m.
11	BOSTON COLLEGE*	Blacksburg, Va.	3:30 p.m.
13	PROVIDENCE*	Blacksburg, Va.	Noon
20	SYRACUSE*	Blacksburg, Va.	1 p.m.
23	WEST VIRGINIA#	Blacksburg, Va.	3 p.m.
25	at St. John's*	Jamaica, N.Y.	4 p.m.
27	at Connecticut*	Storrs, Conn.	1 p.m.
30	RADFORD	Blacksburg, Va.	3 p.m.
Nov. 2,	8, 10 — BIG EAST Char	mpionship (sites and ti	mes TBD)

Home Games in ALL CAPS

\* Indicates BIG EAST Conference opponent

# BIG EAST opponent, does not count towards league standings

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Kevin Fischer

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# Vz/2002 OUTLOOK

# Hokies Prepare for the Program's 10th Season

Head coach Sam Okpodu guides the Virginia Tech women's soccer team into the program's 10th season in 2002. The Hokies made their BIG EAST debut in 2001 with a 1-4-1 record in the conference's Northeast Division and an 8-9-3 record overall. In 2002, the Hokies will look to improve on that record but they will have to do so without the top four scorers from the 2001 season — Kim Wyckoff (10 points), Wendy Kotwas (nine points), Joy Nsubuga (nine points) and Carmen Chestnut (eight points) — and the program's all-time leading scorer, Victoria Sarfo-Kantanka (47 career points).

Fortunately, Okpodu has ample talent available to fill the holes left behind by the graduated seniors. After one year of competition in the BIG EAST Conference, the Hokies have become more familiar with the aggressive BIG EAST style of play thanks to a year of "on-the-job training."

Tech returns the bulk of its 2001 defense, which limited opponents to 1.30 goals per game and featured a goalkeeper, Katie Hancock, who recorded the sixth-best goals against average (1.24) in the conference.

With only two seniors on this year's roster, the Hokies will rely on the rapid development of the team's young, talented players. The special blend of experience and competitiveness that this year's team possesses will help Okpodu prepare his squad for its second season in the BIG EAST, one of the toughest conferences in the nation.

#### Goalkeepers

Hancock returns for another season between the pipes for the Hokies. During her two-year career at Virginia Tech, Hancock has anchored the Virginia Tech defense, making 192 career saves in 3161 minutes. In 2001, her 1.24 goals against average ranked sixth

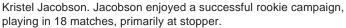
among all BIG EAST goalies. Hancock started all 20 games last season and posted five shutouts.

Sophomore Natasha Dirda joins the Hokies after earning a spot during the spring season and will serve as the back-up goalkeeper this season.

#### **Defenders**

The Hokies return a wealth of experience and talent at defense this season. Senior captain Krista Dooley, one of just two seniors on the roster, will direct the Hokies' defense in 2002. Last season, Dooley started all 20 games and played an integral role in limiting the Hokie opponents to 1.30 goals per game.

Assisting Dooley on defense will be last year's team MVP, sophomore



Junior Blair Eason will join Dooley and Jacobson on defense at left fullback. Eason entered last season recovering from surgery in the summer of 2001 but still managed to see action in 14 games.

Last season, sophomore Sarah Kammerer was immediately called into action as a freshman when last year's sweeper, Linda Bruce, went down with an injury. Kammerer made the necessary adjustments to the college game with ease. Her speed and tenacity at the sweeper and midfield position will be displayed even more in 2002.

Junior Meghan Foy's speed and quickness will provide support for the Hokies' defense along with senior Courtney Graybill.

#### Midfielders

Midfielders Emily Barnhart and Kathy Holdsworth will spearhead the Hokies' offensive attack in 2002.

Barnhart, a junior, will be at the center of the Hokies' attack. After storming onto the scene as a freshman tallying 15 points (five goals, five assists), Barnhardt's production offensively continued last year, posting seven points (three goals, one assist) in 14 starts. She possesses a strong outside shot that can be dangerous from long range.

Holdsworth, described by the coaching staff as a "true team leader," has the athleticism and ability to



Kathy Holdsworth

play anywhere on the field, but in 2002 she will log minutes primarily at the center of the Hokies' attack. Her scrappy approach to the game and quick feet will provide Tech with numerous scoring opportunities. Holdsworth produced three goals and one assist during her sophomore season and expects to pick up right where she left off.

Sophomore Amy Rappaport's relentless work ethic last season has earned her a spot in the starting lineup at the outside midfield position. Rappaport started 15 of the 18 games she played in last season and the coaching staff expects her to become more creative on the offensive end, developing into one of the Hokies' playmakers.

Junior Nina Figueroa will also factor into the outside midfield and forward positions. Despite seeing limited playing time in 2001, Figueroa will provide Hokies with depth at both positions. Junior Jessica Russell will also compete for playing time in the midfield.



Krista Dooley

#### **Forwards**

Sophomore Ryan Johnson returns to the Virginia Tech lineup after enjoying a successful rookie campaign. Johnson suffered an injury early in the season, which limited her playing time, but was still able to score three goals on just 14 shots, including two gamewinning goals.

Jessica Myers' athleticism and ability to score and set up goals will earn her playing time this season. Myers saw action in 18 games last season, starting eight. Myers, a junior, has 13 points (five goals, three assists) in her first two seasons as a Hokie.

The addition of 12 freshmen may prove to be a valuable acquisition for Okpodu and the Hokies this season. Headlining the freshmen class are three players from Pennsylvania who all played for the F.C. Delco Destroyers club team: Andrea Angelos, Ashley Stoutland and Erin Zlomek. All three players will compete for playing time immediately. Joining the Keystone State trio is a group of seven recruits from Virginia and two from the state of Florida.

Rising to the top of one of

the nation's toughest conferences will not be an easy task for the Hokies as they face some of the country's elite programs in 2002. Virginia Tech will jump right into the thick of things with a trip to South Bend, Ind., to face perennial powerhouse Notre Dame in the season opener.

The Hokies will have to adjust quickly to the new lineup. but the proper mixture of youth and game experience may lead to an exciting 2002 season.

#### 2002 Virginia Tech Roster

#### Numerical Listina

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No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown	High School
00	Katie Hancock**	GK	5-10	Jr.	Stockton, Md.	Snow Hill H.S.
1	Natasha Dirda	GK	5-5	So.	McKees Rocks, Pa.	Montour H.S.
2	Erin Zlomek	F/M	5-5	Fr.	Pottstown, Pa.	Pottsgrove H.S.
3	Meghan Foy	D	5-8	Jr.	Mechanicsville, Va.	Atlee H.S.
4	Amy Rappaport*	M/D	5-4	Jr.	Columbia, Md.	Howard H.S.
5	Kjersti Trout	M	5-9	Fr.	Stafford, Va.	Colonial Forge H.S.
6	Krista Dooley***	D	5-2	Sr.	Richmond, Va.	Freeman H.S.
7	Pam Schneider	M	5-2	Fr.	Fairfax, Va.	Robinson H.S.
8	Ryan Johnson*	F	5-7	So.	Eagleville, Pa.	Methacton H.S.
9	Molly McCall	M	5-2	Fr.	Falls Church, Va.	Bishop O'Connell H.S.
10	Jessica Myers**	F	5-5	Jr.	Richmond, Va.	Douglas Freeman H.S.
11	Caitlin Weaver	D/M	5-6	Fr.	Midlothian, Va.	Midlothian H.S.
12	Courtney Graybill*	D	5-3	Sr.	Macungie, Pa.	Emmaus H.S.
13	Sarah Kammerer*	D/M	5-7	So.	Moon Township, Pa.	Moon Area H.S.
14	Nina Figueroa	F/M	5-2	Jr.	Vienna, Va.	James Madison H.S.
15	Kathy Holdsworth**	F/M	5-4	Jr.	Sarasota, Fla.	Kellam H.S.
16	Beth Harkins	F/M	5-2	Fr.	Jacksonville, Fla.	Mandarin H.S.
17	Megan Kramer	M	5-7	Fr.	Satellite Beach, Fla.	Satellite Beach H.S.
18	Andrea Angelos	F	5-4	Fr.	Thornton, Pa.	West Chester East H.S.
19	Blair Eason*	D	5-8	Jr.	Virginia Beach, Va.	First Colonial H.S.
20	Ashley Stoutland	M/F	5-7	Fr.	Avondale, Pa.	Kennett H.S.
21	Emily Barnhart**	F/M	5-7	Jr.	Columbus, Ohio	Bishop Watterson H.S.
22	Jessica Russell**	M	5-6	Jr.	Arlington, Va.	Yorktown H.S.
23	Kristel Jacobson*	D	5-6	So.	Hampton, N.H.	Winnacunnet H.S.
24	Shannon Poach	F/M	5-5	Fr.	Chesapeake, Va.	Great Bridge H.S.
25	Erin Bergsten	D	5-7	Fr.	Blacksburg, Va.	Dayspring Christian Academy
27	Haley Grant	D/M	5-6	Fr.	Clifton, Va.	Centreville H.S.

Head Coach: Sam Okpodu (North Carolina State, 1987) Assistant Coach: Paula Duke (Vermont, 1987)

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates number of letters received



Ryan Johnson

#### **Alphabetical Listing**

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.
18	Andrea Angelos	F	Fr.
21	Emily Barnhart**	F/M	Jr.
25	Erin Bergsten	D	Fr.
1	Natasha Dirda	GK	So
6	Krista Dooley***	D	Sr.
19	Blair Eason*	D	Jr.
14	Nina Figueroa	F/M	Jr.
3	Meghan Foy	D	Jr.
27	Haley Grant	D/M	Fr.
12	Courtney Graybill*	D	Sr.
00	Katie Hancock**	GK	Jr.
16	Beth Harkins	F/M	Fr.
15	Kathy Holdsworth**	F/M	Jr.
23	Kristel Jacobson*	D	So.
8	Ryan Johnson*	F	So
13	Sarah Kammerer*	D/M	So.
17	Megan Kramer	M	Fr.
9	Molly McCall	M	Fr.
10	Jessica Myers**	F	Jr.
24	Shannon Poach	F/M	Fr.
4	Amy Rappaport*	M/D	Jr.
22	Jessica Russell**	M	Jr.
7	Pam Schneider	M	Fr.
20	Ashley Stoutland	M/F	Fr.
5	Kjersti Trout	M	Fr.
11	Caitlin Weaver	D/M	Fr.
2	Erin Zlomek	F/M	Fr.

#### **Pronunciation Guide**

(Nina) Figueroa ...... fig-er-O-ah (Sarah) Kammerer ...... Kammer (Sam) Okpodu ...... ock-PO-dew (Erin) Zlomek ...... ZLO-meck

#### **Breakdown by Class**

#### Seniors (2)

Krista Dooley, Courtney Graybill

#### Juniors (9)

Emily Barnhart, Blair Eason, Nina Figueroa, Meghan Foy, Katie Hancock, Kathy Holdsworth, Jessica Myers, Amy Rappaport, Jessica Russell

#### Sophomores (4)

Natasha Dirda, Kristel Jacobson, Ryan Johnson, Sarah Kammerer

#### Freshmen (12)

Andrea Angelos, Erin Bergsten, Haley Grant, Beth Harkins, Megan Kramer, Molly McCall, Shannon Poach, Pam Schneider, Ashley Stoutland, Kjersti Trout, Caitlin Weaver, Erin Zlomek

# VZ/GOAGHING STAFF

#### Sam Okpodu • Head Coach

Sam Okpodu, a sensation as a player, continues his quest for soccer prestige for Virginia Tech as he begins his tenth season as coach of the Hokie women. Okpodu has compiled a nine-year record of 70-89-10.

Okpodu has experienced success on the collegiate, professional and international levels

as both a player and a coach. With his team a member of the BIG EAST Conference, he expects the same hard work out of his players to make the Hokies competitive in perhaps the nation's toughest soccer league.

Tech finished the 2001 season, its inaugural campaign in the BIG EAST, with an 8-9-3 overall record and a 1-4-1 mark in league play. Though it was a good first step, Okpodu knows that Tech must improve to become competitive in the BIG EAST.

The 2000 season really put Okpodu's coaching skills to the test. Tech was competing as an independent school, which threw a slew of unfamiliar opponents at the Hokies. On top of the new competition, Okpodu had to deal with a team that lost a total of eight starters to graduation and redshirting. Of the 21 players that saw action in 2000, 12 of them were playing the first college games of their careers. The result — a record-tying win total for the Hokies.

Okpodu has seen it all in his coaching career. In 1994, he had the daunting task of blending a number of veteran players with a talented group of 17 newcomers to the program. Tech wound up with an 8-11 record in 1994, but not without some exciting moments. The Hokies won their first six games of the season, a school record. Tech also shut out its opponents for a record 530 consecutive minutes, almost six complete games.

Okpodu and the Hokies had a 6-10-1 record in 1993, the team's inaugural season, and he has steadily tried to make improvements. That campaign was highlighted by wins in the first four games in the history of the program and co-champion honors at the Campbell/BB&T Tournament.

Before joining the Hokies, Okpodu held the position of assistant coach of the women's soccer team at North Carolina State from 1990 to 1992. The Wolfpack fielded outstanding teams, posting an overall record of 47-17-2 over the three-year period and earning three NCAA tournament bids.

A native of Warri, Nigeria, Okpodu was a sensational player at North Carolina State (1981-84) and earned first team All-American honors three times. Okpodu, a three-time All-Atlantic Coast Conference team member, was voted the ACC's Most Valuable Player in 1982.

He is the ACC's all-time leading scorer, having recorded an amazing total of 191 points and also holds the conference record for career goals

(78). Both marks still stand in the NCAA record book as one of the top-10 leaders alltime.

Following his senior season with the Wolfpack, he played for the winning West squad in the senior bowl.

During the summer of 2002, Okpodu earned the opportunity to represent Nigeria and served as the head coach of the Nigerian women's national team, the Super Falcons, as they began to prepare for the 2003 World Cup. In the team's only match of the summer. Okpodu directed the team to a 1-0 victory over perennial powerhouse, England.

Subsequently, the Nigerian Football Association invited Okpodu to serve as the general manager for the U-19 Nigerian national team at the inaugural U-19 FIFA Women's World Championships in Canada.

Okpodu has three children – Samelia, 16, Elizabeth, 9 and Koren, 8.

#### THE OKPODU FILE

#### **Education**

North Carolina State, 1987

#### **Playing Experience**

#### Collegiate

North Carolina State (1981-84)

 191-career pts. (78 G, 35 A)
 Three-time first team All-American
 Three-time All-ACC selection
 1982 ACC Player of the Year (29 G, 14 A)
 NCAA Tournament (1981, '83, '84)
 Holds ACC career records for goals and points

#### **Professional**

- Orlando Lions (1988)
- Raleigh Flyers (1994)

#### International

- Nigerian National Team (1979-81)
- Swedintown, England (1988)

#### **Coaching Experience**

North Carolina State (1990-92)

Women's Soccer Assistant Coach 47-17-2 record (3 years) NCAA Tournament (1990-92)

#### Virginia Tech (1993-present)

Women's Soccer Head Coach 70-89-10 record (9 years)

#### Nigerian Football Association (Summer 2002)

Super Falcons — Nigerian National Team Head Coach

Nigeria def. England, 1-0 (friendly match)

#### **U-19 Nigerian National Team**

General Manager 2002 FIFA Women's World Championships





In 2002, assistant coach Paula Duke enters her second season on the sidelines at Virginia Tech. Duke will be responsible for assisting Coach Sam Okpodu in both in game play calling and practice drills.

Duke joined the women's soccer program in August 2001 after serving as the

assistant coach at Randolph Macon Women's College in Lynchburg, Va. Duke helped train the goalkeepers and assisted the head coach with strategy planning for upcoming matches. After leaving Randolph Macon in December of 2000, Duke worked with the Virginia Youth Olympic Development Program in Woodbridge,

Va. She was the assistant coach for the girls under-15 Olympic development team where her duties included evaluating players for the Region I team and assisting at regional clinics and camps.

Before joining the Tech soccer program, Duke coached for five years in San Diego, Calif., for the La Jolla Nomads soccer club as well as for the Southern California ODP.

Duke hopes to bring the same success and fire to the Hokies that she possessed as a player for the University of Vermont. Duke played for the Catamounts from 1983 until 1985. Duke graduated in 1987 with her bachelor's degree in physical education, and she currently holds a USSF national B license.

# VZ/MEET THE HOKIES



# Krista Dooley

Sr. • D • 5-2 Richmond, Va

Team co-captain ... Possesses extremely strong defensive skills ... Has a knack for winning balls in the air ... Can be counted on to supply the Hokies with constant pressure on defense ... Started every game during the last three seasons ... Will look to develop the offensive aspect of her game in 2002.

**2001:** Started all 20 games at defense ... Recorded first career assist in a match against UNCG (9/7/01) ... Added another assist versus BIG EAST rival Miami ... Tallied two points on the year ... Anchored a defense that allowed only 1.30 goals per game ... Honored as a BIG EAST Academic All-Star.

**2000:** Started all 19 games for the Hokies ... Attempted six shots from the defensive position, scoring on one of them ... Finished the year with two total points.

**1999:** Started in all 19 games as a true freshman ... Posted seven shots for the year ... Stepped up to play a major role in her first year as a Hokie.

**High School:** Attended Freeman High School ... Lettered four years ... Named honorable mention all-district ... Elected first team all-district ... First team all-region ... Named honorable mention all-state ... Received the 110 Percent Award ... Team won district and region titles ... Also ran cross/country.

**Personal:** Born 4/30/81 in Chapel Hill, N.C. ... Daughter of Mark and Linda Dooley ... Has three sisters: Kami, Lauren, and Mary Beth ... Majoring in health and physical health education.

KRISTA'S STATISTICS						
Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points	
1999	19-19	7	0	0	0	
2000	19-19	6	1	0	2	
2001	20-20	4	0	2	2	
Career	58-58	17	1	2	4	



# Courtney Graybill

Sr. • D • 5-3 Macungie, Pa.

Displays a great work ethic during match play and on the practice field ... Continues to improve in all aspects of her game ... One of only two seniors on the 2002 roster ... Will compete for playing time at defense.

**2001:** Saw action in eight games as a junior ... Netted first career goal versus Howard (10/25/01) to account for two points during the season ... Awarded Virginia Tech's prestigious Skelton Award for her accomplishments academically and athletically.

**2000:** Started eight games for the Hokies at the defensive position ... Saw action in all but three games ... Took five shots.

1999: Played in four games at the defensive position.

**High School:** Attended Emmaus High School ... Was named Most Outstanding Defensive Player in 1997 & 1999 ... Elected to the 1997 Wilson Tournament All-Star Team ... Named first team all-league in 1998 & 1999 ... Served as a captain as a senior ... Team captured 1997 state championship and 1998 district championship.

**Personal:** Born 11/22/80 in Allentown, Pa. ... Daughter of John and Georgie Graybill ... Has a brother, Jeff, who attends Drexel University ... Majoring in engineering ... Likes to play the violin, piano and ski.

COURTNEY'S STATISTICS						
Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	<b>Points</b>	
1999	4-0	0	0	0	0	
2000	16-8	5	0	0	0	
2001	8-0	1	1	0	2	
Career	28-8	6	1	0	2	



# Emily Barnhart

Jr. • F/M • 5-7 Columbus, Ohio

Will play an integral role in Tech's offensive attack this season ... Lets her presence be known on the field ... Possesses strong outside shot that can be dangerous from long range ... Displays good decision making skills on the field.

2001: Scored a goal in the Hokies' season-opener against Charlotte (8/31/01) ... Tallied a goal and an assist against against St. John's (10/21/01) ... Assisted on a goal verus Western Carolina (9/9/01) ... Capped the season with seven points in 20 games, starting 14 ... Honored as a BIG EAST Academic All-Star.

**2000:** Led the Hokies in total points scored with 15 ... Was tied for the most goals scored with five ... Led the team in assists with five ... Scored two game winning goals, one against George Washington, the other against Liberty ... Started 17 games in her first season as a Hokie.

**High School:** Attended Bishop Watterson High School ... Was named all Central Catholic League four years in a row ... Received all-league and all-district honors in 1999 and 2000 ... Most valuable offensive player in 1999 ... Also played guard for high school basketball team for three years.

**Personal:** Born 5/27/82 ... Daughter of Richard and Patti Barnhart ... Has a brother, Michael ... Majoring in business management.

EMILY'S STATISTICS						
Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points	
2000	18-17	59	5	5	15	
2001	20-14	36	3	1	7	
Career	38-31	95	8	6	22	



## Blair Eason

Jr. • D • 5-8 Virginia Beach, Va.



Expected to make significant contributions on defense this season ... Provides game experience at the fullback position ... Reads the game very well ... Involves herself in the offense from a defensive position.

2001: Missed the early part of the season as she recovered from surgery during the summer ... Managed to play in 14 games, starting six, primarily at left fullback ... Earned BIG EAST Academic All-Star distinction.

2000: Saw action in five games, starting in all of them ... Showed good decision making and poise as a freshman.

High School: Attended First Colonial High School ... Started all four years ... Captain of the team in 2000 ... Named All-Beach District honorable mention all four years ... Made All-Academic Beach District first team in 2000 ... Competed in the state swimming championship all four years, placing fifth individually and thirteenth with the team in 2000.

Personal: Born 12/9/81 ... Daughter of Mike and Elaine Eason ... Majoring in marketing ... Has one brother, Brian, 17.

BLAIR'S STATISTICS						
Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points	
2000	5-5	1	0	0	0	
2001	14-6	2	0	0	0	
Career	19-11	3	0	0	0	



# Nina Figueroa

Jr. • F/M • 5-2 Vienna, Va.

Possesses tremendous speed at the outside midfield position ... Has the potential to develop into one of the team's top midfielders ... Possesses a relentless work ethic.

2001: Joined the team during the 2001 spring season as a walkon ... Saw action in seven games during her rookie season ... Earned her first career start in the Hokies' season opener versus Charlotte (8/31/01).

High School: Attended James Madison High School ... Played four years at midfield and forward, lettering three of them ... Named team captain in 1999 and 2000 ... Elected as the team's MVP in 2000 ... Made second team all-district for the Liberty District in 2000 ... Made the athletic honor role from 1996-1999 ... Also competed and lettered one year in track and field.

Personal: Born 4/22/82 ... Daughter of Marcus and Monica Hebert ... Majoring in human nutrition, foods and exercise.

NINA	NINA'S STATISTICS						
Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points		
2001	7-1	0	0	0	0		
Career	7-1	0	0	0	0		



# Meghar

Mechanicsville, Va.

Coming off a successful spring season ... Should factor into the Hokies defensive lineup in 2002 ... Her speed and quickness will provide the Hokies with defensive support ... Has proven she can contribute at the offensive end if necessary.

2001: Saw limited playing time during her sophomore campaign ... Played in nine games, earning her only start of the season versus Seton Hall (9/3/01).

2000: Played in all 19 matches, starting in eight ... Provided the Hokies with a pleasant surprise by contributing to the offense in her first year of play ... Scored three goals on just 22 shots ... Ranked fifth on the team in points scored with six.

High School: Attended Atlee High School ... Lettered three years ... Was named player of the year in 1999 ... First team alldistrict 1998-2000 ... First team all-regional 1999-2000 ... First team all-Metro 1999 and 2000.

Personal: Born 2/8/82 ... Daughter of Bill and Lynn Foy ... Has a brother, Michael ... Played defense for club team, The Richmond Capitals, for seven years ... Majoring in marketing.

MEGH	HAN'S	STATISTIC	CS		
Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2000	19-8	22	3	0	6
2001	9-1	2	0	0	0
Career	28-9	24	3	0	6



# Katie Hancock

Jr. • GK • 5-10 Stockton, Md.

Expected to be Tech's starting goalkeeper ... Possesses excellent footwork ... Has the ability to elevate and make saves ... Will give the Hokies a steady performance at the goalkeeper position ... One of the top returning goalkeepers in the BIG EAST.

2001: Started all 20 games and played nearly 2,000 minutes (1958:29) ... Made a season-high 11 saves in a loss to Syracuse (10/28/01) ... Posted five shutouts ... Made 109 saves and only allowed 27 goals .. .Her 1.24 GAA ranked sixth among all BIG EAST goalkeepers ... Received BIG EAST Academic All-Star

2000: Started 13 games in goal for the Hokies ... Saw action in two additional games ... Logged over 1200 minutes in net ... Collected 83 saves throughout the year and only allowed 23 goals ... Scored three shutouts in 2000 and posted a low 1.72 goals against average.

High School: Attended Snow Hill High School ... Was team captain in 1999 ... Named defensive player of the year in 1999 ... Was first team All-Bayside in 1998 ... Named team's most valuable player in 1998 ... Lettered all four years in both basketball and softball ... Was named player of the year in basketball in 1997 and 1998.

**Personal:** Born 5/15/82 ... Daughter of David and Doris Hancock ... Majoring in biology ... Youngest of four children ... siblings are David, Kelley and Kristen.

KATIE	'S STA	TISTIC	CS			
Year	GP/GS	Min	Saves	GA	GAA	SHO
2000	15-13	1203	83	23	1.74	3
2001	20-20	1958	109	27	1.24	5
Career	35-33	3161	192	50	1.42	8



# Kathy Holdsworth

Jr. • F/M •5-4 Sarasota, Fla.

Team co-captain ... Tremendously talented athlete ... Has the ability to play anywhere on the field ... Strong work ethic ... Possesses great leadership skills ... Initiates the attack on offense ... Will be at the center of the Hokies' offensive attack in 2002 ... Understands the game and works hard to win every ball.

**2001:** Continued to develop into a dangerous offensive threat for Tech ... Scored three goals, including a game-winner versus Howard (10/25/01) ... Closed out the season with seven points in 14 starts ... Honored as the coaches' award recipient.

**2000:** Played in all 19 games, starting 17 ... Led the freshman class in goals scored with four ... Scored the goals on only 17 shots ... Tied with Jessica Myers for fourth on the team in total points with eight.

**High School:** Attended Kellam High School ... Named all-district in 1996-1998 ... Named all-region in 1996 and 1998 ... Named to all-state team in 1996 and 1999 ... Was named best offensive player in 1996 and received the coach's award in 1997 ... In 1999 she was named the team's most valuable player ... Netted 73 goals in her high school career.

**Personal:** Born 10/19/82 ... Daughter of Rick and Cher Holdsworth.

KATH	Y'S STA	TISTICS			
Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	<b>Points</b>
2000	19-17	17	4	0	8
2001	14-14	18	3	1	7
Career	33-31	35	7	1	15



# Jessica Myers

Jr. • F • 5-5 Richmond, Va.

Possesses the ability to do great things on the field ... Can beat defenders with her quickness ... A creative play-maker on the offensive end that can score and set up her teammates ... Expected to produce good numbers again this year.

**2001:** Saw action in 18 games and started eight games ... Scored two goals on just 11 shots ... Closed out the season with five points (two goals, one assist).

**2000:** Played in all 19 games ... Was part of the starting lineup in 15 matches ... Scored three goals on 43 shots ... Scored the game winning goal against Marshall ... Assisted on two more goals to give her a point total of eight.

**High School:** Attended Douglas S. Freeman High School ... First team all-regional and all-district in 1999 and 2000 ... Named to the second team all-state team in 2000 ... Was named the team's most valuable player in 2000 ... Named MVP of the Ukrop's tournament in Richmond, Va. ... Voted most valuable offensive player in 1999 ... Received all-district and all-regional academic team honors in 1999 and 2000.

**Personal:** Born 4/20/82 ... Daughter of Thomas and Carolyn Myers ... Majoring in human services.

JESSI	CA'S ST	<b>ATISTICS</b>			
Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2000	19-15	43	3	2	8
2001	18-8	11	2	1	5
Career	37-23	54	5	3	13



# Amy Rappaport

Jr. • M/D • 5-4 Columbia, Md.

A strong work ethic has landed her a spot in the starting lineup ... Will see time primarily as an outside midfielder ... Makes good decisions and is quick to the ball ... Expected to become more active on the offensive and defensive end of the field.

**2001:** Became a regular fixture in the Hokies' lineup as a sophomore, starting 15 games ... Saw action in 18 games ... Received BIG EAST Academic All-Star honors.

**2000:** Played in four games, starting one of them ... Could be inserted into the lineup without fear of a drop in play.

**High School:** Attended Howard High School ... Played four years on defense for Howard ... Started on the Maryland Olympic Development Team.

**Personal:** Born 3/22/82 ... Daughter of Stan and Judi Rappaport ... Majoring in communication studies.

AMY'	S STATIS	STICS			
Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2000	4-1	0	0	0	0
2001	18-15	4	0	0	0
Career	22-16	4	0	0	0

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## Jessica Russell

Jr. • M • 5-6 Arlington, Va.

A solid overall player who can be counted on daily to be ready to play ... Effective both on the offensive and defensive sides of the ball ... Possesses a strong work ethic.

**2001:** Played in 15 games, starting three ... Provided the Tech defense with support off the bench ... Received BIG EAST Academic All-Star honors.

**2000:** Started all 19 games ... Considered a key part of the defense ... Attempted 16 shots, converting on two ... Added one assist to bring her final point total to five.

**High School:** Attended Yorktown High School ... Played four years at the varsity level, lettering all four times ... Made first team all-region in 1999 ... Named to the all-district team in 1999 & 2000 ... Served as a captain of the team in 1999 and 2000 ... The team's MVP in 1999 and 2000 ... Named to the second team all-metro team in 2000 ... Competed in varsity field hockey and indoor track, lettering in both.

**Personal:** Born 7/27/82 ... Daughter of Patricia Matyskiela and Joe Russell ... Majoring in business (marketing).

JESSI	CA'S ST	ATISTICS			
Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2000	19-19	16	2	1	5
2001	15-3	1	0	0	0
Career	34-22	17	2	1	3



## Kristel Jacobson

So. • D • 5-6 Hampton, N.H.

Has good skill on the ball ... Possesses good knowledge of distribution with the ball ... Will play primarily at the stopper position after a year of experience at the collegiate level ... If needed, can step up and play at the midfield as well.

**2001:** Adjusted immediately to the collegiate level and was part of last year's starting lineup 14 times ... Played in 18 games predominantly on defense ... Voted as the team rookie of the year.

**High School:** Played varsity level soccer all four years at Winnacunnet High School ... Was captain of the team as a senior ... Named to the all-state team and the Seacoast Dream Team as a junior and senior ... An all-sate honorable mention as a sophomore ... Played basketball for four years ... Was captain of the basketball team as a senior.

**Personal:** Born 12/30/82 ... Daughter of Karl and Holly Jacobson ... Majoring in biology.

KRIST	EL'S ST	ATISTICS			
Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	<b>Points</b>
2001	18-14	1	0	0	0
Career	18-14	1	0	0	0



## Ryan Johnson

So. • F • 5-7 Eagleville, Pa.

Her aggressive style of play will allow her to continue to develop into a dangerous scoring threat ... A very strong player who is not easily intimidated ... Contests every free ball ... Expected to be an instrumental part of the Hokies' offense in 2002.

**2001:** She battled through a mid-season injury, but still managed to play in 19 games, starting five ... Finished her rookie season with three goals and one assist (seven points) ... Netted two goals versus BIG EAST opponents Miami (10/19/01) and St. John's (10/21/01) .. The conference awarded her Rookie of the Week honors for her effort ... Delivered two game-winning goals.

**High School:** Attended Methacton High School ... Played forward for coach Terry Underkoffler ... Lettered three years at the varsity level ... Served as a co-captain her junior and senior year ... Named to the all-state team her senior year ... Received the Times-Herald Athlete of the Year honor as a senior ... Made first team all-league three times ... Also lettered in track as a freshman.

**Personal:** Born 8/22/83 ... Daughter of Audrey Johnson ... Majoring in graphic design.

RYAN	'S STAT	ISTICS			
Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2001	19-5	14	3	1	7
Career	19-5	14	3	1	7



# Sarah Kammerer

So. • D/M • 5-7 Moon Township, Pa.

Has a good heart for the game ... Possesses a high work rate that shows every day... Displays great speed and tenacity at the midfield position ... Thrown into the line of fire last season as a freshman and performed up to expectations ... Will be an instrumental part of Tech's defense.

**2001:** Played in 13 games and started five during her rookie season ... Filled in at sweeper after the regular starter was injured ... Recorded first assist in a 2-2 tie versus JMU (9/20/01).

**High School:** Played for coach Bernie Stiles at Moon Area High School where she earned four varsity letters ... Led her team in scoring as a junior and senior and received all-section honors for her effort ... Served as a co-captain during her senior year ... Was a member of the Olympic Development Program from 1998-2000 ... Also lettered in track as a freshman.

**Personal:** Born 11/26/82 ... Daughter of Harry Kammerer and Linda Leety ... Majoring in biology.

SARA	H'S STA	TISTICS			
Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2001	13-5	1	0	1	1
Career	13-5	1	0	1	1



## Natasha Dirda

So. • GK • 5-5 McKees Rocks, Pa.

**High School:** Played three years of varsity soccer as a goalkeeper at Montour High School ... Voted team MVP as a senior ... Also lettered in basketball and indoor track.

**Personal:** Born 3/1/83 in Pittsburgh, Pa. ... Daughter of Mary and Tom Dirda ... Has an older sister, Nicole ... Majoring in mechanical engineering.



# Andrea Angelos

Fr. • F • 5-4 Thornton, Pa.

**High School:** Four year starter at West Chester East High School for head coach Steve Gilmour ... Served as a co-captain as a senior ... Team's top scorer all four years ... Voted team's best offensive player in 1999 ... Also co-captained the indoor track team as a senior ... Played for the F.C. Delco club team.

**Personal:** Born on 7/17/84 in Media, Pa. ... Daughter of Spiros and Beth Ann Angelos ... Has two brothers: Ernie and Michael ... Majoring in university studies.



# Erin Bergsten

Fr. • D • 5-7 Blacksburg, Va.

**High School:** Played defense for head coach Kevin Long at Dayspring Christian Academy ... Participated in Virginia's Olympic Development Program in 2001 and 2002 ... Also played basketball.

**Personal:** Born 10/14/83 ... Daughter of Kelvin and Dianna Bergsten ... Has two siblings: Eli and Lauren ... Majoring in human resources and education.



## Haley Grant

Fr. • D/M • 5-6 Clifton, Va.

**High School:** Played four years of varsity soccer at Centreville High School for head coach Warren Williams ... Helped her team capture the 2000 district championships ... Also played basketball.

**Personal:** Born 7/8/84 in Chantilly, Va. ... Daughter of Elige and Julie Grant ... Has two siblings: Buck and Jordan ... Majoring in finance.



## Beth Harkins

Fr. • F/M • 5-2 Jacksonville, Fla.

High School: Earned 12 varsity letters at Mandarin High School ... Played four years of varsity soccer ... Selected to the all-state team and voted FACA Player of the Year as a senior ... Served as a captain for two years ... Awarded Times Union Scholar-Athlete in 2001 ... A three-time all-conference selection ... Also earned four letters as a member of the swim team ... Qualified for the Florida State Finals two years and was awarded as an all-conference selection twice ... Ran the 100 and 300-meter hurdles for the track team ... Holds the 300m hurdles school record and finished 11th in the regionals.

**Personal:** Born 4/8/84 in Charleston, W.Va. ... Daughter of Russell and Denise Harkins ... Has a younger brother, Brad ... Majoring in university studies.



## Megan Kramer

Fr. • M • 5-7 Satellite Beach, Fla.

**High School:** Earned three varsity letters as a member of the Satellite Beach High School soccer team ... Member of the 2002 Florida state championship team ... Served as a team captain as a junior and senior ... Three-time first team All-Cape Coast Conference selection ... Voted MVP of the Space Coast Senior All-Star Game ... Ran the 800m and was a member of the 4x800m relay team for the track team ... Received first team All-Cape Coast Conference honors three consecutive years ... Her 4x800m relay team finished second at states in 2001.

**Personal:** Born 6/18/84 in Gainesville, Fla. ... Daughter of Don and Beth Kramer ... Has two younger siblings: Kelsey and Maris ... Majoring in engineering.



# Molly McCall

Fr. • M • 5-2 Falls Church, Va.

**High School:** Played three years of varsity soccer at Bishop O'Connell High School under head coach Alberto Starace ... Led the team in assists as a sophomore and junior ... Served as a team captain her senior year and received second team all-conference distinction.

**Personal:** Born 8/6/84 in Fairfax, Va. ... Daughter of Jim and Peg McCall ... Youngest of five children: Dan, Meaghan, Mark, and Scott ... Her brother, Scott, plays soccer at Shenandoah University ... Majoring in university studies.





# Shannon Poach

Fr. • F/M • 5-5 Chesapeake, Va.

**High School:** Received four varsity letters as a forward at Great Bridge High School playing for head coach Harvey Regan ... Three-time all-state award winner ... Received the following honors all four years: all-region, All-Tidewater and all-district ... District player of the year two years ... Currently holds the state scoring record (125 points).

**Personal:** Born 11/24/84 in Fairfax, Va. ... Daughter of David Poach and Wendy Honeycutt ... Has two younger siblings: Tyler and Amanda ... Majoring in business (marketing).



## Pam Schneider

Fr.  $\bullet$  M  $\bullet$  5-2 Fairfax, Va.

**High School:** Earned three varsity letters as a midfielder and forward while playing under coach Jim Rike at James W. Robinson High School ... As a senior, helped lead her team to the Virginia State Championship ... Also earned varsity letters in field hockey and track.

**Personal:** Born 4/9/84 in Fairfax, Va. ... Daughter of Benjamin and Patricia Schneider ... Has an older brother, Brian ... Majoring in history.



# Ashley Stoutland

Fr. • M/F • 5-7 Avondale, Pa.

**High School:** Played four years of varsity at Kennett High School for head coach Brad Dunkle ... Two-time all-conference selection ... Received honorable mention all-region ... Member of the Pennsylvania Area Girls Soccer (PAGS) top-60 team ... Played for the F.C. Delco club team.

**Personal:** Born 3/20/82 in Wilmington, Del. ... Daughter of Richard and Jane Stoutland ... Has a brother, Brett ... Her grandfather, John Maskas, played football for the Hokies (1940-42) ... Majoring in communications studies.



## Kjersti Trout

Fr. • M • 5-9 Stafford, Va.

**High School:** Played four years of varsity soccer for Colonial Forge High School under head coach Lauren Henn ... Voted female athlete of the year and team MVP as a senior ... Voted *Free Lance Star* Player of the Year ... An honorable mention to the *Washington Post* All-Met team ... Also lettered in cross country and indoor track.

**Personal:** Born 5/24/84 in Beaufort, S.C. ... Daughter of Scott and Ingrid Trout ... Has three siblings: Soren, Max and Christian ... Undecided on major.



# Caitlin • Weaver

Fr. • D/M • 5-6 Midlothian, Va.

**High School:** Received three varsity letters while playing for head coach Eric Robinson at Midlothian High School ... Captained the 2002 Virginia state semi-finalist team ... Voted to the all-district, all-region teams ... Awarded the coach's award as a senior ... Also played one year at Chantilly High School.

**Personal:** Born 4/20/84 in Houston, Texas ... Daughter of Jeff and Pam Weaver ... Has a younger brother, Michael ... Her dad, Jeff, played soccer at Grove City College ... Majoring in business.



## Erin Zlomek

Fr. • F/M • 5-5 Pottstown, Pa.

**High School:** Earned four varsity letters playing under the direction of head coach Mike Bredlinger at Pottsgrove High School ... Served as a team captain her senior season ... Led the team in scoring for three consecutive seasons ... A two-time all-conference selection ... Participated in the Olympic Development Program all four years ... Also played varsity lacrosse and track.

**Personal:** Born 8/29/83 in Syracuse, N.Y. ... Daughter of Joseph and Debra Zlomek ... Has a younger brother, Jacob ... Majoring in communication studies.

#### What Is a Hokie?

That's the most often-asked question in Virginia Tech athletics. The answer leads all the way back to 1896 when Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College changed its name to Virginia Polytechnic Institute. With the change came the necessity for writing a new cheer and a contest for such a purpose was held by the student body. 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. The official school colors — Chicago maroon and burnt orange — also were introduced in 1896. They were chosen because they made a "unique combination" not worn elsewhere at the time.

# VITHE OPPONENTS

<b>Boston</b>	College
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Location	. Chestnut Hill, Mass.
Enrollment	14,600
Nickname	Eagles
Colors	Maroon & gold
Conference	BIG EAST
Stadium Newton 0	Campus Soccer Field
Head Coach	Allison Foley
2001 Record	11-10-1
WSOC Contact	Greg Mize
Phone	617.552.1188
Fax	617.552.4903
Email	mize@bc.edu
Web Site	www.bceagles.com

#### Charlotte

Location	Charlotte, N.C.
Enrollment	8,308
Nickname	49ers
Colors	Green & white
Conference	Conference USA
Stadium 1	Fransamerica Field
Head Coach	Neil Roberts
2001 Record	9-7-4
WSOC Contact	Brent Stastny
Phone	704.682.6313
Fax	704.687.4918
Email bmstast	n@email.uncc.edu
Web Site www.c	harlottte49ers.com

#### Connecticut

Location	Storrs, Conn.
Enrollment	23,419
Nickname	Huskies
Colors National	Flag Blue & white
Conference	BIG EAST
Stadium	. Morrone Stadium
Head Coach	Len Tsantiris
2001 Record	18-6
WSOC Contact	Kristine Henck
Phone	860.486.4707
Fax	860.486.5085
Email khenck@mail	aya.ath.uconn.edu
Web Site www.	uconnhuskies.com

#### Davidson

Location	Davidson, N.C.
Enrollment	1,652
Nickname	Wildcats
Colors	Red & black
Conference	Southern
	Smith Field
	Kevin Hundley
2001 Record	7-14
WSOC Contact	Heather Palmer
Phone	704.894.2123
Fax	704.892.2636
Email	. hepalmer@davidson.edu
Web Site	www.davidson.edu

#### **East Carolina**

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Location	Greenville, N.C.
Enrollment	19,412
Nickname	Pirates
Colors	Purple & Gold
Conference	Conference USA
Stadium	Bunting Field
Head Coach	Rob Donnewirth
2001 Record	10-8-1
WSOC Contact	Julia Swee
Phone	252.328.4522
	252.328.4528
Email	TBA
Web Site	. www.ecupirates.com

#### Florida State

Location	Tallahassee, Fla.
Enrollment	35,462
Symbol	Seminoles
Colors	Garnet & gold
Conference	ACC
Stadium Semi	nole Soccer Complex
Head Coach	Patrick Baker
2001 Record	15-8-1
WSOC Contact	Elliott Finebloom
	850.644.5656
Fax	850.644.3820
Email efin	eblm@mailer.fsu.edu
Web Site	. www.seminoles.com

#### **James Madison**

Location	Harrisonburg, Va.
Enrollment	15,200
Nickname	Dukes
Colors	Purple & gold
Conference	CAA
Stadium	JMU Soccer Field
Head Coach	
2001 Record	10-9-2
WSOC Contact	. Milla Sue Wisecarver
Phone	540.568.6154
Fax	540.568.3703
Email	wisecams@jmu.edu
Web Site	www.jmusports.com

#### Liberty

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Location	Lynchburg, Va.
Enrollment	8,500
Nickname	Lady Flames
Colors	Red, white & blue
Conference	Big South
Stadium	Liberty Soccer Field
Head Coach	James Price
2001 Record	11-8-2
WSOC Contact	Joey Mullins
	434.582.2604
Fax	434.582.2076
Email	. jmmullins@liberty.edu
Web Site v	www.liberty.edu/athletics

#### Miami

Location	Coral Gables, Fla.
Enrollment	13,963
Nickname	Hurricanes
Colors	Orange, green & white
Conference	BIG EAST
Stadium	Cobb Stadium
Head Coach	Tricia Taliaferro
2001 Record	10-9-1
WSOC Contact .	Kiersten Coleman
Phone	305.284.3236
Fax	305.284.2807
Email	kcoleman@miami.edu
Web Site v	www.hurricanesports.com

#### **Notre Dame**

Location	Notre Dame, Ind.
Enrollment	10,311
Nickname	Fighting Irish
Colors	Gold & Blue
Conference	BIG EAST
Stadium	Alumni Stadium
Head Coach	Randy Waldrum
2001 Record	17-3-1
WSOC Contact	Pete LaFleur
Phone	574.631.7516
Fax	574.631.7941
Email	lafleur.4@nd.edu
Web Site	www.und.com

#### **Old Dominion**

Location	Norfolk, Va.
Enrollment	19,000
Nickname	Monarchs
Colors	Slate blue & silver
Conference	CAA
Stadium Old Domi	nion Soccer Stadium
Head Coach	Joe Pereira
2001 Record	5-10-2
WSOC Contact	Chris Sims
Phone	757.683.3372
Fax	757.683.3119
Email	ctsims@odu.edu
Web Site	www.odusports.com

#### **Pittsburgh**

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Location	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Enrollment	33,544
Nickname	Panthers
Colors	Blue & gold
Conference	BIG EAST
Stadium	. Founders Field
Head Coach	Roland Sturk
2001 Record	7-9-1
WSOC Contact	Brad Cuprik
Phone	. 412.648.8240
Fax	. 412.648.8248
Email bcuprik@a	thletics.pitt.edu
Web Site www.pittsburg	hpanthers.com

#### **Providence**

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Location	Providence, R.I.
Enrollment	3,700
Nickname	Friars
Colors	Black & white
Conference	BIG EAST
Stadium	Glay Field
Head Coach	Tracy Kerr
2001 Record	7-9-2
WSOC Contact	Jorge Rocha
Phone	401.865.2202
Fax	401.865.2583
Email	jrocha@providence.edu
Web Site	www.friars.com

#### Radford

	Radford, Va.
Enrollment	9,100
Nickname	Highlanders
Colors	Red, white & blue
Conference	Big South
Stadium	Dedmon Center
Head Coach	Ben Sohrabi
2001 Record	4-9-5
WSOC Contact .	Brian Stanley
Phone	540.831.2221
Fax	540.831.5556
Email	. bmstanley@radford.edu
Web Sitev	www.radford.edu/Athletics

#### St. John's

Location	Jamaica, N.Y.
Enrollment	18,300
Nickname	Red Storm
Colors	Red & white
Conference	BIG EAST
Stadium	Belson Stadium
Head Coach	Ian Stone
2001 Record	6-11-0
WSOC Contact	Garrhett Schneider
Phone	718.990.1523
Fax	718.969.8468
Email	gschn509@stjohns.edu
Web Sitew	ww.redstormsports.com

#### **Syracuse**

Location	Syracuse, N.Y.
Enrollment	10,000
Nickname	Orangemen
Colors	Orange
Conference	BIG EAST
Stadium Syra	acuse Soccer Stadium
Head Coach	April Kater
2001 Record	12-7
WSOC Contact	Evan Koch
Phone	
Fax	
Email	fekoch@syr.edu
Web Site	. www.suathletics.com

#### **West Virginia**

Location	Morgantown, W.Va.
Enrollment	22,300
Nickname	Mountaineers
Colors	Old gold & blue
Conference	BIG EAST
Stadium Mour	taineer Soccer Complex
Head Coach	Nikki Izzo-Brown
2001 Record	15-5-1
WSOC Contact	Laine Guiddy
Phone	304.293.2821
Fax	
Email lair	ne.guiddy@mail.wvu.edu
Web Site	www.msnsportsnet.com

#### William & Mary

Location	Wiliamsburg, Va.
Enrollment	5,560
Nickname	Tribe
Colors	Green, gold & silver
Conference	CAA
Stadium Barksdal	e Field/Busch Field
Head Coach	John Daly
2001 Record	11-9-1
WSOC Contact	Chris Poor
Phone	757.331.3370
Fax	757.221.3412
Email	cppoor@wm.edu
Web Sitewww	w.tribeathletics.com

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James Madison J	MU leads, 8-0-1
Liberty To	ech leads, 4-1-0
Miami S	eries tied, 0-0-1
Notre Dame	First meeting
Old Dominion T	ech leads 6-2-0
Pittsburgh	First meeting
Providence	PC leads 1-0-0
Radford T	ech leads 6-2-1
St. John's T	ech leads 1-0-0
Syracuse	SU leads 1-0-0
West Virginia V	
William & Mary W	/&M leads 3-1-0

# VZ/2001 REVIEW

## Hokies Finish Strong in First BIGEAST Season

The 2001 season marked the first season in the BIG EAST C onferencefor Virginia Tech. The Hokies became the 14th member of what is considered one of the nation's premiere women's soccer conferences. Eight BIG EAST teams earned NCAA Tournament bids last season, helping the league enhance its reputation as being among the best in the land.

In Tech's inaugural season in the conference, the Hokies posted an 8-9-3 record overall and a 1-4-1 record in the Northeast Division of the conference. Taking into consideration the Hokies' three overtime losses, the 2001 season can be considered a step in the right direction as Tech became accustomed to playing top-caliber competition each and every game.

With all 11 starters returning it came as no surprise that a group of four seniors – Carmen Chestnut, Wendy Kotwas, Joy Nsubuga, and Kim Wyckoff – led the Hokies' offensive charge. The quartet combined for 14 goals and seven assists, nearly 50 percent of the team's offensive output.

Three seniors etched their names in the record books with their accomplishments. Nsubuga became the first women's soccer player at Tech to earn all-conference honors as she was named to the second team All-BIG EAST. Also, Victoria Sarfo-Kantanka closed out her illustrious career with a school record 47 career points and Chestnut set records for career games played (77) and career games started (77).

With 15 underclassmen on the 2001 roster, the senior leadership proved to be a valuable asset for head coach Sam Okpodu and the Hokies. The presence of experienced players on the field helped ease the transition into the BIG EAST for a young Hokie squad.

Sophomores Emily Barnhart, Kathy Holdsworth and Jessica Myers developed into reliable scoring options for Tech, combining for 20 points. With the top four scorers departing at the end of the season, the rapid development of the sophomore class would prove to be vital for the future success of the program.

As mid-October approached, the Hokies' young talent burst onto the scene. Freshman Ryan Johnson's breakthrough performances versus Miami and St. John's led to instant success in the BIG EAST for Tech. Johnson scored the lone goal in a 1-1 tie with the Hurricanes and followed up that performance with a goal and an assist in the Hokies' first conference win, a 4-0 shutout against St. John's. Johnson's contributions in back-to-back conference games earned her BIG EAST Rookie of the Week honors.

Defensively, freshmen Kristel Jacobson and Sarah Kammerer earned spots in the starting lineup by the end of the season, playing key roles in Tech's five shutouts.

Goalkeeper, Katie Hancock, provided steady play in net all season long. Hancock finished the season with a 1.24 GAA and 109 saves in nearly 2,000 minutes. In a non-conference battle against No. 22 ranked William & Mary, Hancock came up big with eight saves to lead the Hokies to a 1-0 shutout. Later that week, she received BIG EAST Goalkeeper of the Week honors for her effort.

As the season progressed, Tech became more and more acclimated to the style of play in the BIG EAST. In its final three Northeast Division games, Tech posted a 1-1-1 record, capped by a heart-breaking 1-0 overtime loss in which Hancock made a season-high 14 saves. Tech also dominated play outside the conference and posted a 7-2-1 record versus non-BIG EAST opponents. In those ten games the Hokies outscored their opponents 20-8 with four shutouts.

Now Tech will look to carry that momentum into the 2002 season with hopes of immediate improvement.

#### 2001 Statistics

FINAL Record: 8-9-3
BIG EAST Record: 1-4-1 (Northeast Divison)
Home: 3-3-3 • Away: 4-6-0 • Neutral: 1-0-0

	OVERALL				BIG I	EAST	ONI	_Y			
PLAYER	GP-S	Sh	G	Α	Pts	GP-S	Sh	G	Α	Pts	
Kim Wyckoff*	17-16	31	4	2	10	3-3	5	0	0	0	
Wendy Kotwas*	20-20	54	4	0	9	5-5	13	1	1	3	
Joy Nsubuga*	16-15	47	3	3	9	5-5	15	0	1	1	
Carmen Chestnut*	20-20	31	3	2	8	5-5	5	1	1	3	
Emily Barnhart*	20-14	36	3	1	7	5-4	12	1	0	2	
Ryan Johnson*	19-5	14	3	1	7	4-1	5	2	1	5	
Kathy Holdsworth*	14-14	18	3	1	7	4-4	5	0	0	0	
Jessica Myers*	18-8	11	2	1	5	4-1	2	0	1	1	
Victoria Sarfo-Kantanka*	17-3	4	1	2	4	5-1	3	1	0	2	
Krista Dooley*	20-20	4	0	2	2	5-5	1	0	1	1	
Linda Bruce*	19-18	17	1	0	2	5-5	2	0	0	0	
Courtney Graybill	8-0	1	1	0	2	1-0	0	0	0	0	
Sarah Kammerer*	13-5	1	0	1	1	4-1	0	0	0	0	
Kristel Jacobson*	18-14	12	0	0	0	5-5	5	0	0	0	
Amy Rappaport*	18-15	4	0	0	0	4-2	0	0	0	0	
Jessica Russell*	15-3	1	0	0	0	4-1	0	0	0	0	
Blair Eason*	14-6	2	0	0	0	4-2	0	0	0	0	
Courtney Black*	14-2	2	0	0	0	3-3	0	0	0	0	
Meghan Foy	9-1	2	0	0	0	1-0	1	0	0	0	
Nina Figueroa	7-1	0	0	0	0	1-0	0	0	0	0	
Jacqui Kibble	6-0	2	0	0	0	2-0	0	0	0	0	
Laura Godsey	2-0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	
TECH TOTALS		294	28	16	72		74	6	6	18	
OPPONENTS		260	28	15	71		75	8	6	22	

#### **2001 Goalkeeper Statistics**

KEEPER	GP-S I	MIN	Sv	GA	GAA	sно	SV%	W-L-T
Katie Hancock*	20-20 1	958	109	27	1.24	5	.801	8-9-3
BIG EAST	5-5	480	23	8	1.50	0	.742	1-4-1
CAREER	35-33 3	161	192	50	1.42	8	.793	12-17-0
Kristen Kirsch	1-0	22	2	1	4.29	0	.667	0-0-0
CAREER	1-0	22	2	1	4.29	0	.667	0-0-0

\*Denotes 2002 Letterwinner



Since 1872, when Virginia Tech was founded, the University has had a tradition of progress. From enrollment, to campus size, to reputation, to academic achievement, Virginia Tech has continued to grow and prosper over the years. Athletics, a major part of life at Virginia Tech, is a fine example of that progress. Not only have winning records increased, but Tech continues to add to the number and quality of its facilities, as well as the number of varsity sports. In 1993, women's soccer became the 19th varsity sport offered by the athletics department. Since then, Tech has added women's softball and lacrosse to increase its number of varsity sports to 21.

The 2002 season marks the 10th anniversary of Tech women's socccer at the varsity level, and the Hokies hope to continue their climb toward the top of the BIG EAST Conference.

Before 1993, women's soccer at Tech was a club sport. Current head coach Sam Okpodu began his career at Tech simultaneously with its metamorphosis from club to varsity status. With the prospect of starting a varsity program from scratch, Okpodu could not overlook the foundation the club had laid. "The difference now is that soccer is a varsity sport and it demands a lot of time and effort," Okpodu said. "Everybody who comes to play should really want to make a difference in the game."

After playing an independent schedule the first two seasons, Coach Okpodu and the Hokies joined the Atlantic 10 Conference in 1995. Over the next five seasons, Tech posted a 20-24-2 record in

conference play. Tech goalkeeper Hope Handley set a singleseason conference record during the 1995 campaign by making 179 saves. She became the first Tech player to receive NSCAA Mid-Atlantic All-Region honors when she was named to the third team following the season. Handley's record, also a Virginia Tech mark, still stands in the record books entering the 2002 season.

The 1999 season marked the end of competition for the ladies in the Atlantic 10. Tech announced in October that it would be leaving the conference at the beginning of the 2000-01 school year to

become a full-time member of the BIG EAST.

After playing an independent schedule in 2000, the Hokies joined conference play the following season in 2001. In its inaugural season, Tech posted a 1-4-1 record in conference action, earning its first BIG EAST victory against St. John's on Oct. 21, 2001 at Moseley Field. Joy Nsubuga became the first Hokie to receive All-BIG EAST recognition as she was named to the second team with three goals and three assists.



Joy Nsubuga

#### Year-By-Year Results

1	993 (6-10-1	)
Wa	Liberty	4-3
Wn	Coll. of Charleston	3-0
Wn	Georgia Southern	4-0
Wa	Virginia Wesleyan	7-0
Lh	Detroit-Mercy	0-4
Lh	UNC Asheville	1-2
La	Radford	0-3
La	UNC Greensboro	0-6
Wh	Georgia Southern	5-1
La	Campbell	0-1
Wh	Davidson	2-1
Th	Gardner-Webb	2-2
Lh	Monmouth	0-4
La	William & Mary	0-8
La	Georgia Southern	1-2
La	Davidson	0-3
Lh	James Madison	0-7

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I.	994 (8-11-U	)
Wn	Lehigh	2-1
Wa	Lafayette	5-0
Wh	Liberty	4-0
Wn	Arkansas-Little Rock	3-0
Wn	Appalachian State	3-0
Wh	Radford	1-0
La	Monmouth	0-2
Lh	Delaware	1-3
Wh	Old Dominion	1-0
Ln	Indiana	1-2
Ln	Minnesota	1-4
Lh	William & Mary	0-5
La	Davidson	1-2
La	Virginia	0-5
Wh	American	1-0
Lh	Dayton	1-3
La	Louisville	0-3
La	James Madison	0-7
La	UNC Charlotte	0-2

#### 1995 (3-12-3)

	(Atlantic 10: 1-3-1)	
La	American	0-2
La	Maryland	0-6
Wh	VCU	1-0
La	Duquesne#	1-2
Lh	Campbell	1-2
Wa	Radford	1-0
Th	Buffalo	1-1
Lh	James Madison	1-3
Lh	Louisville	0-2
Th	Davidson	0-0
Lh	Virginia	1-6
Lh	Rutgers	0-1
La	William & Mary	0-5
La	Old Dominion	1-2
Ta	Xavier#	2-2
La	Dayton#	0-2
La	George Washington#	1-5
Wh	La Salle#	1-0

#### 1996 (9-9-1)

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	(Atlantic 10: 5-3)	
Wh	Radford	3-0
Th	American	1-1
La	VCU	0-1
La	Richmond	1-2
Wa	St. Joseph's#	2-0
Wh	Old Dominion	4-3
La	Virginia	0-1
Wh	Duquesne#	3-0
Lh	Dayton#	1-2
La	Campbell	0-2
Wa	East Carolina	4-0
Wa	Temple#	3-0
Wa	La Salle#	4-0
Lh	UNC Greensboro	0-1
Lh	George Washington#	0-1
Wh	High Point	6-1
Lh	Xavier#	0-4
La	James Madison	0-3
Wa	St. Bonaventure#	2-0

#### 1997 (9-9-1)

	(Atlantic 10: 4-6-1)	
La	UNC Greensboro	0-1
Wh	VCU	2-0
La	Radford	0-1
Wh	East Carolina	4-1
Wh	Richmond	2-1
Wa	American	1-0
Wa	Old Dominion	2-0
La	George Washington#	1-2
La	Fordham#	0-1
La	La Salle#	0-2
Lh	Massachusetts#	0-3
Wh	Rhode Island#	3-1
Wa	St. Bonaventure#	3-2
Ta	Duquesne#	0-0
Lh	James Madison	1-3
Lh	Dayton#	1-3
Lh	Xavier#	0-2
Wh	St. Joseph's#	2-1
Wh	Temple#	5-0

#### 1998 (9-9-1)

	(Atlantic 10: 5-6)	
La	N.C. State	1-4
La	Richmond	0-2
Th	Radford	1-1
Wh	UMBC	4-2
Wh	VCU	3-2
Wh	Old Dominion	5-2
La	James Madison	1-2
Lh	George Washington#	0-1
Wa	High Point	2-0
Wh	La Salle#	2-1
Wh	Fordham#	2-1
La	Rhode Island#	3-5
La	Massachusetts#	0-5
Wh	Duquesne#	2-1
Wh	St. Bonaventure#	1-0
La	Xavier#	0-1
La	Dayton#	0-2
Wa	Temple#	4-3
La	St. Joseph's#	0-1

#### 1999 (9-10)

	(Atlantic 10: 5-6)	
Wa	Liberty	6-2
Wh	Richmond	2-1
Wa	Radford	4-3
La	Old Dominion	0-2
La	West Virginia	1-6
Wn	Towson State	3-0
La	George Washington#	0-1
Wa	La Salle#	3-0
Wa	Fordham#	3-1
Lh	N.C. State	1-2
Wh	Rhode Island#	4-1
Lh	Massachusetts#	0-1
La	Duquesne#	0-1
La	St. Bonaventure#	2-3
Lh	Xavier#	1-3
Lh	Dayton#	1-2
Lh	James Madison	1-2
Wh	Temple#	6-1
Wh	St. Joseph's#	2-0

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	2000 (9-10)	)
La	Charlotte	2-3
Lh	Seton Hall	2-3
Wh	Liberty	1-0
Lh	Kent	1-2
Wa	Radford	4-0
La	James Madison	1-3
Wn	Loyola	2-0
La	West Virginia	0-1
Ln	Missouri	1-2
La	Wake Forest	1-5
Wh	Old Dominion	1-0
Wh	George Washington	2-0
La	Saint Joseph's	0-2
Wa	Temple	2-1
Wh	Howard	4-2
Wh	Wheeling Jesuit	5-0
Wh	Marshall	1-0
La	Dayton	0-3
La	Xavier	1-3

#### 2001 (8-9-3)

(BIG EAST: 1-4-1)				
Th	Charlotte	1-1		
Lh	Seton Hall*	2-3		
Wa	UNC Greensboro	3-2		
Wn	Western Carolina	3-1		
Lh	Villanova*	0-2		
Th	James Madison	2-2		
Lh	Connecticut	0-2		
Wh	William & Mary	1-0		
La	Rutgers*	0-1		
Wh	Davidson	2-0		
Wa	Old Dominion	1-0		
Wa	Radford	2-0		
La	Providence*	1-3		
La	Boston College*	0-2		
La	Liberty	1-2		
Th	Miami*	1-1		
Wh	St. John's*	4-0		
Wa	Howard	4-0		
La	Syracuse*	0-1		
La	Georgetown*	0-3		

\*denotes BIG EAST game # denotes Atlantic 10 game

> All-Time Program Record 70-89-10 (9 years)

All-Time Atlantic 10 Record 20-24-2 (1995-99, 5 years)

All-Time BIG EAST Record 1-4-1 (2001-present, 1 year)

All-Time Home Record 39-32-8 (9 years)

All-Time Away Record 23-54-2 (9 years)

**All-Time Neutral Record** 8-3-0 (9 years)

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#### **Individual Records**

Most Goals		
Game	(3)	Wendy Kotwas vs. Liberty, 1999;
<b>J</b> a5	(0)	Tracy Powers vs. Temple, 1997;
		Heidi Skinner vs. St. Bonaventure, 1997;
		Shannon Otto vs. High Point, 1996;
		Sarah Schwark vs. Va. Wesleyan, 1993
Season	(11)	Trisha Truman, 1993
	( /	Joy Nsubaga, 1999
Career	(20)	Victoria Sarfo-Kantanka, 1998-01
Most Assists	( ,	
Game	(3)	Melissa Pao vs. High Point, 1996
Season	(8)	Wendy Kotwas, 1999
Career	(10)	Shannon Otto, 1996-99; Carmen Chestnut 1998-01
Most Points		
Game	(7)	Wendy Kotwas vs. Liberty, 1999
Season	(26)	Joy Nsubuga, 1999
Career	(47)	Victoria Sarfo-Kantanka, 1998-01
Most Shots		
Game	(11)	Tracy Powers vs. Temple, 1997
Season	(70)	Wendy Kotwas, 1999
Career	(139)	Heidi Skinner, 1994-97
Most Goalie Sa	aves	
Game	(23)	Hope Handley vs. Maryland, 1995
Season	(179)	Hope Handley, 1995
Career	(341)	Hope Handley, 1994-97
Most Goalie Sh	nutouts	
Season	(7)	Penny Goode, 1994
Career	(15.5)	Hope Handley (eight shared), 1994-97
Lowest Goals	<b>-</b>	
Season	(0.89)	Karen Crawley, 1997 (minimum 600 minutes)
Career	(1.54)	Shannon Janko, 1998-00 (minimum 1000 minutes)
Most Games in		I/ (' II
Season	(20)	Katie Hancock, 2001
Career	(57)	Hope Handley, 1994-97
Most Starts in		Katia Hanasak 0004
Season	(20)	Katie Hancock, 2001
Career	(44)	Hope Handley, 1994-97
Most Minutes i		Katia Hanasak 2001
Season	(1958) (4129)	Katie Hancock, 2001
Career G		Hope Handley, 1994-97
WIOSE CALEEL G	ames Fia (77)	Carmen Chestnut, 1998-01
Most Career St	` ,	Camen Chestilut, 1990-01
most oareer of	(77)	Carmen Chestnut, 1998-01
	(11)	Carrier Chestrat, 1990-01

#### **Miscellaneous Records**

Wins in a season	6 530 12 6	 1994 1996 1994 1995 1994 1995
Most times shutout		

#### **Team Records**

Record	In a Season,	Year	In a Game
Most shots	342,	1999	41 vs. College of Charleston, 1993
Most goals	34, 1996 &	1999	7 vs. Virginia Wesleyan, 1993
Most assists	33,	1999	3, four times
Most points	101,	1999	16 vs. Virginia Wesleyan, 1993
Most corner kicks	91,	1994	13 vs. Radford, 1995
Most goalie saves	193,	1995	23 vs. Maryland, 1995
Most goals allowed	d 47,	1993	8 vs. William & Mary, 1993
Fewest goals allow	ved 22,	1996	0, 17 times
Fewest shots on g	oal 200,	1996	2 vs. Maryland
Fewest goals scor	ed 12,	1995	0, 15 times
			0 vs. Liberty, 1994
Fewest corner kick	ks 64,	1993	0 vs. Davidson, 1993

#### **AWARDS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

Third-Team Mid-Atlantic Region Hope Handley	Honorable Mention Shannon Otto
Second Team All-Atlantic 10	ACADEMIC HONORS:
Joy Nsubaga1999	BIG EAST Academic All-Stars
Shannon Otto 1999	Emily Barnhart 2001
	Linda Bruce 2001
Second Team All-BIG EAST	Carmen Chestnut 2001
Joy Nsubuga 2001	Krista Dooley 2001
	Blair Eason 2001
VaSID ALL-STATE SELECTIONS:	Katie Hancock 2001
First Team	Wendy Kotwas 2001
Cindy Zier 1995	Joy Nsubuga 2001
	Victoria Sarfo-Katanka 2001
Second Team	Amy Rappaport 2001
Carmen Chestnut 1999	Jessica Russell 2001
Wendy Kotwas 1999	
Joy Nsubuga 1999	All-Atlantic 10 Academic Team
Shannon Otto 1997	Rachel Hash 1996, 1998
Tracy Powers 1998 Victoria Sarfo-Kantanka 1998	Kelly Guenther1998

#### **ALL-TIME LETTERWINNERS**

AL	L-IIME L
Julie Baker	1996-97
Emily Barnhart	
Emily Bielefeld	1997-99
Courtney Black	1999, 2001
Linda Bruce	2000-01
Kim Campbell	1993-94
Lauren Carlino	
Scottie Cheatham .	
Carmen Chestnut	
Tatum Crawford	
Karen Crawley	1999
Dani DeSerio	1997-98
Jen Dillinger	1998
Krista Dooley	
Blair Eason	
Patty Fountaine	
Meghan Foy	2000
Brooke Fuller	. 1993, 1995-97
Laura Godsey Penny Goode	2000
Courtney Graybill	2000
Kerry Guenther	1007-00
Michele Hager	1997-99
Katie Hancock	2000-01
Hope Handley	
Rachel Hash	
Kathy Holdsworth	2000-01
Katie Irish	1995-97
Kristel Jacobson	2001
Shannon Janko	1998
Lauren Jarecki	1998
Larisa Johnson	
Ryan Johnson	2001
Sara Jusseaume	1995
Jen Kaiser	1993
Sarah Kammerer	2001
Kristine Kibble	1998-99
Wendy Kotwas	1999, 2001

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Kyrstin Krist	1996
Monica Maxwell	
Melissa McCaughan	
Kelley McGuire	1997-99
Kara Medlock	
Heather Moore	1994-95
Heather MooreShannon Mullen	1993-94
Jesica Myers	2000-01
Tanya Netzel	2000
Joy Nsubuga	1999, 2001
Michele Olsavsky	
Kenley Osbourne	1994
Shannon Otto	1996-99
Melissa Pao	1995
Emily Parker	1995
Meredith Patton	
Jen Pollich	
Tracy Powers	1996-98
Angela Rabe	2000
Amy Rappaport	2001
Allison Rendall	1995
Jessica Russell Victoria Sarfo-Kantanka	
Sarah Schwark	
Courtney Sims	1993-94
Heidi Skinner	1004 07
Nicole Snyder	
Trinity Stalker	1005
Aimee Stonack	1995
Kerry Strickland	
Michelle Todd	
Tisha Truman	
Jenny Weibel	1993
Jenny Weibel Allison West	1995-97
Denise Williams	1993-96
Katie Winn	
Kim Wyckoff	
Cindy Zier	
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#### **FIRSTS IN TECH HISTORY**

First goal scored	Brooke Fuller vs. Liberty (9/6/93)
	Brooke Fuller vs. Liberty (9/6/93)
First win	vs. Liberty, 4-3 (9/6/93)
First shutout	Jenny Weibel vs. College of Charleston (9/10/93)
First hat trick	Sarah Schwark vs. Va. Wesleyan (9/15/93)
First penalty shot goal	Shannon Mullen vs. Davidson (10/8/93)
First 0-0 overtime tie	vs. Davidson (10/1/95)

#### Charles W. Steger • University President

When Charles W. Steger became Virginia Tech's 15th president in January 2000, it did not take long for this three-time Hokie alum to turn it up a notch. Setting his sights on joining the nation's truly elite universities, President Steger has challenged the university community to become ranked among the top

30 research universities.

"If you're not moving quickly forward, you might as well be standing still," he said upon his installation more than two years

The signature initiative of his administration likely will be the Virginia Bioinformatics Institute, a new interdisciplinary research center formed by the convergence of computer science and biological research. Populated by world class researchers, the VBI already has built a contract base of more than \$20 million.

Saying that future growth will come only through strategic partnerships, Steger led the formation of the World Institute for Disaster Risk Management (DRM). DRM is a partnership with the Swiss Federal Institutes of Technology (ETH) and Virginia Tech, in conjunction with the World Bank Disaster Management Facility.

Within the past year the university has joined hands to form the Virginia Tech Wake Forest School of Biomedical Engineering. Rising out of the ground now at the Virginia Tech Corporate Research Center is the Via College of Osteopathic Medicine.

A registered architect and former dean of Tech's college of architecture and urban studies, Steger was the architect of a different sort as the leader of the university's successful fund raising campaign. Under his leadership as vice president for development and university relations, the Campaign for Virginia Tech raised \$337 million.

Steger's ties to Virginia Tech span four decades as a student, professor, dean, vice president, and now president. While on the faculty, he twice won teaching excellence awards. When he became dean of the college in 1981, he was the youngest architecture dean in the nation at 33 years of age.

Steger received his Bachelor and Master of Architecture and a Ph.D. in Environmental Science and Engineering from Virginia Tech.

#### Jim Weaver • Director of Athletics



James C. Weaver, whose innovative ideas and work as a reformer have made him one of college athletics' most popular administrators, is the director of athletics at Virginia Tech.

Weaver, 57, was appointed on September 24, 1997 and has been a tireless

leader on behalf of Tech athletics. In his five years on the job at Tech, Weaver has taken steps to place increased emphasis on projects benefiting student-athletes. He created a comprehensive awards program for letterwinners and has initiated and funded an annual awards banquet.

Among Weaver's biggest accomplishments thus far has been getting Tech admitted into an all-sports conference. Tech entered competition in the BIG EAST Conference for most sports during the 2000-2001 season.

A top personal priority for Weaver is the continuing improvement of Tech's facilities, where major plans for the expansion of Lane Stadium/ Worsham Field are underway as well as a brand new soccer stadium. When it comes to athletic facilities, Weaver has a simple philosophy. "As soon as you sit still in terms of facilities, you have taken a step backward," he says.

Weaver came to Tech from Western Michigan University where he was director of athletics from January, 1996 until he came to Blacksburg. Prior to that, he was AD for three and a half years at UNLV, where he reconstructed a troubled athletic department.

A native of Harrisburg, Pa., Weaver was a center and linebacker on Penn State football teams coached by the legendary Rip Engle and Joe Paterno.

Weaver graduated from Penn State in 1967 with a bachelor's in psychology and rehabilitation

education. He received a master's in college counselor education, also from Penn State, in 1968.

Weaver started a coaching career as an assistant at Penn State for six seasons. He later was the offensive coordinator at Iowa State and head coach for one season at Villanova in 1974. He also spent five years as an assistant professor at Clarion State and three years as director of franchise sales at Athletic

Prior to landing the athletic director's job at UNLV, Weaver spent nine years at the University of Florida, which was sanctioned by the NCAA in 1983. He was a strong force at Florida in the field of compliance and concluded his time there as associate athletic director.

Weaver and his wife Traci have four sons — Josh, Paul, Cole and Craig.

#### **Athletic Administration**



**Sharon McCloskey** Senior Associate Director of Athletics



**David Chambers** Senior Associate AD for External Relations



**Tom Gabbard** Associate AD for Internal Affairs



Jon Jaudon Associate AD for Administration



John Ballein Associate AD for **Football Operations** 



**Randy Butt** Assistant AD for Financial Affairs Marketing & Promotions



Tim East Assistant AD for



Mike Gentry Assistant AD for Athletic Performance



**Tim Parker** Assistant AD for Compliance



**Sandy Smith** Assistant AD for **Ticketina 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).

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.

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 floor and third floors of Cassell Coliseum. Laptop computers are also available for Tech athletes to use when travelling to away contests.

With the help of these resources, 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.

Chris Helms, in his fourth year at Tech, is the director and is responsible



Chris Helms Director



**Renia Edwards**Soccer Coordinator

for the development and leadership of the Student Athlete Academic Support Services office. Assistant director Renia Edwards works closely with the men's soccer team.

#### The Hokies' Athletic Performance Program

Under the direction of Assistant Athletic Director for Athletic Performance Mike Gentry, the Virginia Tech strength and conditioning program is among the best in the nation.

The soccer team trains mainly in the Jim "Bulldog" Haren Weight Room. Located in Jamerson Athletic Center, the Haren Weight Room is a 5,000-square foot weight room officially dedicated in September 1985. Coupled with the Merryman Center

facilities, the Hokies have over 22,000-square feet of strength and conditioning training space.

Emily Chones, strength and conditioning coordinator of women's Olympic sports works with the soccer team.

There's much more to athletic performance than weight training. Always striving to stay on the cutting edge, Virginia Tech has added two more services in the past couple of years. At Tech, nutrition and sports psychology are also a part of the student-athlete's preparation – not just for sports, but also for life after college.



**Emily Chones** Assistant Strength Coach (Soccer)

#### **Sports Nutrition**

Amy Freel, former coordinator of student life, became the full-time sports nutritionist in the Athletics Department in July 2002. She provides individual players with diet counseling on issues such as gaining lean muscle mass, losing body fat, and how to eat to improve performance. Freel also works with the "Training Edge" dining facility for health-conscious students and athletes to design menus for training tables.



Amy Freel
Director of
Sports Nutrition

#### **Sports Psychology**

Another recent addition to the athletics department is sports psychology. The licensed psychologists, Dr. Gary Bennett and Dr. Robert Miller, associate director of the Thomas E. Cook Counseling Center, counsel student-athletes either individually or as a team.

#### Office of Student Life



Jermaine Holmes Director

The Office of Student Life at Virginia Tech, under the guidance of Jermaine Holmes, director of student life, is dedicated to enhancing the quality of the student-athlete experience through the many programs that it implements.

One program that the office sponsors is the HiTOPS CHAMPS/Life Skills Program (Hokies Turning Opportunities Into Personal Success), which provides a well-rounded program for student-athletes to develop the individual skills

necessary to lead successful and productive lives.

Hokies With Heart is a program which promotes the involvement of student-athletes in community service activities. In the past year, Virginia Tech athletes participated in nearly 50 community service projects.

The Virginia Tech Student Athlete Advisory Committee (VT-SAAC) promotes effective communication between athletics administration and student-athletes to better serve their needs.

Each month, the Office of Student Life recognizes a Student-Athlete of the Month for participation in community service projects and dedication to the Hokies With Heart program.

#### **Sports Medicine**

The Virginia Tech Sports Medicine Department, under the leadership of Dr. Gunnar Brolinson, Dr. Delmas Bolin 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, is available to manage the health care of athletes.

As part of the evolution, Tech recently completed the 4,300square-foot Eddie Ferrell Memorial Training Room. The new facility gives the training staff a centralized area to care for the needs of all Virginia Tech student-athletes.

Student-athletes can also go to Schiffert Student Health Center to be seen by a practitioner or see an orthopedic surgeon, if necessary. If physical therapy is needed, student-athletes can rehab at the Merryman Center.

Roslynn Weise is a student assistant athletic trainer who is working with the women's soccer team this year.



**Roslynn Weise** Student Trainer

