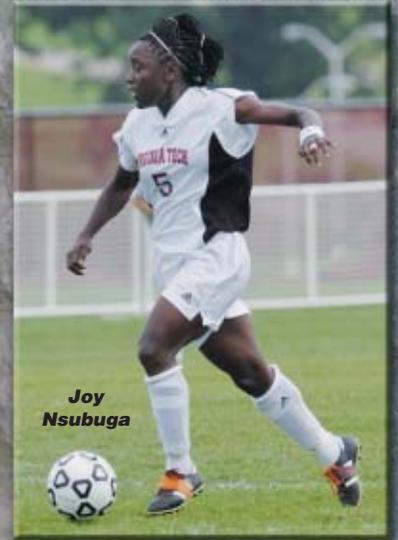


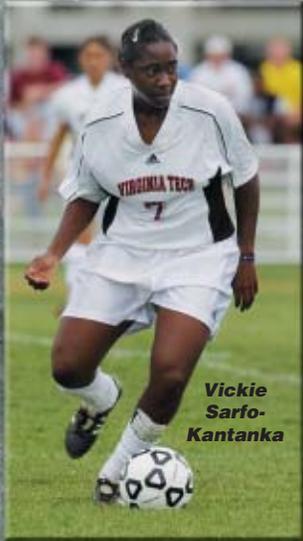
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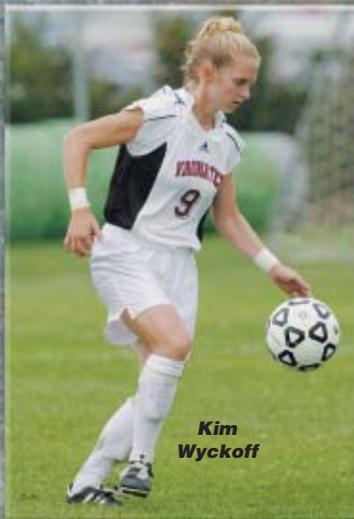


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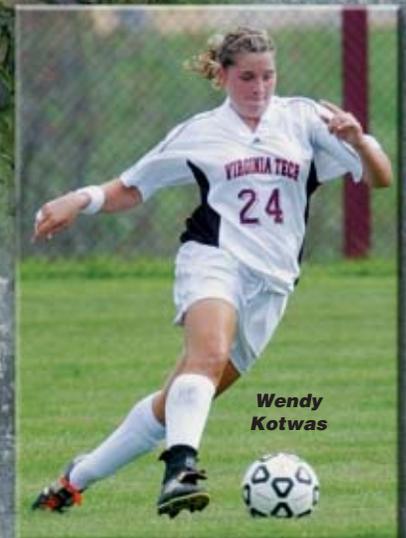
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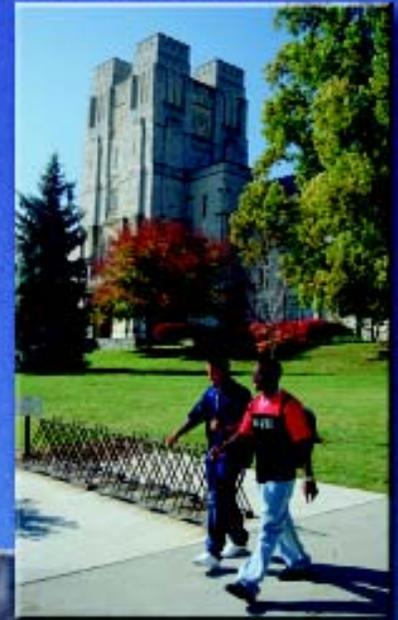
Since its founding in 1872, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, commonly known as Virginia Tech, has grown to become the state's largest university and its top research institution. It has evolved into a comprehensive university of national and international prominence.

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Virginia Tech and Blacksburg are nearly indistinguishable, but the town and university really come together to support their beloved Hokies.



2001 WOMEN'S SOCCER



Senior Carmen Chestnut looks to close out her successful career as a leader in the BIG EAST.

THE 2001 VIRGINIA TECH SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Aug. 31	CHARLOTTE	Blacksburg, Va.	2 p.m.
Sept. 3	SETON HALL	Blacksburg, Va.	1 p.m.
UNC Greensboro Tournament Sept. 7-9			
7	UNC Greensboro	Greensboro, N.C.	7:30 p.m.
9	Western Carolina	Greensboro, N.C.	1 p.m.
12	Liberty	Lynchburg, Va.	6 p.m.
16	VILLANOVA	Blacksburg, Va.	1 p.m.
20	JAMES MADISON	Blacksburg, Va.	4 p.m.
23	CONNECTICUT	Blacksburg, Va.	1 p.m.
27	WILLIAM & MARY	Blacksburg, Va.	2 p.m.
30	Rutgers	New Brunswick, N.J.	1 p.m.
Oct. 5	DAVIDSON	Blacksburg, Va.	3:30 p.m.
7	Old Dominion	Norfolk, Va.	1 p.m.
10	Radford	Radford, Va.	7 p.m.
12	Providence	Providence, R.I.	3 p.m.
14	Boston College	Chestnut Hill, Mass.	Noon
19	MIAMI	Blacksburg, Va.	3 p.m.
21	ST. JOHN'S	Blacksburg, Va.	2 p.m.
25	Howard	Washington, D.C.	6 p.m.
28	Syracuse	Syracuse, N.Y.	1 p.m.
31	Georgetown	Washington, D.C.	3 p.m.
Nov. 4	BIG EAST Quarterfinals	TBA	TBA
9	BIG EAST Semifinals	Storrs, Conn.	TBA
11	BIG EAST Finals	Storrs, Conn.	TBA

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* Indicates BIG EAST Opponents

On the Covers

The front cover features (group photo, clockwise from upper left) seniors Vickie Sarfo-Kantanka, Carmen Chestnut, Linda Bruce, Joy Nsubuga, Wendy Kotwas and Kim Wyckoff.

The back cover features Kathy Holdsworth, Jessica Russell, Emily Barnhart, Krista Dooley, Courtney Graybill, Katie Hancock and Jessica Myers.

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Hokie Quick Facts

University Information

Location: Blacksburg, Virginia

Founded: 1872

Enrollment: 25,000

Nickname: Hokies

Colors: Chicago maroon and 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, '87

Record at VT: 62-80-7 (8 years)

Career Record: 62-80-7 (8 years)

Assistant Coach: Paula Duke

2000 Record: 9-10

Starters Returning/Lost: 11/0

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 13/1

Soccer Facility: Moseley Field (500)

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The COACHES



SAM OKPODU • HEAD COACH

Sam Okpodu, a sensation as a player, continues his quest for soccer prestige for Virginia Tech as he begins his ninth season as coach of the Hokie women. Okpodu's eight-year record is 62-80-7. Okpodu has experienced success on the pitch as a player

and now he leads his team into The BIG EAST Conference, expecting the same success and hard work out of his players.

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 career. The result – a record-tying win total for the Hokies. Okpodu's 9-10 record represented the fourth year in a row that Tech has posted nine wins in a season.

Okpodu has seen it all in his short 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, their 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.

The 2001 campaign will present a new challenge for Okpodu and his team to overcome. The Hokies wave goodbye to their one year of independent play and usher in conference play as members of the BIG EAST. Okpodu enters this season knowing the luxury of having a post-season conference tournament has been given back to the Hokies, but with that comes stiff competition from the BIG EAST which boasts top quality opponents like the defending NCAA champion Notre Dame Fighting Irish and past champions like the Connecticut Huskies. The high level of play and fierce competition in the BIG EAST can only bring positive things to Hokie soccer in the future and Okpodu feels it amplifies his goal of moving the Tech soccer program to the next level in a hurry.

Before joining the Hokies, Okpodu held the position of assistant coach of the women's soccer team at North Carolina State under head coach Larry Gross from 1990 to 1992. Under their leadership, the Wolfpack fielded outstanding teams, posting an overall record of

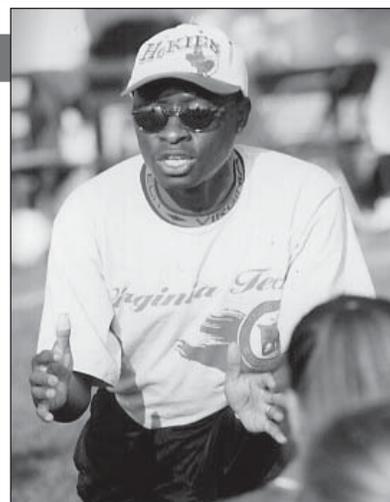
47-17-2 over the three-year period and earning three NCAA tournament bids.

A native of Warri, Nigeria, Okpodu was a sensational player at North Carolina State from 1981 through 1984 and three times was named to the All-America team. He made the All-Atlantic Coast Conference team all four years and was voted the ACC's Most Valuable Player in 1992. He is the

ACC's all-time leading scorer, having recorded an amazing total of 193 points for goals and assists in four seasons. Following his senior season with the Wolfpack, he played for the winning West squad in the senior bowl.

A 1987 graduate of N.C. State, Okpodu worked for the International Soccer Academy in Raleigh, N.C., for a year and a half. He also played professional soccer for the Orlando Lions in 1988 and the Raleigh Flyers in the summer of 1994.

Okpodu has three children – Samelia, 15, Elizabeth, 8 and Koren, 7.



Coach Okpodu's Profile

1993-	Head women's soccer coach at Virginia Tech
1988	Played professionally for the Orlando Lions
1988	Played internationally for Swedintown, England
1984	First-team All-America
1984	First-team All-Atlantic Coast Conference
1984	Set ACC record for all-time points scored with 177
1984	Set ACC record for all-time goals scored with 77
1984	Started in the College All-Star game
1983	First-team All-America
1983	First-team All-Atlantic Coast Conference
1983	Member of national championship team
1982	First-team All-America
1982	First-team All-Atlantic Coast Conference
1982	ACC Player of the Year
1981	Second-team All-Atlantic Coast Conference
1981	Member of the NCAA national championship team
1979-81	Member of the Nigerian national team



PAULA DUKE • ASSISTANT COACH

The Hokies will have a new face on the sideline this year in addition to the freshman on the roster. Joining the Hokies in 2001 will be new assistant coach Paula Duke. Duke will be responsible for assisting Coach Sam Okpodu in both in game play calling and drills in practice.

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.

Season OUTLOOK

Hokies Take On BIG EAST Competition in 2001

The Hokies expect to put an experienced women's soccer team on the field in 2001, with a high-powered offense led by fifth-year seniors Joy Nsubuga and Wendy Kotwas. The two are dangerous offensive weapons that combined to produce a total of 19 goals and 50 points in 1999. After returning from redshirt years in 2000, Nsubuga and Kotwas will be even more dangerous when combined with the offensive talents that blossomed in 2000, such as sophomore Emily Barnhart and senior Linda Bruce. Barnhart led the Hokies in total points with 15 in just her first year of collegiate level soccer, and Bruce tied her for the most goals scored with five.

The young team learned some lessons in 2000 that will undoubtedly prove to be invaluable when it makes its BIG EAST Conference debut in 2001. Despite redshirting its top two scorers from 1999, and having a team made up of over 50 percent

freshmen, Tech came within one game of a winning season last fall, finishing with a 9-10 record.

Tech has more returning talent that will provide leadership and big game experience. Back to help lead the underclassmen will be senior defensive star Carmen Chestnut and senior forward Victoria Sarfo-Kantanka. Chestnut's defense helped lead the Hokie goalkeepers to five shutouts and an impressive 1.70 goals-against average. Sarfo-Kantanka, a dangerous sniper who possesses a strong shot and amazing ability to evade defenders, looks to improve on her five goals scored in 2000. With senior Kimberly Wyckoff, the Hokies have a balanced attack that provides offensive production and seasoned leadership for the younger players.

Another aspect of the 2001 squad that has Coach Sam Okpodu breathing a little easier is strong goalkeeping. Okpodu has a young but experienced keeper at the position in sophomore Katie Hancock.

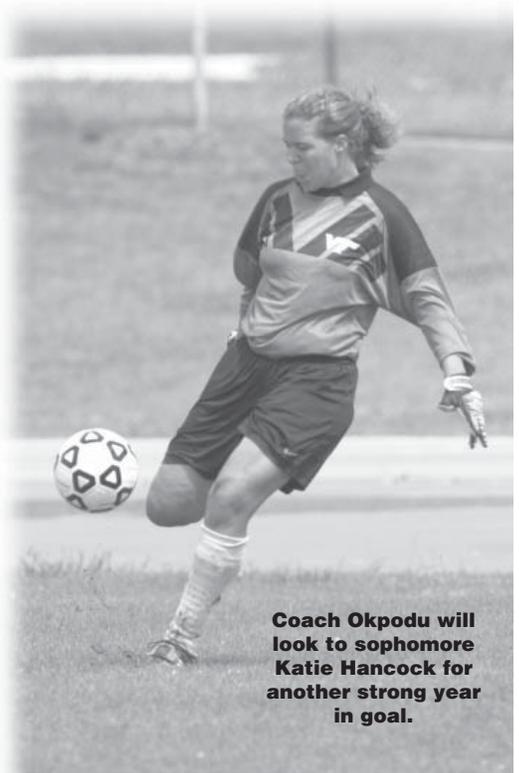
Senior Wendy Kotwas aim to make an impact after redshirting.

Hancock received the majority of the minutes in 2000 and made the most of her time. In her 13 starts, Hancock garnished a 1.72 goals-against average and three shutouts. Hancock's knowledge of the game and athletic ability could prove to be very frustrating for opposing offenses. Add transfer Kristin Kirsch to the lineup and Coach Okpodu has two credible options for keepers.

Pairing up with the outstanding goalkeeping the Hokies will have in 2001 will be a tough defense that possesses excellent closing speed on the ball. Chestnut anchors a young defensive squad that is four deep off the bench and experienced success in 2000 with contributions from freshmen Blair Eason and Jessica Russell.

Tech's depth will prove to be one of the team's most prized assets as the season develops. The program only lost one letterwinner from last year's team that posted a nine-win season and no starters from that group were lost to graduation. Add in a solid recruiting class and the Hokies have one of the deepest BIG EAST teams taking the field in 2001.

Tech could be a force to be reckoned with in the BIG EAST in their 2001 debut thanks to the return of offensive fire power and tough defense. Okpodu will have to take full advantage of his team's potential, as the BIG EAST boasts some of the nation's top teams in the Connecticut Huskies and Notre Dame Fighting Irish, as well as scrappy opponents such as Syracuse and Georgetown.



Coach Okpodu will look to sophomore Katie Hancock for another strong year in goal.



Senior Kimberly Wyckoff plans to have another impressive year in 2001.



The ROSTERS

Alphabetical Listing

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown/Previous School
21	Emily Barnhart	F	5-7	So.	Columbus, Ohio/Bishop Watterson
25	Courtney Black	D	5-5	r-So.	Greensboro, N.C./Grimsley
11	Linda Bruce	F	5-10	Sr.	Mechanicsville, Va./Atlee
18	Carmen Chestnut	MF	5-10	Sr.	Mt. Pleasant, S.C./Wando
6	Krista Dooley	D	5-2	Jr.	Richmond, Va./Freeman
19	Blair Eason	D	5-8	So.	Virginia Beach, Va./First Colonial
14	Nina Figueroa	F/MF	5-2	So.	Vienna, Va./James Madison
3	Meghan Foy	D	5-8	So.	Mechanicsville, Va./Atlee
16	Laura Godsey	D	5-4	Jr.	Hockessin, Del./Alexis L. Dupont
12	Courtney Graybill	D	5-3	Jr.	Macungie, Pa./Emmaus
00	Katie Hancock	GK	5-10	So.	Stockton, Md./Snow Hill
15	Kathy Holdsworth	F/MF	5-9	So.	Orange Park, Fla./Kellam
23	Kristel Jacobson	D	5-4	Fr.	Hampton, N.H./Winnacunnet
8	Ryan Johnson	F	5-7	Fr.	Eagleville, Pa./Methacton
13	Sarah Kammerer	F/MF	5-7	Fr.	Coraopolis, Pa./Moon Area
2	Jacqueline Kibble	F	5-7	r-Fr.	Manassas, Va./Osborn Park
1	Kristin Kirsch	GK	5-7	Jr.	Orlando, Fla./Jacksonville University
24	Wendy Kotwas	F	5-6	r-Sr.	Conesus, N.Y./Monroe Community College
10	Jessica Myers	F	5-5	So.	Richmond, Va./Douglas Freeman
5	Joy Nsubuga	F	5-3	r-Sr.	Hollysprings, N.C./Brevard College
4	Amy Rappaport	D	5-4	So.	Columbia, Md./Howard
22	Jessica Russell	D	5-6	So.	Arlington, Va./Yorktown
7	Victoria Sarfo-Kantanka	F	5-7	Sr.	Glen Allen, Va./J.R. Tucker
17	Julie Stoops	D	5-8	Fr.	Springfield, Va./Robert E. Lee
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Victoria Sarfo-Kantanka

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Linda
Bruce

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F • 5-10 • Sr.
Mechanicsville, Va.

Could be a dangerous weapon on both offense and defense ... Is an extremely strong player who possesses a powerful and accurate shot ... Has the ability to score a good distance from the goal ... Size allows her to win a high percentage of balls ...

2000: Saw action in 15 games, starting 11 ... Tied for the team lead in goals scored with five ... Added one assist to bring her point total to 11, tying her for second in overall points scored ... Brought needed size and power to the forward position ... **1999:** Played in two games ... **High School:** Attended Atlee High School ... Received four varsity letters ... Also played three years of basketball ... Received the Outstanding Freshman Award and the Bob Conner Award in 1996 ... Was named to the second team all-state in 1997, 1998 and 1999 ... Was elected first team all-conference 1995-1998 ... **Personal:** Born 11/14/79 ... Daughter of Doug and Peggy Bruce ... Majoring in early childhood education.

LINDA'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2000	15-11	25	5	1	11



Carmen
Chestnut 18

MF • 5-10 • Sr.
Mt. Pleasant, S.C.

Was the on-field leader throughout the 2000 season ... Possesses dominant closing speed at her position ... Is extremely quick to the ball ... Looked at by Coach Sam Okpodu as a complete player ... Possesses good skills in all aspects of the game ... **2000:** Started all 19 games for the Hokies in 2000 ... Helped the team by moving from a scorer's role at the mid-field position to a defensive dominator at sweeper ... Assisted on two goals during the season, bringing her three year point total to 32 ... **1999:** Started all 19 games for the Hokies ... Totaled 24 shots on goal ... Was fourth on the team in goals scored with four ... Tied for the team lead in assists with six ... **1998:** Entered as a true freshman to start all 19 games for the Hokies ... Took a total of 34 shots on goal ... Netted eight goals for 16 total points ... Three of her goals were game-winning goals ... Was first on the team in total points and goals scored ... **High School:** Was named all-region and all-state ... Was captain of her team ... Team won three state championships while she was a member ... Named most valuable player in 1998 ... Was elected *News*

and *Courier* Female Athlete of the Year ... Was in the Top 30 state players for three years ... Was *The State* newspaper's female soccer player of the year ... Also played volleyball and basketball ... **Personal:** Born 11/14/79 ... Daughter of Emory and Audrey Ware and Bill Chestnut ... Majoring in communication studies.

CARMEN'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
1998	19-19	34	8	0	16
1999	19-19	28	4	6	14
2000	19-19	22	0	2	2
Career	52-52	84	12	8	32



Wendy
Kotwas 24

F • 5-6 • r-Sr.
Conesus, N.Y.

Is a true scoring forward ... Has a powerful shot that is dangerous from long range ... Has great ball control and one-on-one player skills ... Will be expected to be one of Tech's top performers in 2001 and to match her impressive stats produced in 1999 ...

2000: Decided to redshirt the 2000 season ... Assisted Coach Okpodu with training exercises for incoming talent and coaching during her redshirt year ... **1999:** Netted 8 goals for the Hokies, the second most on the team ... Was second on the team in total points scored with 24 ... Posted a team leading eight assists ... Started in all but two of the Hokies 19 games in the '99 season ... Led the team in shots taken with 70 ... **Monroe C.C.:** Netted 25 goals ... Set the Monroe season record for goals scored ... Was named NJCCA and NSCAA first team All-America ... Was named all-Region III ... Set the Monroe career scoring record with 47 goals ... Was the NJCAA second leading scorer in the nation with 75 points ... Was captain of her team ... Was the 1998-1999 Monroe Community College Female Athlete of the Year ... Was a 1998 National Tournament Team selection ... **1997:** Recorded 22 goals ... Was named NJCAA first team All-America ... Was elected NSCAA second team All-America ... Named all-Region III ... Was named Region III Outstanding Offensive Player and Region III Woman Athlete of the Year ... Team was Region III champion and made a final four appearance at the national tournament ... **High School:** Was named the 1996 Outstanding Female Athlete ... Was a three time county all-star ... Was team captain in 1996 ... Participated in the Olympic Development Program ... Also ran track and field ... **Personal:** Daughter of Kenneth and Marie Kotwas ... Born 1/6/79 in Rochester, N.Y. ... Majoring in physical education.

WENDY'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
1999	17-17	70	8	8	24



Joy Nsubuga 5

F • 5-3 • r-Sr.
Hollysprings, N.C.

Will be looked to as the Hokies' chief offensive weapon and leader on the pitch in 2001 ... Plays the game at a high level of speed and tenaciousness ... Can be just as dominant defending the ball ... Possesses a lightning quick first step ... **2000:** Sat out the 2000 season ... Participated in training exercise to help improve her already impressive arsenal of weapons ... **1999:** Started in all but one of Tech's 19 games ... Was named to the all conference second team by the Atlantic 10 ... Was second on the team in shots taken with 66 ... Led all scorers with 11 goals, four of them game winners ... Was third on the team in total number of assists with four ... Led all players with 26 total points for the year ... **Brevard College:** Was captain her sophomore year ... Was named All-American her freshman and sophomore years ... Was named the National Player of the Year in 1998 ... Team won the nationals in 1997 ... Was named most valuable player for the tournament ... **High School:** Attended Apex High School ... Lettered four years ... Was named MVP ... Was elected region player of the year ... Was the leading goal scorer and captain of her team ... Also ran track in high school ... **Personal:** Born 4/29/78 ... Daughter of Peter and Eleanor Nsubuga ... Majoring in health and physical education.

JOY'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
1999	18-18	66	11	4	26



Victoria Sarfo-Kantanka 7

F • 5-7 • Sr. • Richmond, Va.

One of Tech's most dangerous offensive weapons ... Has great speed which is dangerous in break away opportunities ... Will be even more dangerous this year with the additions of Nsubuga and Kotwas to take some defensive pressure ... **2000:** Played in all but one of the Hokies' games, starting in 12 of them ... Missed playing time due to injuries ... Finished the year tied for first in goals scored (5) and tied for second in total points (11) ... Scored the game winning goals against Loyola and Old Dominion ... **1999:** Played in all but one game, started in eight ... Took 17 shots, netting seven goals ... Added three assists to help bring her point total to 17 for the season ... Went to camp for the Ghana national team which went to the women's World Cup in 1999 ... **1998:** Stepped up as one of the Hokies' leaders ... Played in 19 games, starting 11 ... Took 37 shots on goal, scoring seven ... Recorded one assist for 15 total points ... Tallied a game-winning goal ... **High School:** Attended J.R. Tucker High School ... Four-year starter and team's leading scorer every year ... All-district four years ... All-region two years ... Team captain senior year ... 1998 Colonial District Player of

the Year ... Named to the 1998 all-state team ... **Personal:** Born 10/21/80 ... Daughter of Felix, Sr., and Nana Sarfo-Kantanka ... Majoring in communication studies .

VICKIE'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
1998	19-11	37	7	1	15
1999	18-8	34	7	3	17
2000	18-12	43	5	1	11
Career	55-31	114	19	5	43



Kimberly Wyckoff 9

MF/F • 5-2 • Sr.
Springfield, Va.

Considered a key component of the women's soccer program ... Is exceptionally quick with the ball ... Packs uncanny power for her size ... Will be expected to be a major part of the Hokie offense in her senior year ... **2000:** Started in all but one of the Hokies' 19 games ... Scored two goals, one the game winner against Wheeling Jesuit ... Added one assist in 2000 to bring her point total to five ... **1999:** Started in 14 games ... Played in 18 total games ... Took 18 shots, netting three of them ... Had one assist, pushing her total points scored in the season to seven ... Two of her goals were game winners ... **1998:** Played in 18 games for Tech, starting 17 ... Took a total of 11 shots on goal ... **High School:** Was co-captain of her varsity team ... Also ran track and cross country ... **Personal:** Born 11/23/80 ... Daughter of Dirk and Sandy Wyckoff ... Majoring in accounting.

KIMBERLY'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
1998	18-17	11	0	0	0
1999	18-14	18	3	1	7
2000	19-18	24	2	1	5
Career	55-31	53	5	2	12



Courtney Black 25

D • 5-5 • r-So.
Greensboro, N.C.

Is a very aggressive player who's not scared to get physical ... Possesses good speed on defense ... Presents Coach Okpodu with the luxury of knowing that there will be no drop-off in production whether Black starts or comes off the bench ... **2000:** Redshirted after having off-season knee surgery ... Used the time off to strengthen her on-the-field tactics ... **1999:** Stepped forward as one of Tech's top freshmen ... Played in 14 games as a true freshman ... Started in four games ... Led all freshmen in total points (6), goals (2) and assists (2) ... **High School:** Played outside back at Grimsley High School ... Was named to the all-conference team ... Was captain of her high school team ...



Team was state champion ... Was on the N.C. State select Olympic Development Team 1993-1998 ... Was captain of her club team ... Enjoys tae kwon do and running ... **Personal:** Born 10/2/80 in Durham, N.C. ... Daughter of Keith and Aprille Black ... Majoring in psychology.

COURTNEY'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
1999	14-4	4	9	2	6



Krista
Dooley

6

D • 5-2 • Jr.
Richmond, Va.

Possesses extremely strong skills on defense ... Has the knack for winning balls in the air ... Can be counted on to supply the Hokies with constant pressure on defense ... Has started every game for the Hokies her last two years ... **2000:** Started all 19 games ... 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 ... Was named honorable mention all-district ... Was 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 ... Majoring in physical education.

KRISTA'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
1999	19-19	7	0	0	0
2000	19-19	6	1	0	0
Career	38-38	13	1	0	0



Courtney
Graybill

12

D • 5-3 • Jr.
Macungie, Pa.

Displays a great work ethic during match play and on the practice field ... Has made major improvements in all aspects of her game since her freshman year ... Playing time will continue to increase thanks to her hard work ... **2000:** Started eight games for the Hokies at the defensive position ... Saw action in all but three games ... Took five shots on goal ... **1999:** Played in four games for the Hokies at the defensive position ... **High School:** Attended Emmaus High School ... Was named Most Outstanding Defensive Player in 1997 ... Played JV for one year

... Elected to the 1997 Wilson Tournament All-Star Team ... Attended the All-Star Team Field of Champions Women's Soccer Showcase in 1998 ... Named first team all-league in 1998 ... Was captain last season ... Team was state champion in 1997 and district champion in 1998 ... **Personal:** Born 11/22/80 in Allentown, Pa. ... Daughter of John and Georgie Graybill ... Majoring in chemical engineering.

COURTNEY'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
1999	4-0	0	0	0	0
2000	16-8	5	0	0	0



Laura
Godsey

16

D • 5-4 • Jr.
Hockessin, Del.

Provides depth at the defensive position...Is a utility player who can substitute at a variety of positions ... **2000:** Played in 11 games, starting three of them... **1999:** Played in two games her freshman year ... **High School:** Attended Alexis L. duPont High School ... Received four varsity letters ... Received the Outstanding Freshman Award and the Bob Conner Award in 1996 ... Was named to the second team all-state in 1997, 1998 and 1999 ... Was elected first team all-conference in 1997, 1998 and 1999 ... Was captain of her team in 1999 ... Team was Delaware state champion in 1996, 1997, 1998 ... Received the Best Offensive Player Award in 1997 ... **Personal:** Born 12/18/80 ... Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Godsey ... Majoring in marketing.

LAURA'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
1999	2-0	0	0	0	0
2000	11-3	0	0	0	0
Career	13-3	0	0	0	0



Emily
Barnhart

21

F • 5-7 • So.
Columbus, Ohio

Was a major part of the Hokies' offense in her first year on the team ... Lets her presence be known on the field ... Has an extremely strong shot ... Showed good decision making as a freshman ... Contributed to the team's success by producing on the offensive end of the field ... **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

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Barnhart, *continued*

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 ... **Personal:** Born 5/27/82 ... Daughter of Richard and Patti Barnhart ... Majoring in business.

EMILY'S STATISTICS					
Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2000	18-17	59	5	5	15



Blair Eason **19**

D • 5-8 • So.
 Virginia Beach, Va.

Is expected to be one of the Hokies' defenders of the future ... Overcame early season injuries to move into a starting position ... Has a good nose for the ball ... Involves herself in the offense from a defensive position ... **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 as a senior ... Named All-Beach District honorable mention all four years ... Made All-Academic Beach District in 1999 ... Participated in the Olympic Development Program in 1999 ... Lettered four years as a swimmer ... Was fifth in states in the 200 freestyle relay and fifth in th district in the 50 freestyle ... Won the coaches award and was captain of the team ... **Personal:** Born 12/9/81 ... Daughter of Mike and Elaine Eason ... Majoring in marketing.

BLAIR'S STATISTICS					
Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2000	5-5	1	0	0	0



Nina Figueroa **14**

F • 5-2 • So.
 Vienna, Va.

Is a very quick player overall ... Possesses a relentless good work ethic ... Will see major playing time at the halfback position ... **High School:** Attended James Madison High School ... Played four years at midfield and forward, lettering three of them ... Was named the team captain in 1999 and 2000 ... Was 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 university studies.



Meghan Foy **3**

D • 5-8 • So.
 Mechanicsville, Va.

Provided the Hokies with a pleasant surprise by contributing to the offense in her first year of play ... Showed good decision-making as a freshman ... May become one of Tech's most counted-on players in the upcoming year ... **2000:** Saw action in all 19 matches, starting in eight ... Scored three goals on just 22 shots ... Was 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 all-district 1998-2000 ... First team all-regional 1999-2000 ... First team all-Metro 1999 and 2000 ... Played defense for club team, the Richmond Capitals, for seven years ... **Personal:** Born 2/8/82 ... Daughter of Bill and Lynn Foy ... Majoring in marketing.

MEGHAN'S STATISTICS					
Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2000	19-8	22	3	0	6



Katie Hancock **00**

GK • 5-10 • So.
 Stockton, Md.

Will see major minutes in goal after an excellent freshman year ... Is Tech's goalkeeper of the present and future ... Possesses excellent footwork that allows her to get saves others would not ... Will give the Hokies a steady performance at the goalkeeper position ... **2000:** Started 13 games in goal for the Hokies ... Saw action in two additional games ... Logged over 1,200 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 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.

KATIE'S STATISTICS					
Year	GP/GS	Min	Saves	Goals	Avg SO(shared)
2000	15-13	1203	83	23	1.74 3





Kathy Holdsworth 15

F • 5-8 • So.
Orange Park, Fla.

An offensive power that looks to improve her already gaudy first year stats ... Is a natural talent at the forward position ... Has a nose for offense and plays hard to win every ball ... **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-regional 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 throughout her high school career. **Personal:** Born 10/19/82 ... Daughter of Richard and Cheril Holdsworth ... Majoring in elementary education.

KATHY'S STATISTICS					
Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2000	19-17	17	4	0	8



Jacqueline Kibble 2

F • 5-7 • r-Fr.
Manassas, Va

Redshirted last season after suffering a knee injury ... Is expected to make a full recovery ... Has extremely strong work ethic which was displayed in arduous rehab sessions ... Has good first step in taking a defender ... **2000:** Redshirted ... **High School:** Attended Osbourn Park ... Played four years at varsity level ... Lettered all four years she played ... Received all-area honorable mention in 1999 and 2000 ... Was named to the all-district second team in 1999 and 2000 ... Was part of the all-Manassas first team in 1999 ... **Personal:** Born 2/7/82 ... Daughter of Jim and Deborah Kibble ... Majoring in university studies.



Kristen Kirsch 1

GK • 5-5 • Jr.
Orlando, Fla.

Is the Hokies' number two goalkeeper ... Transferred from Jacksonville University ... Will see some playing time in her first year with Tech ... Is a very aggressive keeper who plays with a high level of energy ... Comes out well for saves ... **High**

School: Played two years at both the goalkeeper and forward positions at Ashwalbenon High School ... Team captain her senior year ... Was named to the all-state team as a forward in 1999 ... Was named the most valuable offensive player in 1999 ... Also made the Masonic All-Star team that year ... Was team MVP in 1998 and was named to the all-county team ... Ran cross country for two years, making the all-county team in 1998 ... **Personal:** Born 4/30/81 ... Daughter of Gorden and Cathy Kirsch ... Majoring in history.



Jessica Myers 10

F • 5-5 • So.
Richmond, Va.

Is a tremendous all-around player ... Was a key offensive weapon in her freshman year ... Jumped right into the starting lineup and produced ... Can beat defenders with her quickness ... Is a dangerous scorer and passer ... Is expected to produce good numbers again this year ... **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 ... Was first team all-regional and all-district in 1999 and 2000 ... Was named to the second team all-state team in 2000 ... Was named team most valuable player in 2000 ... Named most valuable player of the Ukrop's tournament in Richmond, Va. ... Was most valuable offensive player in 1999 ... Received the honor of being named to the all-district and all-regional academic team in 1999 and 2000 ... **Personal:** Born 4/20/82 ... Daughter of Thomas and Carolyn Myers ... Majoring in university studies.

JESSICA'S STATISTICS					
Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2000	19-15	43	3	2	8



Amy Rappaport 4

D • 5-4 • So.
Columbia, Md.

Provides depth at the defensive position ... Is quick to the ball ... Makes good decisions ... Looks to have her playing time increased after a year of hard conditioning and collegiate-level soccer under her belt ... **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 ... Undecided on a major.

AMY'S STATISTICS					
Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2000	4-1	0	0	0	0



Jessica Russell 22

D • 5-6 • So.
Arlington, Va.

Played a major role on defense in her first year at the collegiate level ... Is a solid overall player that can be counted on daily to be ready to play ... Was effective both on the offensive and defensive sides of the ball ... Possesses a strong work ethic ... **2000:** Started all 19 games ... Was considered a key part of the defense ... Attempted 16 shots, converting on one ... Added one assist to bring her final point total to three ... **High School:** Attended Yorktown High School ... Played four years at the varsity level, lettering all four times ... Made first team all-region and all-district in 1999 ... Was named to the all-district team again in 2000 ... Was captain of the team in 1999 and 2000 ... The team's most valuable player 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 ... Majoring in communication studies.

JESSICA'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2000	19-19	16	1	1	3



Kristel Jacobson 23

F • 5-4 • Fr.
Hampton, N.H.

Has good skill on the ball ... Possesses good knowledge of distribution with the ball ... Will play a predominant role her freshman year ... Will be more successful as she learns more about the position ... **High School:** Played varsity level soccer all four years at Winnacunnet High School ... Was captain of the team as a senior ... Was named to the all-state team her junior year ... Was also named to the Seacoast Dream Team that year ... Was all-state honorable mention as a sophomore ... Played basketball for three years ... Was captain of the basketball team as a senior ... **Personal:** Born 12/30/82 ... Daughter of Karl and Holly Jacobson ... Majoring in biology.

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Ryan Johnson 8

F • 5-7 • Fr.
Eagleville, Pa.

Will seriously contend for playing time as a true freshman ... Is a very strong player who is not easily intimidated ... Contends seriously for every ball ... **High School:** Attended Methacton High School ... Played forward for Coach Terry Underkoffler ... Lettered three years at the varsity level ... Was co-captain of the team her junior and senior years ... Was named to the all-state team her senior year ... Was the *Times Herald* Athlete of the Year as a senior ... Made first team all-league all three years she played ... Also lettered in track as a freshman ... **Personal:** Born 8/22/83 ... Daughter of Audrey Johnson ... Majoring in graphic design.



Sarah Kammerer 13

MF • 5-7 • Fr.
Coraopolis, Pa.

Has a good heart for the game ... Possesses a high work rate that shows in practice ... Will be brought along slowly to help her learn the position ... **High School:** Played for Coach Bernie Stiles at Moon Area High School ... Played varsity level all four years ... Saw action at both midfield and defender ... Was a member of the Olympic Development Program from 1998-2000 ... Ran varsity track as a senior ... **Personal:** Born 11/26/82 ... Daughter of Harry Kammerer and Linda Leety ... Majoring in biology.



Julie Stoops 17

D • 5-8 • Fr.
Springfield, Va.

Has good size for the defender position ... Walked on and eventually made the team ... Works hard in practice ... Will contribute in the future ... **High School:** Played on the varsity team all four years at Robert E. Lee ... Lettered each year ... Was named to the all-district team ... Also lettered in track in 1996 ... Has played club soccer since 1991 ... **Personal:** Born 11/5/81 ... Daughter of Chris and Pam Stoops ... Majoring in biology.



Season IN REVIEW

Hokies Experience Peaks and Valleys in 2000

A freshman must make numerous adjustments transitioning to college. The same can be said for the young women's soccer team that took the field in the 2000 season. Like most freshmen, they experienced peaks and valleys throughout the year, but that can be expected from a team that was made up of over 50 percent freshmen. Of the 21 players that saw action in 2000, 11 of them were playing collegiate level soccer for the first time. Still, when the final horn sounded, the special blend of returning talent and

fresh faces produced a 9-10 overall record in a tough year that saw the Hokies play as an independent.

After getting off to a rocky start by dropping two tough games to Charlotte and Seton Hall, the Hokies broke into the win column with a 1-0 victory over the Liberty Flames. Tech stumbled against Kent and dropped a heartbreaking 1-2 overtime loss, but bounced back to play its most dominating game of the season when it defeated Radford, 4-0. Linda Bruce scored two goals in the victory and Carmen Chestnut clamped down the Highlanders' offense.

The Hokies entered the JMU/Sheraton Soccer Tournament with a 2-3 record and played well. Tech would fall to the host team, James Madison, but bounced back to defeat Loyola, 2-0, thanks to Victoria Sarfo-Kantanka's two goals and Shannon Janko's shutout performance in goal.

With a 3-4 record, the Hokies returned to Blacksburg to defend their home turf against future BIG EAST rival West Virginia. The Mountaineers represented the second of two BIG EAST teams Tech would face in 2000. Although the Hokies played tough, the West Virginia defense proved to be too strong and the Hokies fell to 3-5 on the year after the 0-2 loss.

Next up was the Wake Forest/Nike Invitational Tournament in Winston-Salem, N.C. The Hokies would lose two games in the tournament, but they proved that they could play with some of the top teams in the nation. Tech dropped a 1-2 decision against the #12 ranked Missouri Tigers but held the lead well into the second half before Missouri put numbers on the board. The Hokies were also tied with Wake Forest at halftime, but fell victim to late goal scoring.

The young Tech squad could have easily become discouraged with its 3-7 record, but in true Hokie fashion it would battle back to take six out of the final nine games.

With defense becoming one of the team's major strengths, the Hokies shutout two straight opponents. First, Tech downed Old Dominion, 1-0, thanks to Sarfo-Kantanka's game-winning goal in the second half. The Hokies then held the Colonials from George Washington scoreless, rolling to a 2-0 win and a 5-7 overall record.

After stumbling on the road against St. Joe's, the Hokies produced four straight victories over Temple, Howard, Wheeling Jesuit and a very physical Marshall team. The young goal scorers for Tech provided the offensive pop during the winning streak. Freshmen Jessica Myers, Emily Barnhart and Jessica Russell combined for seven of the 12 Tech goals scored during the four-game stint.

The first winning season for Virginia Tech women's soccer was at the team's doorstep, but two tough road opponents stole the Hokies chance of reaching that goal. Tech finished with an overall record of 9-10 after losses to Dayton and Xavier.

Tech showed great resilience and strong determination to battle through a tough 2000 season. The highs and lows of the season helped prepare the young team for the standard of play in the BIG EAST Conference. The lessons learned will prove invaluable in 2001 as the Hokies make their conference debut.

2000 Team Statistics

CATEGORY	VT	AVG	OPP	AVG
Shots	315	16.6	266	14
Goals	31	1.6	30	1.6
Assists	15	0.79	16	0.84
Saves	131	6.9	151	7.9
Corner Kicks	70	3.7	100	5.3
Fouls	229	12.1	201	10.6
Restart Scoring	4	0.26	4	0.21

2000 Offensive Statistics

PLAYER	GP	GS	SHOTS	GOALS	AST.	TP	GWG	Y	R
Emily Barnhart	18	17	59	5	5	15	2	0	0
Linda Bruce	15	11	25	5	1	11	1	0	0
Vickie Sarfo-Kantanka	18	12	43	5	1	11	2	1	0
Kathy Holdsworth	19	17	17	4	0	8	0	1	0
Meghan Foy	19	8	22	3	0	6	0	0	0
Jessica Myers	19	15	43	3	2	8	1	1	0
Kim Wyckoff	19	18	24	2	1	5	1	1	0
Krista Dooley	19	19	6	1	0	5	0	0	0
Tanya Netzel	13	3	12	1	1	3	0	1	0
Jessica Russell	19	19	16	1	1	3	0	1	0
Carmen Chestnut	19	19	22	0	2	2	0	0	0
Courtney Graybill	16	8	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
Angie Rabe	16	14	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
Larisa Johnson	15	1	6	0	0	0	0	2	0
Katie Wilson	14	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Laura Godsey	11	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kasey Warner	7	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	0
Meredith Cassell	5	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blair Eason	5	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amy Rappaport	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kim Hopwood	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Courtney Black*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jacqui Kibble*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kristine Kibble*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wendy Kotwas*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Joy Nsubuga*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TECH	19	19	315	31	15	77	9	7	0
OPPONENTS	19	19	266	30	16	76	10	5	0

*redshirted

2000 Goalkeeping Statistics

KEEPER	GP	GS	MIN	SAVES	GA	GAA	SHO	SV %	REC
Katie Hancock	15	13	1203	83	23	1.72	3	78.3	4-8-0
Shannon Janko	6	4	346	24	4	1.04	2	85.7	2-1-0
Karen Crawley	4	2	161	16	3	1.68	0	84.2	3-1-0
TECH	19	19	1620	131	30	1.70	5	81.4	9-10-0
OPPONENTS	19	19	1620	151	31	1.72	3	83.0	10-9-0

2000 RESULTS

W/L	Opponent	Score
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
Wa	Loyola	2-0
La	West Virginia	0-1
La	Missouri	1-2
La	Wake Forest	1-5
Wh	Old Dominion	1-0
Wh	G. Washington	2-0
La	Saint Josephs	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



Women's Soccer HISTORY

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.

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.

"There was a strong love for the game here," Okpodu said. "Those girls on the club squad formed the group on their own and produced.

"Despite the success, many changes were made and the demand on the players increased," Okpodu said. "The difference now is that soccer is a varsity sport and it demands a lot of time and effort. Everybody who comes to play should really want to make a difference in the game."

YEAR-BY-YEAR RESULTS

1993 (6-10-1)

Wa Liberty	4-3
Wa Coll. of Charleston	3-0
Wa 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

1994 (8-11-0)

Wa Lehigh	2-1
Wa Lafayette	5-0
Wh Liberty	4-0
Wa Arkansas-Little Rock	3-0
Wa Appalachian State	3-0
Wh Radford	1-0
La Monmouth	0-2
Lh Delaware	1-3
Wh Old Dominion	1-0
La Indiana	1-2
La 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)

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)

Wh Radford	3-0
Lh 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)

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

1998 (9-9-1)

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)

Wa Liberty	6-2
Wh Richmond	2-1
Wa Radford	4-3
La Old Dominion	3-2
La West Virginia	1-6
Wa 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

Tech's first varsity women's soccer team was made up of 23 members who finished their inaugural season in with a 6-10-1 record.

In 1994, the Hokies' second-year record was 8-11. With 18 new players, the Hokies began the season with six straight wins, a school record for women's soccer. They also shut out opponents for 530 consecutive minutes, a span of almost six games.

In 1995, Tech fielded its youngest team ever with 24 players who were either sophomores or freshmen. Tech upgraded its schedule to face tougher competition and finished 3-12-3 in its first year of play in the Atlantic 10 Conference.

The Hokies improved in 1996 with a 9-9-1 record, 5-3 in A-10 games. This was Tech's best record ever in conference play.

In 1997, Tech matched the previous year's overall record of 9-9-1 but fell in the A-10 with a final conference record of 4-6-1. Shannon Otto broke two school records, scoring 14 goals and 33 points.

The 1998 season was a good one for the Tech women's soccer team. The squad once again earned a record of 9-9-1 with an Atlantic 10 record of 5-6. Two freshmen stepped up as leaders. Carmen Chestnut led the team in goals (8), total points (16) and game-winning goals (3). Victoria Sarfo-Kantanka was second on the team in total points (15), goals (7) and shots taken (37).

The 1999 season marked the end of competition for the women in the A-10. Tech announced 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.

Instead of two freshmen stepping up to help lead the team, in 1999 it was a pair of juniors. Wendy Kotwas and Joy Nsubuga provided Tech with 50 of its 101 points in the 1999 season. Transfer Nsubuga handled the bulk of the goal scoring with 11, while Kotwas put up 24 points for the season with eight goals and eight assists. Tech finished with a 9-10 overall record in 1999.

In 2000, Tech matched its all-time win total with nine, but they had to do it playing a tough independent schedule. With Nsubuga and Kotwas redshirting, Emily Barnhart and Linda Bruce had to handle the bulk of the scoring. The two combined for 26 points, over a third of the team's total of 77.

ALL-TIME LETTERWINNERS

Julie Baker	1996-97	Monica Maxwell	1994-97
Emily Barnhart	2000	Melissa McCaughan	1995
Emily Bielefeld	1997-99	Kelley McGuire	1997-99
Courtney Black	1999	Kara Medlock	1994
Linda Bruce	2000	Heather Moore	1994-95
Kim Campbell	1993-94	Shannon Mullen	1993-94
Lauren Carlino	1993	Jessica Myers	2000
Scottie Cheatham	1993	Tanya Netzel	2000
Carmen Chestnut	1998-00	Joy Nsubuga	1999
Tatum Crawford	1996-99	Michele Olsavsky	1994
Karen Crawley	1999	Kenley Osbourne	1994
Dani DeSerio	1997-98	Shannon Otto	1996-99
Jen Dillinger	1998	Melissa Pao	1995
Krista Dooley	1999-00	Emily Parker	1995
Patty Fountaine	1993	Meredith Patton	1995
Meghan Foy	2000	Jen Pollich	1996-98
Brooke Fuller	1993, 1995-97	Tracy Powers	1996-98
Laura Godsey	2000	Angela Rabe	2000
Penny Goode	1994	Allison Rendall	1995
Courtney Graybill	2000	Jessica Russell	2000
Kerry Guenther	1997-99	Victoria Sarfo-Kantanka	1998-00
Michele Hager	1993-95	Sarah Schwark	1993-94
Katie Hancock	2000	Courtney Sims	1994
Hope Handley	1993-96	Heidi Skinner	1994-97
Rachel Hash	1994-96, 98	Nicole Snyder	1993
Kathy Holdsworth	2000	Trinity Stalker	1995
Katie Irish	1995	Aimee Stonack	1996-99
Shannon Janko	1998	Kerry Strickland	1993
Lauren Jarecki	1998	Michelle Todd	1994
Larisa Johnson	2000	Tisha Truman	1993
Sara Jusseaume	1995	Jenny Weibel	1993
Jen Kaiser	1993	Allison West	1995-97
Kristine Kibble	1998-99	Denise Williams	1993-96
Wendy Kotwas	1998-99	Katie Winn	1998
Kyrstin Krist	1996	Kim Wyckoff	1998-00
		Cindy Zier	1993-95



Tech RECORDS

Individual

Most Goals

Game	(3)	Wendy Kotwas vs. Liberty, 1999; 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
Career	(18)	Shannon Otto, 1996

Most Assists

Game	(3)	Melissa Pao vs. High Point, 1996
Season	(8)	Wendy Kotwas, 1999
Career	(10)	Shannon Otto, 1996-1999

Most Points

Game	(7)	Wendy Kotwas vs. Liberty, 1999
Season	(26)	Joy Nsubuga, 1999
Career	(46)	Shannon Otto; 1996-1999

Most Shots

Game	(11)	Tracy Powers vs. Temple, 1997
Season	(70)	Wendy Kotwas, 1999
Career	(139)	Heidi Skinner, 1994-1997

Most Goalie Saves

Game	(23)	Hope Handley vs. Maryland, 1995
Season	(179)	Hope Handley, 1995
Career	(341)	Hope Handley, 1994-1997

Most Goalie Shutouts

Season	(7)	Penny Goode, 1994
Career	(15.5)	Hope Handley (eight shared), 1994-1997

Lowest Goalie Average

Season	(.886)	Karen Crawley, 1997 (10 games)
Career	(1.72)	Hope Handley, 1994-1997

Most Games in Goal

Season	(19)	Hope Handley, 1996
Career	(62)	Hope Handley, 1994-1997

Most Starts in Goal

Season	(18)	Penny Goode, 1994 Hope Handley, 1995
Career	(44)	Hope Handley, 1994-1997

Most Minutes in Goal

Season	(1642)	Hope Handley, 1995
Career	(4129)	Hope Handley, 1994-1997

Most Career Games

(76)	Aimee Stonack, 1996-1999
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Most Career Starts

(74)	Aimee Stonack, 1996-1999
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Hope Handley

Team

Wins in a season	9	1996, 97, 98, 2000
Consecutive wins	6	1994
Shutouts	7	1994, 1996
Consecutive minutes not scored upon	530	1994
Most losses in a season	12	1995
Consecutive losses	6	1994
Consecutive games w/out win	11	1995
Most times shutout	8	1993

Record

	In a Season/Year	In a Game
Most shots	342/'99	41 vs. College of Charleston, 1993
Most goals	34/'96, '99	7 vs. Virginia Wesleyan, 1993
Most assists	33/'99	3, four times
Most points	101/'96	16 vs. Virginia Wesleyan, 1993
Most corner kicks	91/'94	13 vs. Radford, 1995
Most goalie saves	193/'95	23 vs. Maryland, 1995
Most goals allowed	47/'93	8 vs. William & Mary, 1993
Fewest goals allowed	22/'96	0, 17 times
Fewest shots on goal	200/'96	2 vs. Maryland
Fewest goals scored	12/'95	0, 15 times
Fewest goalie saves	86/'96	0 vs. Liberty, 1994
Fewest corner kicks	64/'93	0 vs. Davidson, 1993

ALL-TIME SERIES RECORDS

Team	Tech Record	First Met	Last Played	Score	Team	Tech Record	First Met	Last Played	Score
American Univ.	2-1-1	1994	1997	1-0	Marshall	1-0-0	2000	2000	1-0
Appalachian St.	1-0-0	1994	1994	3-0	Maryland	0-1-0	1995	1995	0-6
Arkansas-Little Rock	1-0-0	1994	1994	3-0	Massachusetts	0-3-0	1997	1999	0-1
Buffalo	0-0-1	1995	1995	1-1	Minnesota	0-1-0	1994	1994	1-4
Campbell Univ.	0-3-0	1993	1996	0-2	Missouri	0-1-0	2000	2000	1-2
Charlotte	0-2-0	1994	2000	2-3	Monmouth College	0-2-0	1993	1994	0-2
Coll. of Charleston	1-0-0	1993	1993	3-0	N.C. State	0-2-0	1998	1999	1-2
Davidson	1-2-1	1993	1995	0-0	Old Dominion	5-2-0	1994	2000	1-0
Dayton	0-7-0	1994	2000	0-3	Radford	5-2-1	1993	2000	4-0
Delaware	0-1-0	1994	1994	1-3	Rhode Island	2-1-0	1997	1999	4-1
Detroit-Mercury	0-1-0	1993	1993	0-4	Richmond	2-2-0	1996	1999	2-1
Duquesne	2-2-1	1995	1999	0-1	Rutgers	0-1-0	1995	1995	0-1
East Carolina	2-0-0	1996	1997	4-1	St. Bonaventure	3-1-0	1996	1999	2-3
Fordham	2-1-0	1997	1999	3-1	St. Joseph's	3-2-0	1996	2000	0-2
Gardner-Webb	0-0-1	1993	1993	2-2	Seton Hall	0-1-0	2000	2000	2-3
Georgia Southern	2-1-0	1993	1993	1-2	Temple	5-0-0	1996	2000	2-1
G. Washington	1-5-0	1995	2000	2-0	Towson State	1-0-0	1999	1999	3-0
High Point	2-0-0	1996	1998	2-0	UMBC	1-0-1	1998	1998	4-2
Howard	1-0-0	2000	2000	4-2	UNC Asheville	0-1-0	1993	1993	1-2
Indiana	0-1-0	1994	1994	1-2	UNC Greensboro	0-2-0	1993	1996	0-1
James Madison	0-8-0	1993	2000	1-3	Virginia	0-3-0	1994	1996	0-1
Kent	0-1-0	2000	2000	1-2	VCU	3-1-0	1995	1998	3-2
La Salle	4-1-0	1995	1999	3-0	Virginia Wesleyan	1-0-0	1993	1993	7-0
Lafayette College	1-0-0	1994	1994	5-0	Wake Forest	0-1-0	2000	2000	1-5
Lehigh	1-0-0	1994	1994	2-1	William & Mary	0-3-0	1993	1995	0-5
Liberty	4-0-0	1993	2000	1-0	West Virginia	0-2-0	1999	2000	0-1
Louisville	0-2-0	1994	1995	0-2	Wheeling Jesuit	1-0-0	2000	2000	5-0
Loyola	1-0-0	2000	2000	2-0	Xavier	0-5-1	1995	2000	1-3

2001 opponents in **bold**

FIRSTS IN TECH HISTORY

First goal scored	Brooke Fuller vs. Liberty, Sept. 6, 1993
First multiple-goal game	Brooke Fuller vs. Liberty, Sept. 6, 1993
First win	Sept. 6, 1993 vs. Liberty; 4-3
First shutout	Jenny Weibel vs. College of Charleston, Sept. 10, 1993
First hat trick	Sarah Schwark vs. Va. Wesleyan, Sept. 15, 1993
First penalty shot goal	Shannon Mullen vs. Davidson College, Oct. 8, 1993
First 0-0 overtime tie	vs. Davidson College, Oct. 1, 1995
First .500 season	9-9-1, 1996



Tech OPPONENTS

Boston College

Location: Chestnut Hill, Mass.
Enrollment: 14,600
Nickname: Eagles
Colors: Maroon and gold
Conference: BIG EAST
Stadium: Newton Campus Soccer Field
Head Coach: Alison Foley
'00 Record: 14-7
Starters Returning/Lost: 8/3
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 12/6
Contact: Sean Sullivan
Phone: (617) 552-3004

Charlotte

Location: Charlotte, N.C.
Enrollment: 16,785
Nickname: 49ers
Colors: Green and white
Conference: Conference USA
Stadium: Transamerica Field
Head Coach: Neil Roberts
'00 Record: 12-9-1
Starters Returning/Lost: 7/4
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 14/5
Contact: Travis Woods
Phone: (704) 687-6311

Connecticut

Location: Storrs, Conn.
Enrollment: 23,419
Nickname: Huskies
Colors: National Flag Blue and white
Conference: BIG EAST
Stadium: Morrone Stadium
Head Coach: Len Tsantiris
'00 Record: 17-7-2
Starters Returning/Lost: 8/3
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 18/5
Contact: David Longolucco
Phone: (860) 486-3531

Davidson

Location: Davidson, N.C.
Enrollment: 1,652
Nickname: Wildcats
Colors: Red and black
Conference: Southern
Stadium: Smith Field and Richardson Stad.
Head Coach: Kevin Hundley
'00 Record: 14-8
Starters Returning/Lost: 8/3
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 14/5
Contact: Derek Smith
Phone: (704) 894-2123

Georgetown

Location: Washington, D.C.
Enrollment: 12,427
Nickname: Hoyas
Colors: Blue and gray
Conference: BIG EAST
Stadium: Harbin Field
Head Coach: Diane Drake
'00 Record: 8-9-2
Starters Returning/Lost: 6/5
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 20/8
Contact: Aimee Cicero
Phone: (202) 687-5241



Howard

Location: Washington, D.C.
Enrollment: 11,000
Nickname: Lady Booters
Colors: Blue, white and red
Conference: Independent
Stadium: Green Stadium
Head Coach: Michelle Street
'00 Record: 8-10-1
Starters Returning/Lost: 7/4
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 7/4
Contact: Romanda Noble
Phone: (202) 806-7182

James Madison

Location: Harrisonburg, Va.
Enrollment: 15,000
Nickname: Dukes
Colors: Purple and gold
Conference: Colonial
Stadium: JMU Soccer Field
Head Coach: David Lombardo
'00 Record: 10-11
Starters Returning/Lost: 10/1
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 19/1
Contact: Milla Sue Wisecarver
Phone: (540) 568-6154

Liberty

Location: Lynchburg, Va.
Enrollment: 8,500
Nickname: Lady Flames
Colors: Red, white and blue
Conference: Big South
Stadium: Liberty Soccer Field
Head Coach: James Price
'00 Record: 15-7
Starters Returning/Lost: 8/3
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 15/7
Contact: Todd Wetmore
Phone: (434) 582-2292

Miami

Location: Coral Gables, Fla.
Enrollment: 13,963
Nickname: Hurricanes
Colors: Orange, green and white
Conference: BIG EAST
Stadium: Cobb Stadium
Head Coach: Jim Blankenship
'00 Record: 9-10-1
Starters Returning/Lost: 11/0
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 18/5
Contact: Kiersten Coleman
Phone: (305) 284-3236

Old Dominion

Location: Norfolk, Va.
Enrollment: 19,000
Nickname: Lady Monarchs
Colors: Slate blue and silver
Conference: Colonial
Stadium: Old Dominion Soccer Stadium
Head Coach: Joe Pereira
'00 Record: 13-7-1
Starters Returning/Lost: 9/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 18/3
Contact: Chris Remer
Phone: (757) 683-3372

Providence

Location: Providence, R.I.
Enrollment: 3,812
Nickname: Friars
Colors: Black and white
Conference: BIG EAST
Stadium: Glay Field
Head Coach: Tracy Kerr
'00 Record: 7-11-1
Starters Returning/Lost: 7/4
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 15/5
Contact: Jorge Rocha
Phone: (401) 865-2202

Radford

Location: Radford, Va.
Enrollment: 9,100
Nickname: Highlanders
Colors: Red, white and blue
Conference: Big South
Stadium: Dedmon Center Stadium
Head Coach: Ben Sohrabi
'00 Record: 6-11-2
Starters Returning/Lost: 8/3
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 15/8
Contact: Brian Stanley
Phone: (540) 831-5211

Rutgers

Location: New Brunswick, N.J.
Enrollment: 33,500
Nickname: Scarlet Knights
Colors: Scarlet
Conference: BIG EAST
Stadium: Yurcak Field
Head Coach: Glenn Crooks
'00 Record: 9-9-2
Starters Returning/Lost: 6/5
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 17/10
Contact: Heather Brocius
Phone: (732) 445-4200

St. John's

Location: Jamaica, N.Y.
Enrollment: 18,686
Nickname: Red Storm
Colors: Red and white
Conference: BIG EAST
Stadium: DaSilva Field
Head Coach: Ian Stone
'00 Record: 12-9
Starters Returning/Lost: 8/3
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 15/7
Contact: Adrienne Mullikan
Phone: (718) 990-1522

Seton Hall

Location: South Orange, N.J.
Enrollment: 9,498
Nickname: Pirates
Colors: Blue and white
Conference: BIG EAST
Stadium: Owen T. Carroll Field
Head Coach: Betty Ann Kempf
'00 Record: 8-10-1
Starters Returning/Lost: 8/3
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 14/7
Contact: Marie Wozniak
Phone: (973) 761-9493

Syracuse

Location: Syracuse, N.Y.
Enrollment: 10,700
Nickname: Orangewomen
Colors: Orange
Conference: BIG EAST
Stadium: Lampe Athletics Complex
Head Coach: April Kater
'00 Record: 14-7
Starters Returning/Lost: 8/3
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 11/5
Contact: Evan Koth
Phone: (315) 443-2608

UNC Greensboro

Location: Greensboro, N.C.
Enrollment: 12,318
Nickname: Spartans
Colors: Gold, white and navy
Conference: Southern
Stadium: UNCG Soccer Stadium
Head Coach: Eddie Radwanski
'00 Record: 14-8-1
Starters Returning/Lost: 9/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 19/4
Contact: Mark Wasik
Phone: (336)334-5615

Western Carolina

Location: Cullowhee, N.C.
Enrollment: 6,500
Nickname: Catamounts
Colors: Purple and gold
Conference: Southern
Stadium: Charles W. Schrader Field
Head Coach: Debbie Hensley
'00 Record: 11-1-8-2
Starters Returning/Lost: 11/0
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 15/2
Contact: Karen Hagman
Phone: (828) 227-2336

William & Mary

Location: Williamsburg, Va.
Enrollment: 5,560
Nickname: Tribe
Colors: Green, gold and silver
Conference: Colonial
Stadium: Barksdale Field/Busch Field
Head Coach: John Daly
'00 Record: 15-6
Starters Returning/Lost: 9/1
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 16/1
Contact: Andrew R. Green
Phone: (757) 221-3370



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).

Student-athletes devote many hours to practice, conditioning and training that are not required of all students. Due to their time commitment and their high visibility, it is an obligation and in the best interest of the university to supply these students with services which will allow them to maximize their academic potential.

SAASS provides programming for all 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 houses over 26 computers on the second floor of Cassell Coliseum and laptop computers are also available for Tech athletes to use when travelling to away contests. The athletic



Chris Helms



Katie Ammons

department also provides areas for private, quiet study for the athletes' convenience.

Additionally, student-athletes can use the Center for Academic Enrichment and Excellence site

offices, located in Hillcrest and Femoyer Halls.

With the help of these resources, the Virginia Tech graduation rate for student-athletes has risen significantly in recent years and reached 67 percent in 2001 as compared to the national average of 58 percent. The projected 2002 student-athlete graduation rate is over 70 percent which will mark the fourth time in the last nine years that Tech has reached that level.

Chris Helms, in his third year at Tech, is the director and is responsible for the development and leadership of the SAASS office. Helms oversees an office comprised of associate directors Lois Berg and Colin Howlett, assistant directors Katie Ammons, Renie Edwards and Becky Kolenbrander, and secretary Terrie Repass.

THE HOKIES' ATHLETIC PERFORMANCE PROGRAM

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

The soccer 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 Athletics Department.

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 three graduate assistants – Erin O'Neil, Tim Ralph and Shannon Turly.

Chones is in her first year as the assistant strength coach. Her duties include working with women's soccer, lacrosse, cross country, swimming & diving, women's tennis, women's basketball, the HighTechs and cheerleaders.

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

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.

A native of Annapolis, Md., the

27-year-old is a Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist with the NSCA and she is a member of USA Weightlifting.

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 for its student-athletes in the past couple of years. At Tech, sports psychology and nutrition are also a part of the student-athlete's preparation – not just for game day, but also for life after college.

The Training Edge

In addition to her responsibilities as coordinator of student life, Amy Freel is the athletics department's sports nutritionist.

Freel works one-on-one with student-athletes to provide them with information that they need on their diet. She also provides individual players with diet counseling on issues such as gaining lean muscle mass, losing body fat, and how to eat to improve performance.

The sports nutritionist works with the "Training Edge," a dining option for health-conscious students and athletes, to design menus for training tables and daily menu selections.

Sports Psychology

A new addition to the athletics department as of August 2000 is sports psychology. The licensed psychologists, Dr. Brenna Chirby, 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.

"I've always felt that (sports psychology) was an important element. We want to be a holistic model of an athletics department and we wanted to and needed to include sports psychology in that model," Gentry says.

"These are great resources for our coaches and our athletes," Gentry adds. "We've improved a lot in areas of strength and conditioning, nutrition and in sports psychology. It's all about becoming a well-rounded athletic program and helping student-athletes. We want to give them all the resources we can to put them in a position to be successful."

SUPPORT STAFF



Emily Chones
Assistant Strength
Coach



Marianne Baffi
Soccer Secretary



Tech ADMINISTRATION



DR. CHARLES STEGER • UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT

Item: Virginia Tech applications up 15 percent. Entering students have highest SAT average ever. Virginia Tech competes for national championship in football. University announces two new mega bio-tech programs. Things are looking pretty

rosy for Virginia Tech, right?

Enter Charles W. Steger. His assessment? "We have to rev the engines even higher. If you're not moving quickly forward, you might as well be standing still," says the energetic 54-year-old president.

Appointed president by the university board effective Jan. 7, 2000, Steger possesses the breadth and depth of experience to lead Virginia Tech at the point when higher education must learn to cope with major technology changes permeating education.

Steger has lofty goals for Virginia's leading research university. "I would like to see us ranked among the nation's top

30 universities before the end of the decade," says Steger.

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, which concluded in 1998, raised \$337 million, \$87 million over its goal.

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's of architecture and a Ph.D., in environmental science and engineering from Virginia Tech. He and his wife Janet, have two sons, David and Christopher.



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, 56, was appointed on September 24, 1997 and has been a tireless leader in behalf of Tech athletics. In his four 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.

Weaver's biggest accomplishment 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 area of facilities, where he has major plans for the expansion of Lane Stadium/Worsham Field.

Virginia Tech contracted with GreenTech, Inc., of Richmond, Va., to install its highly innovative, ITM natural grass sports field system in Lane Stadium/Worsham Field for the 2001 season. Under Weaver's direction, lighted football practice fields — conveniently located in the center of the athletics complex — were completed during the spring.

With the football team moving to the new practice complex this fall, the former football practice field will be used for the Tech men's and women's soccer teams this fall and the women's lacrosse team in the spring. Previously these teams used the infield at the Johnson-Miller Outdoor track complex. The upper field will be used as the game field with the lower fields used for practice. The addition of a new scoreboard is only the start of plans to upgrade the facility. Some repairs to the fields will be made this fall with extensive improvements, including lasergrading to remove the crown, to take place in the near future. Future plans also include the addition of bleacher seating and a press box.

"Jim Weaver was the unanimous choice of our search committee," retired Tech President Paul Torgersen said at a Blacksburg news conference when the new AD was introduced. "The committee was searching for someone with extensive Division I experience, a commitment to compliance, a commitment to gender equity, a commitment to all 21 varsity sports and a vision for conference alignment."

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

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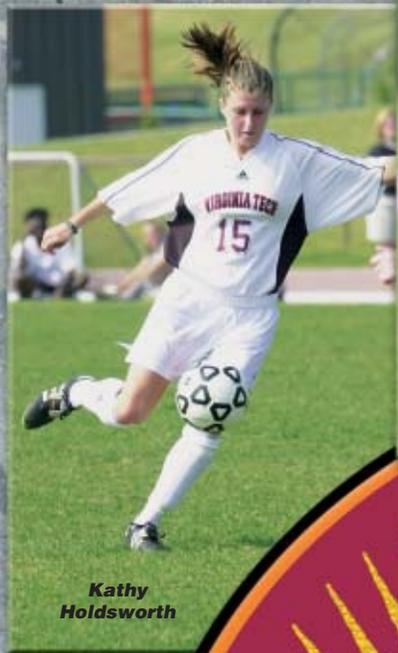
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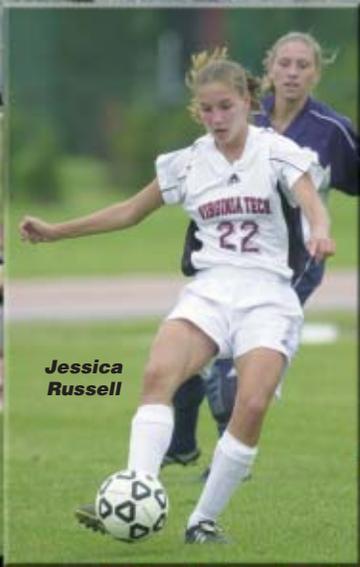


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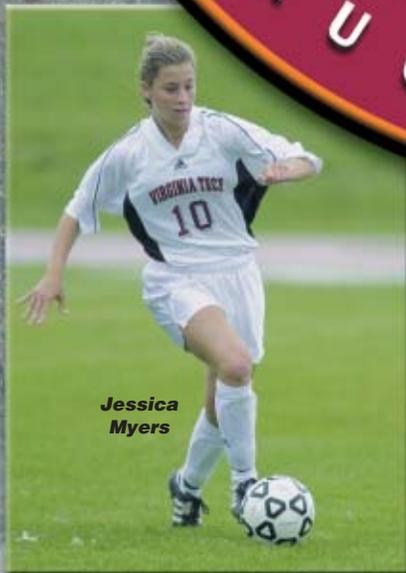
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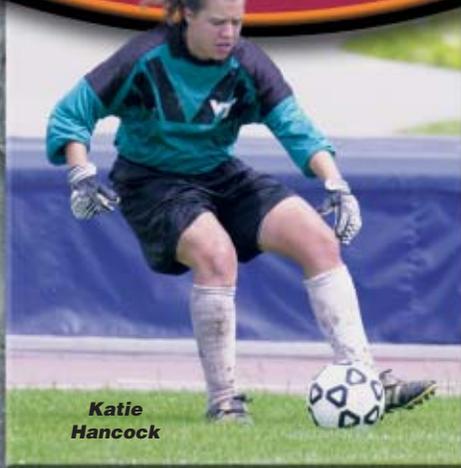
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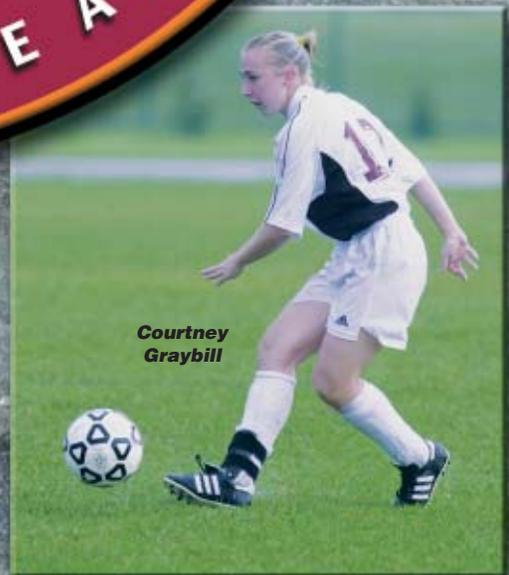
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