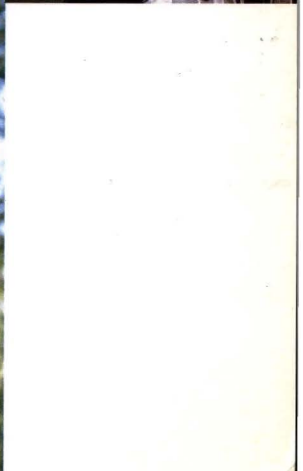
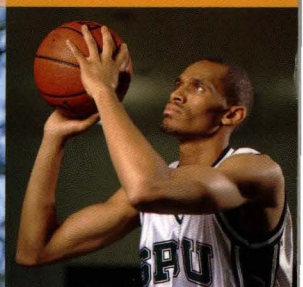
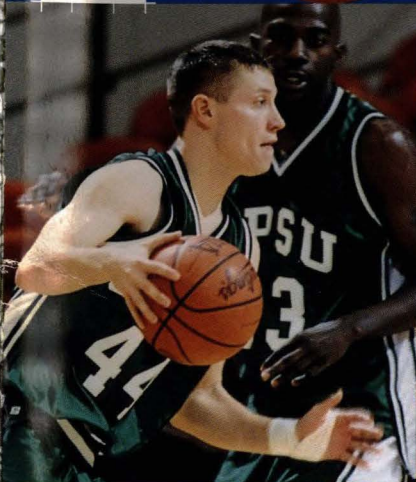


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Quick Facts

Location:	Marietta, Georgia
Enrollment:	3700
President:	Dr. Lisa Rossbacher
Founded:	1948
Nickname:	Runnin' Hornets
Colors:	Forest Green & White
Affiliation:	NAIA Div. I
Conference:	Georgia-Alabama-Carolina Conference
Arena / Gym:	SPSU Gymnasium
Athletic Director:	Karl Staber (770) 528-7349
Chancellor:	Dr. Stephen Portch
Head Coach:	Mike Helfer (770) 528-7360
Record at SPSU:	58-41 (3 Years)
Overall Record:	58-41 (3 Years)
Assistant Coaches:	Jeff Wilson, Troy Youngs, Jim LaPointe
1999-00 Record:	28-7
1999-00 GACC:	16-4
	<i>"DEFENDING GACC REGULAR SEASON AND TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS"</i>
2000 NAIA National Tournament:	Def. Pt. Loma Nazarene 74-65 Advanced to "Sweet 16"
Starters Ret./Lost:	4/1
Acting SID:	Brian Pruett
Athletic Phone:	(770) 528-7350



*Dr. Lisa Rossbacher
President of
Southern Polytechnic*

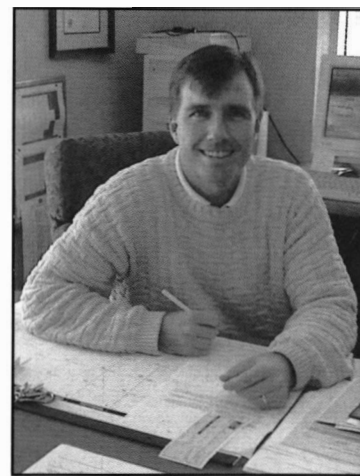
President's Message

Welcome to Southern Polytechnic State University's fans, our friends, and our worthy competitors! I always enjoy the opportunity to watch our exciting "Runnin' Hornets" play the game of basketball with such talent, enthusiasm and a strong competitive will to succeed. And succeed they do, with the championship trophies to prove it. But the hornets are also a team of achievers off the court--a team of academically motivated young men who are mastering difficult technologies and challenging sciences at our university. This is a team of well rounded individuals who are working to reach their potential as athletes, scholars, and future leaders in their professional fields. I'm very proud of them, of their coach Mike Helfer and his assistants, and of their professors, and I appreciate your support for their efforts.

Athletic Director's Message

Welcome to Southern Polytechnic State University. I would like to thank you for supporting our defending GACC Champion Runnin' Hornets. We are very proud of our basketball team, as we are proud of all our intercollegiate teams. Part of the Athletic Department's mission is to provide an environment for social interaction, campus/community building, fostering a sense of collegiate spirit and tradition, and to create and enhance a positive image of the University and Department throughout the city, state, and region. We work everyday to improve over the last day.

The SPSU athletic program is relatively young and still growing. We have quality programs, student/athletes, coaches, and staff. As you become introduced to our program, we feel that you will agree with our assessment and will be proud to be a booster of SPSU Athletics.



Karl Staber - A.D.



About SPSU

Southern Polytechnic State University is a member of the University System of Georgia and serves a commuter as well as residential student body. Located in the historic, vibrant city of Marietta, Southern Polytechnic is only 20 minutes from downtown Atlanta. Approximately 4,000 traditional and non-traditional students attend classes during the day, evening, and on weekends on a campus that combines 232 acres of naturally-wooded landscape with modern facilities to meet students' academic, physical, and social needs.

Founded in 1948 as a two-year division of the Georgia Institute of Technology at the request of the Georgia Business and Industry Association, the University celebrated its 50th anniversary in 1998. Over the years there have been many changes; among the most significant was the establishment of the institution as an independent college in the University System of Georgia.

The University offers associate, baccalaureate, and master's degree programs in a variety of technology and science-related fields through the Colleges of Technology and Arts and Sciences and the Schools of Architecture and Management. Students have a wide range of choices from a two-year core curriculum associate degree in general studies to master of science programs in several fields. Since its founding in 1948, the University has earned an exceptional reputation in the field of engineering technology. Over the years, Southern Polytechnic has expanded and broadened its degree programs in some of the nation's fastest growing fields and offers a diverse Arts and Science curriculum. The School of Architecture earned candidacy for its accreditation by the National Architecture Accrediting Board in less than two years, becoming the only institution offering a nationally accredited Bachelor of



Architecture degree in Georgia. Southern Polytechnic is an educational institution of "firsts." In the fall of 1997, Southern Polytechnic stepped to the forefront of technological advances in education, becoming the first institution in Georgia to offer a full degree program over the Internet - the Master of Science in Quality Assurance.



Southern Polytechnic provides many learning opportunities beyond the classroom--professional student organizations; Greek organizations; the student newspaper, The Sting; intramural programs; honor societies; WGHR student radio station; and other activities and organizations, including intercollegiate athletics.

Defense of the GACC Championship

The Southern Polytechnic Men's Basketball team has a new view of the Georgia-Alabama-Carolina Conference as they enter the 2000-01 season. They are on the top of the mountain as the defending regular season and tournament champions. Last year, the "Runnin Hornets" finished with a 28-7 record, including a 16-4 GACC mark. Their GACC Regular Season Championship was the first for Southern Polytechnic since the 1987-88 season. The Hornets proceeded to win the GACC Tournament by an average margin of 21 points per game.

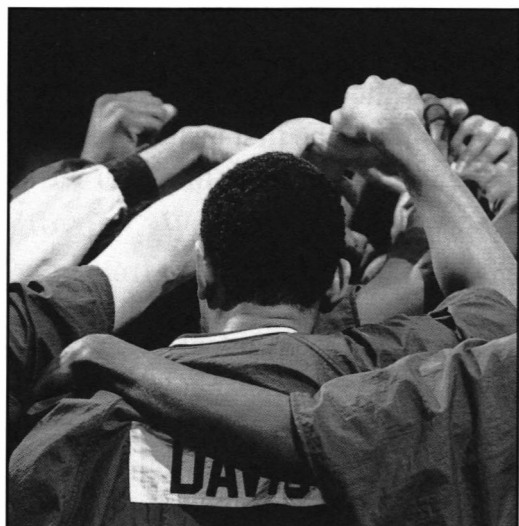
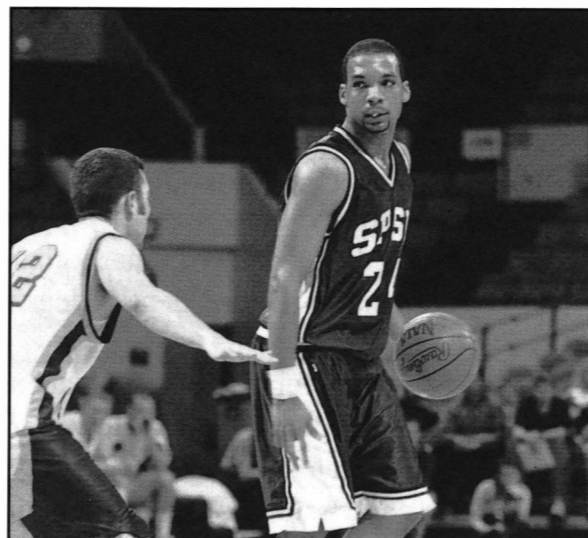
It was a year that started to build a basketball tradition at Southern Polytechnic and saw the program flourish under Head Coach Mike Helfer. Helfer has led the Hornets for 3 seasons and has an overall record of 58-41 during that stretch. The 1999-2000 team was his first with all of his own "recruited" players. For his efforts, Helfer was named the GACC Men's Basketball Coach of the Year and the GACC Men's Sports Coach of the Year.

"We have worked hard to get to the top of the mountain," said Helfer. "It's very difficult to win a championship and the credit goes to our players. They go through the conditioning, practice, and make all of the plays. I just try to focus on the chemistry."

SPSU continued to build on its "up-tempo" style of play by averaging almost 90 points per game during the 1999-2000 campaign. That placed the Hornets 4th in the country in scoring in all of NAIA Division I. Their full court pressing defense forced an unbelievable 27 turnovers per game. "It's a style of play that I believe in and want our players to believe in," said Helfer. "We try to pressure for 40 minutes and utilize a lot of players, which in turn gives opportunities to many different guys to contribute."

The 2000-01 season offers a bright future for SPSU. The Hornets return 11 of 14 players including 4 starters. The nucleus is in tact, but Helfer brought in some quality recruits to add to the fire. Most importantly, he added size to the inside game by adding 3 players 6'6" or taller.

"We will have experience and you can't buy that. Our focus will be blending the old players with the new ones and working as a team," said Helfer. "Each year presents new challenges and new goals. We want to continue to build a basketball tradition here and if we work hard and stay together, then we can do it."



2000-01 Preview

Alphabetical Roster...

#	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Pos.	Cl.	Hometown / School
32	Mike Benson	6'2	185	G/F	Jr.	Atlanta, GA / Creeksideton
22	Ruben Bush	6'1	180	G.	So.	Springfield, MA / N. Hampshire
30	Duriel Coleman	6'2	200	G.	Jr.	Austin, TX / Beulah Heights
52	Adama Fall	6'5	195	F.	Sr.	Dakar, Senegal
33	Antonio Graham	6'6	235	C	Jr.	Atlanta, GA / Morris Brown
24	Duwand Jackson	6'4	200	G/F	Jr.	St. Mountain, GA / Atl. Metro
14	Kendrick Jones*	6'2	175	G	Fr.	Duluth, GA / Duluth H.S.
54	Leho Kraav	6'10	215	F	So.	Estonia / Kent State
34	Brian Kulich	6'4	185	F	So.	Dallas, GA / S. Paulding H.S.
42	Austin Larkin	6'8	215	F	Jr.	Atlanta, GA / Coastal Georgia
40	Perry Mattis	6'6	220	C	Sr.	Kingston, Jamaica / Clark State
20	D'Juan Neal	6'3	180	G	Jr.	Springfield, MA / St. John's Prep
10	Antwan Shellman	6'0	200	G	Sr.	Monroe, GA / Middle Georgia
44	Travis Stephens	6'5	180	G	Sr.	Loganville, GA / Coastal Georgia
4	Branton Walton	6'8	185	F/C	Sr.	Atlanta, GA / Snead State
12	Shuron Washington	6'4	180	G	Sr.	Albany, GA / Middle Georgia
50	Quentin Wilson	6'7	220	C	So.	St. Mountain, GA / N. Springs

*Will Redshirt 2000-01 Season

Numerical Roster...

#	Name	Ht	Pos	CL	Hometown/School
4	Branton Walton	6'8	F/C	Sr.	Atlanta, GA/Snead State
10	Antwan Shellman	6'0	G	Sr.	Monroe, GA / Middle Georgia
12	Shuron Washington	6'4	G	Sr.	Albany, GA / Middle Georgia
20	D'Juan Neal	6'3	G	Jr.	Springfield, MA/ St. John's Prep
22	Ruben Bush	6'1	G	So.	Springfield, MA / New Hampshire
24	Duwand Jackson	6'4	G/F	Jr.	Stone Mountain, GA / Atlanta Metro
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52	Adama Fall	6'5	F	Sr.	Dakar, Senegal
54	Leho Kraav	6'10	F	So.	Estonia / Kent State

Squad Breakdown...

>>>Starters Returning (4)

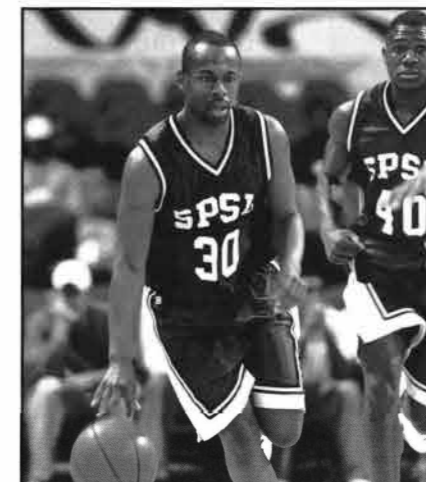
Name	Pos	Ht.	Cl.	PPG	RPG
Duwand Jackson	G	6'4	Jr.	15.7	5.7
Shuron Washington	G	6'4	Sr.	11.2	2.8
Perry Mattis	C	6'6	Sr.	5.0	3.8
Duriel Coleman	G	6'2	Jr.	13.0	3.2

>>>Starters Lost (1)

Chauncey Ford	F	6'4	Sr.	10.5	4.8
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>>>Other Key Players Returning (5)

D'Juan Neal	G	6'3	Jr.	5.8	2.7
Antwan Shellman	G	6'0	Sr.	9.3	1.9
Adama Fall	F	6'5	Sr.	1.9	3.4
Travis Stephens	G	6'5	Sr.	6.0	1.8
Branton Walton	F	6'8	Sr.	12.8	3.8



Roster Breakdown..

>>>BY CLASS

Seniors (6):

- Adama Fall
- Perry Mattis
- Antwan Shellman
- Travis Stephens
- Branton Walton
- Shuron Washington

Juniors (6):

- Mike Benson
- Duriel Coleman
- Antonio Graham
- Duwand Jackson
- Austin Larkin
- D'Juan Neal

Sophmores (4):

- Ruben Bush
- Leho Kraav
- Brian Kulich
- Quentin Wilson

Freshman (1):

- Kendrick Jones

>>>BY STATE/

COUNTRY

Georgia (11):

- Mike Benson
- Antonio Graham
- Duwand Jackson
- Kendrick Jones
- Brian Kulich
- Austin Larkin
- Antwan Shellman
- Travis Stephens
- Branton Walton
- Shuron Washington
- Quentin Wilson

Massachusetts (2):

- Ruben Bush
- D'Juan Neal

Texas (1):

- Duriel Coleman

Estonia (1):

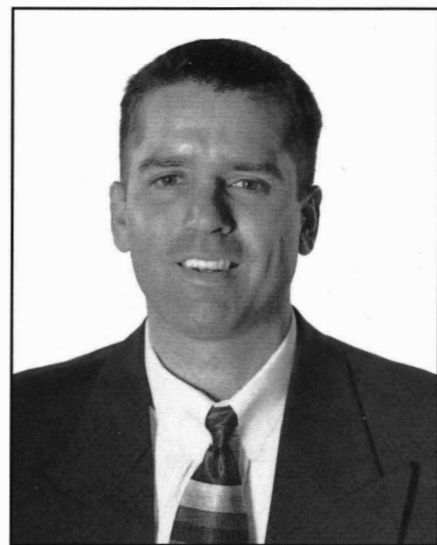
- Leho Kraav

Jamaica (1):

- Perry Mattis

Senegal (1):

- Adama Fall



MIKE HELFER

Head Coach (4th Year)

Capital University '89

Mike Helfer is entering his fourth year as the head men's basketball coach at Southern Polytechnic. The SPSU program has reached unbelievable heights during Helfer's first 3 seasons. Last year, the "Runnin' Hornets" finished 28-7 and won both the Georgia-Alabalma-Carolina Conference regular season and tournament Championships. SPSU went to the NAIA Div. I National Championship in Tulsa, Oklahoma for the first time since 1987. The Runnin' Hornets defeated Point Loma Nazarene in the opening round and advanced to the "Sweet 16" before losing to eventual National Champion Life University.

Helfer was named the GACC Men's Basketball Conference Coach of the Year for his efforts during the 1999-00 season. He was also named the Male Conference Coach of the Year, which includes all of the Mens's sports in the GACC.

Prior to SPSU, Helfer was at Grand Valley State University, where he served as the top assistant during the 1996-97 season. Grand Valley won the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference regular season and tournament championship while he was on staff. GVSU advanced to the NCAA Div. II National Tournament in March of 1997.

Before heading to Grand Valley, Helfer was an assistant at NCAA Division I, Kent State University, from 1991-96. Kent State is a member of the always competitive Mid American Conference.

Helfer graduated with a bachelor's degree from Capital University, located in Columbus, Ohio. He played 4 years for the Crusaders and was named a team captain his senior year. During his career, he started for 3 seasons and led CU to the NCAA Division III National Tournament during his senior year with a 21-6 overall mark. He also holds a Master's Degree in Sport Administration from Kent State.

Championships have followed Helfer along his athletic path. As a player in high school, he won two State high school football championships at Newark Catholic High School in Newark, Ohio. He also lettered 3 years in basketball and track and won the Knights of Columbus Award given each year to the outstanding student-athlete at NC.

Helfer has been a member of the National Association of Basketball Coaches for 11 years and is currently serving as the chair of the GACC Men's Basketball committee.

THE HELFER FILE

>Head Coaching Experience: Southern Polytechnic:

Year	W	L	%
1999-00	28	7	.800
1998-99	14	18	.438
1997-98	16	16	.500
Totals	58	41	.585

>Asst. Coaching Experience: Grand Valley State Univ.

1996-97	23	6	.793
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Kent State University:

1995-96	14	13	.518
1994-95	8	19	.296
1993-94	13	14	.481
1992-93	10	17	.370
1991-92	9	19	.321

Capital University:

1990-91	17	10	.629
1989-90	15	11	.576
Totals	109	109	.500

>College Playing Experience: Capital University Basketball

1985-89

>Personal:

Full Name: Michael Ray Helfer
 Born: 2/27/67
 Location: Newark, Ohio
 Resides: Atlanta, Georgia
 Hobbies: Golf, Running

Q & A WITH HEAD COACH MIKE HELFER

What is your coaching philosophy?

"First, I want to make sure that each and every one of my players receives a quality education and obtains his degree from Southern Polytechnic. Second, I believe that a coach has the ability to directly affect the lives of the young men that he is leading. I want this to be a very positive relationship that develops beyond the playing floor and exists after graduation. It is important to teach the game of basketball, but it is also important to teach about the game of life."

What did the GACC Championship and National Tournament trip do for the basketball program?

"It taught us to believe in hard work and commitment by a large group of individuals. If you stay focused on your goal and come together, then you can accomplish anything you set out to do. The National Tournament helped put our program on the map. However, to be a permanent fixture on that map, we have to be consistent each year and that means we have to continue to raise the bar and the expectations that we have in our program."

What are the positives about Southern Polytechnic?

"In my mind, Southern Polytechnic is truly a hidden gem. We are a leader in the world of technology and our University ranks second to none. The faculty and staff care about the students and because of our size, each student can benefit from smaller classes and a true learning environment. Potential students need to come and see our University in person and if that happens, I believe they will make the decision to come here."

What is your recruiting philosophy?

"We look at three different categories when we recruit student-athletes for our program. First, we want players who are good students. They must want to receive a quality education and we will make sure that they get it. Second, we recruit players who are good people. I believe in bringing in student-athletes that have character and solid beliefs in who they are and what they stand for. Finally, we want to bring in good players. We want to build a program that can compete for a National Championship year in and year out."

What style of play will fans see when they come to a Runnin' Hornet game?

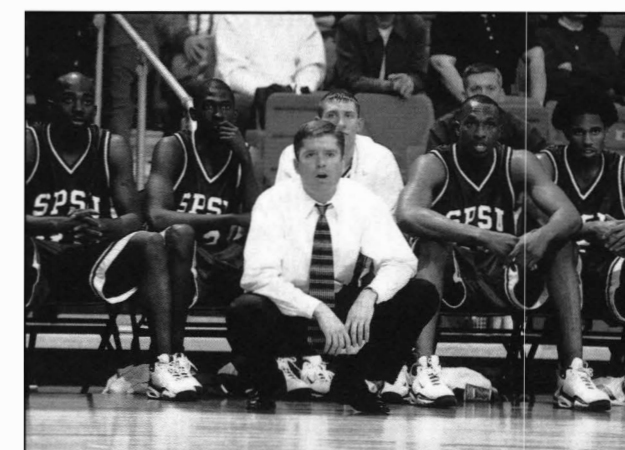
"Our style of play is very uptempo and exciting to watch. We will put an extreme amount of pressure on the opponents in the full court, both offensively and defensively. We believe in forcing the tempo and utilizing a lot of players. Our style is one that we believe in and one that fits into a championship formula."

What do you think is a good description of the quality of play in the GACC?

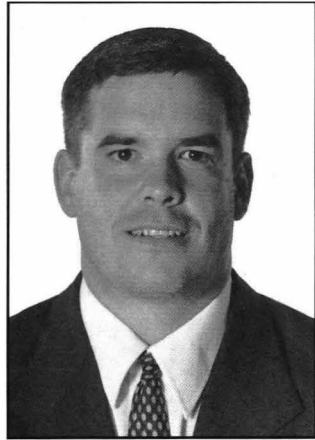
"The Georgia-Alabama-Carolina Conference is very underrated in the Southeast. Our conference is strong from top to bottom and consistently has great athletes who can really play the game of basketball. Last year we sent 3 teams to the NAIA Div. I National Tournament in Tulsa, Ok. There are coaches and players in the GACC that know the game of basketball and know how to compete. You can't rest on any given night and that is a sign of a very good conference."

What would you tell a high school student-athlete who is preparing to come to SPSU?

"First, I would tell them to get ready to begin a journey that will change their lives forever. The education and experiences they receive here will affect both their career and personal paths in life. Second, I would tell them to take advantage of everything we have to offer. The resources here are endless and to not take advantage of them would be a big mistake. Finally, they must realize that they are coming into a family and we believe in taking care of each other here at SPSU."



Assistant Coach - Jeff Wilson
Capital University - 1990

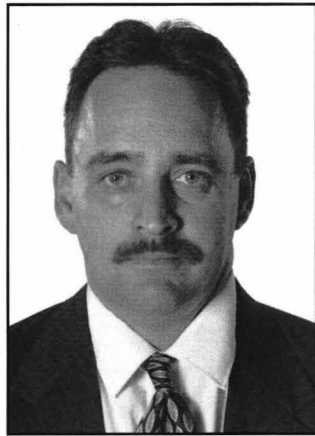


Jeff Wilson is beginning his fourth season as the top assistant to Coach Helfer. Wilson played three years competitively with Helfer at Capital University from 1986-89. He lettered three seasons at Capital and set a national free throw percentage record (94%) during his senior year. In the Spring of 1990, he graduated from CU with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration.

Prior to coming to Southern Polytechnic, Wilson was an assistant at Marietta College in Marietta, Ohio for 3 years. During his stay, the Pioneers posted three of the best years in school history. Before joining the staff at Marietta, Wilson was an assistant at Capital for 2 years.

"I always knew that I would love to coach. It is important for me to be involved with young athletes and give them some direction as a role model as they progress through their college experience. I am looking forward to continuing the successful tradition that we have built here at SPSU."

Assistant Coach - Troy Youngs
State University of New York - 1988



Troy Youngs is beginning his second season as an assistant to Coach Helfer. Youngs played at the Junior College level for Herkimer County Community College in upstate New York. In his freshman year they won the Mountain Valley Conference Title. He holds an AAS in Data Processing and a BS in Computer Science from the State University of New York at Utica.

Prior to coming to Southern Polytechnic, Youngs was a Girl's Varsity Head Coach at Holland Patent High School from 1993-97 and the top assistant for the Girl's Varsity Team at Canastota High School from 1987-92. He has run several youth programs and helped assisted at various college camps. Currently he is active with the Kennesaw Mountain Youth Basketball Association and Metro Programs. Troy resides in Acworth, Ga. with wife Bonnie, children Daneille and Troy Jr.

"Since I started coaching in 1987, I have wanted to get to the college level. This has been a great experience for myself and my family. I am extremely grateful to Mike, Jeff, the Team and the entire SPSU family for giving me this opportunity."

Assistant Coach - Jim LaPointe
Louisiana Baptist University - 1994

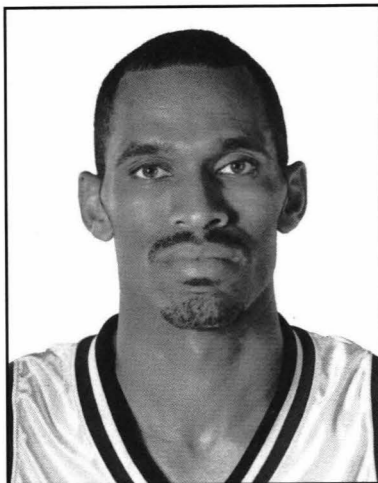


Jim LaPointe is beginning his first season as an assistant to Coach Helfer. LaPointe also served as an assistant at Tucker High School for the past three years and helped the Tigers to win 63 games during that stretch. Lapointe coached current SPSU guard Duwand Jackson at Tucker High School. LaPointe earned a Masters Degree in Sports Administration from Louisiana Baptist University in 1994.

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2000-2001 Men's Basketball Schedule

Nov. 10	Fri.	Pensacola Christian College	Away	7:30PM(CST)
14	Tues.	Voorhees College	Home	7:30PM
17	Fri.	SPSU Thanksgiving Tournament	Home	
		<i>Piedmont vs. Huntingdon</i>		6:00PM
		<i>SPSU vs. Berry College</i>		8:00PM
18	Sat.	SPSU Thanksgiving Tournament	Home	2 / 4 PM
21	Tues.	Life University	Home	7:30PM
27	Mon.	Voorhees College	Away	7:30PM
Dec. 2	Sat.	Coaches vs. Cancer Classic	Away	4:00PM
		At Shorter College- SPSU vs. Berry College		
5	Tues.	Trevecca Nazarene University	Away	7:30PM
28	Thurs.	SPSU Holiday Classic	Home	7:30PM
		SPSU vs Carver College		
30	Sat.	SPSU Holiday Classic	Home	2:00PM
		<i>SPSU vs. Ohio Dominican</i>		
Jan. 6	Sat.	Georgia Southwestern University*	Away	7:30PM
8	Mon.	Brewton Parker College*	Away	7:30PM
11	Thurs.	Southern Wesleyan University*	Home	7:30PM
13	Sat.	Pensacola Christian College	Home	7:30PM
15	Mon.	North Georgia College*	Away	7:30PM
18	Thurs.	Shorter College*	Home	7:30PM
20	Sat.	Faulkner University*	Home	2:00PM
22	Mon.	Auburn University-Montgomery*	Home	7:30PM
27	Sat.	Oakwood College	Away	8:00PM (CST)
29	Mon.	Reinhardt College*	Away	7:00PM
Feb. 1	Thurs.	Emmanuel College*	Away	7:30PM
3	Sat.	Georgia Southwestern University*	Home	2:00PM
5	Mon.	Brewton Parker College*	Home	7:30PM
8	Thurs.	Southern Wesleyan University*	Away	7:30PM
12	Mon.	North Georgia College*	Home	7:30PM
15	Thurs.	Shorter College*	Away	7:00PM
17	Sat.	Faulkner University*	Away	2:00PM (CST)
19	Mon.	Auburn University-Montgomery*	Away	7:30PM (CST)
22	Thurs.	Emmanuel College*	Home	7:30PM
26	Mon.	Reinhardt College*	Home	7:30PM
Feb. 28 - Mar.3		GACC Tournament	Dahlonega,GA	TBA
Mar. 14 - 20		NAIA National Tournament	Tulsa, OK	TBA

*Georgia-Alabama-Carolina Conference Game



#4 Branton Walton

6'8 • 185 • Sr. • Forward • Atlanta, GA
Management

Coach Helfer on Walton:

"Branton is one of the most athletic players I have ever coached. He uses his athleticism in all areas of his game. At 6'8, he is a difficult match-up for anyone because he can score on the block and knock in the three pointer."

***At SPSU:** Played in only 9 games in his first year with the Hornets...Made an immediate impact in averaging almost 13 points and 7 rebounds per game.

***High School:** Played for Coach Kirby Lamb at Creekside High School...Averaged 10ppg and 10rpg his senior year...Had 50 dunks his senior year...Team made it to the Georgia state final game.

***Previous School:** Played for Coach Brent McCoy at Snead State Community College...Team made it to the state championship game.

***Personal:** Son of Sandra Walton and Ray Jackson...Lives with his grandmother, Lottie Walton and 11 year old brother Damon Hanson...Favorite player is Michael Jordan...Hobbies include video games and watching Sportscenter.

Year	Games	Field Goal			3 pt FG			Free Throws			Rebounds			PF	FO	A	TO	BL	ST	Pts	Ave		
		Play	Start	Md	Att	%	Md	Att	%	Md	Att	%	Off									Def	Ttl
1999-00	9	9	45	80	.562	5	16	.313	20	24	.833	21	44	65	7.2	23	1	7	17	15	4	115	12.8

#10 Antwan Shellman

6'0 • 200 • Senior • Guard • Monroe, GA
Computer Engineering Technology

Coach Helfer on Shellman:

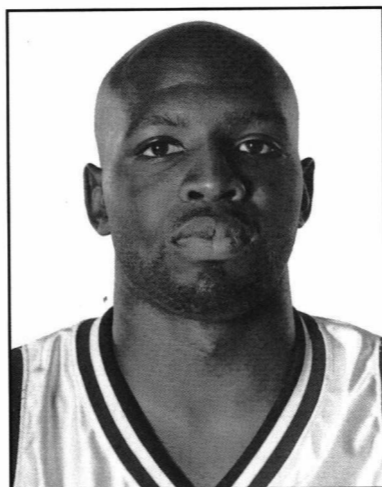
"Antwan is one of our strongest players and uses his strength to his advantage, especially on the defensive end of the floor. He is underrated as a shooter and will help us a lot from 3-point range."

***At SPSU:** Has just completed 1st season with SPSU... Played in 34 out of 35 games this past season...Averaged 9.5 points per game and 2.0 rebounds...Had career highs of 22 points versus Grace College and 5 rebounds versus Tiffin University in 1999-2000

***High School:** Played for Coach Jay Livingston at Monroe Area High School...All-Region Honorable Mention...3 year letterwinner...Most Valuable Player Award...Free Throw Award winner.

***Previous School:** Played for Coach Dale Hatcher at Middle Georgia College last two seasons...2 year letterwinner...6th man award winner.

***Personal:** Son of Sammy and Josie Shellman...Father was golden glove boxer...Has 2 sisters and 1 brother...Sister Tonya is a graduate from Albany State where she played basketball and ran track...Sister Silver attended Michigan University and continued to play in Switzerland for 1 year.



Year	Games	Field Goal			3 pt FG			Free Throws			Rebounds			PF	FO	A	TO	BL	ST	Pts	Ave		
		Play	Start	Md	Att	%	Md	Att	%	Md	Att	%	Off									Def	Ttl
1999-00	34	1	110	277	.397	30	85	.353	67	80	.813	29	36	65	1.9	79	2	56	70	1	55	317	9.3

#12 Shuron Washington

6-4 • 170 • Senior • Guard • Albany, GA
Management

Coach Helfer on Washington:

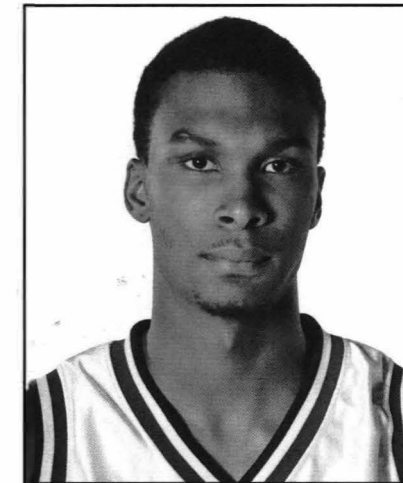
"Shuron has made great strides here, both as a player and a person. He is one of our best perimeter shooters and can create things off the dribble. He will be one of our leaders and someone we look for to get an important basket."

***At SPSU:** After 1st season at SPSU...Averaged 11.6 points per game and 3 rebounds during the 1999-2000 season...Had career highs of 25 points versus Southern Wesleyan University and 7 rebounds, 3 times, during the 1999-2000 season...Scored double figures in 17 of 34 games played.

***High School:** Played for Coach Willie Boston at Westover High School...Averaged 12 ppg, 4 rpg, 3 apg, and 2 steals...Received Best All Around Player Award...All-Region honors

***Previous School:** Played for Coach Dale Hatcher at Middle Georgia College last season

***Personal:** Son of Dottie Stroud and Henry Washington...Born on August 8, 1978 in Albany, Georgia. Has 3 brothers...Ran track in high school, competing in the High Jump and Long Jump...Hobbies include playing basketball, video games, and ping pong.



Year	Games	Field Goal			3 pt FG			Free Throws			Rebounds			PF	FO	A	TO	BL	ST	Pts	Ave		
		Play	Start	Md	Att	%	Md	Att	%	Md	Att	%	Off									Def	Ttl
99-00	35	33	136	292	.452	68	159	.427	53	83	.638	42	57	99	2.9	77	3	49	63	13	55	393	11.6

#40 Perry Mattis

6'6 • 220 • Senior • Center • Kingston, Jamaica
Management

Coach Helfer on Mattis:

"Perry has improved in all areas since arriving here. He is a very physical post player who can score on the block and has good athleticism."

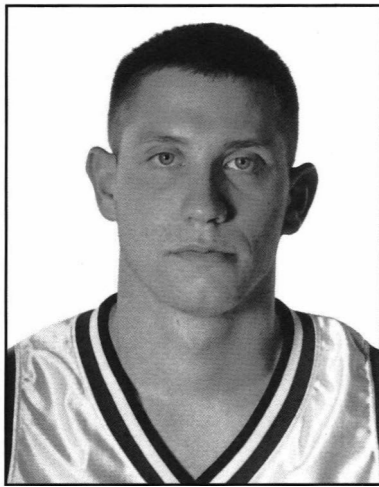
***At SPSU:** After one season at SPSU...Averaged 5.0 points per game and 3.6 rebounds this past season...Had career highs of 12 points versus Shorter and 7 rebounds versus Faulkner University...Led the team in blocked shots with 22.

***High School:** Played for Coach Basil Barrette at Ardenne High School...Averaged 18.6 ppg, 13.4 rpg, and 3 blocks....Member of 4 league championship teams...Captain of team for 3 years...Played volleyball.

***Previous School:** Played at Clark State Comm. College in 1998-99...All-OCCAC Honorable Mention...

***Personal:** Son of Beserley and the late Ewan Mattis...Born September 1, 1977 in Jamaica...Has 2 sisters, one living in Jamaica and one in the Bronx, New York...Hobbies include reading, listening to native music, listening to classical and R & B music to relax.

Year	Games	Field Goal			3 pt FG			Free Throws			Rebounds			PF	FO	A	TO	BL	ST	Pts	Ave		
		Play	Start	Md	Att	%	Md	Att	%	Md	Att	%	Off									Def	Ttl
99-00	34	24	68	136	.500	0	1	.000	35	70	.500	46	77	123	3.6	84	2	17	49	22	22	171	5.0



44 Travis Stephens

6'5 • 180 • Senior • Guard • Loganville, GA

Management

Coach Helfer on Stephens:

"Travis is the type of player who is always under control. He has great perimeter shooting skills and at 6'5, he is a very difficult match-up"

***At SPSU:** After completing first year at SPSU ... Averaged 6 points and 2 rebounds per game ... had career highs of 19 points and 6 reb's vs. Berry College.

***High School:** Played for Coach Ron Bradley at Loganville High School ...

Most Valuable Player during his senior year ... teams won regional championship twice .. Won "best effort" award twice ... Who's who among American High School students ... Honor Roll.

***Previous School:** Played past two seasons for Gerald Cox at Coastal Georgia Community College ... won the most improved player award ... team Most Valuable Player award during his soph. year ... Dean's list student.

***Personal:** Son of John and Ginger Stephens .. sister Wendy recently graduated from Georgia State .. sister Allison is a ninth grader at Loganville High School ... Hobbies include swimming and playing basketball

Year	Games	Field Goal			3 pt FG			Free Throws			Rebounds			PF	FO	A	TO	BL	ST	Pts	Ave		
		Play	Start	Md	Att	%	Md	Att	%	Md	Att	%	Off									Def	Ttl
1999-00	35	8	70	149	.469	32	79	.405	37	51	.725	25	39	64	1.8	45	2	41	44	3	32	210	6.0

#52 Adama Fall

6-5 • 195 • Senior • Forward • Dakar, Senegal

Electrical Engineering Technology

Coach Helfer on Fall:

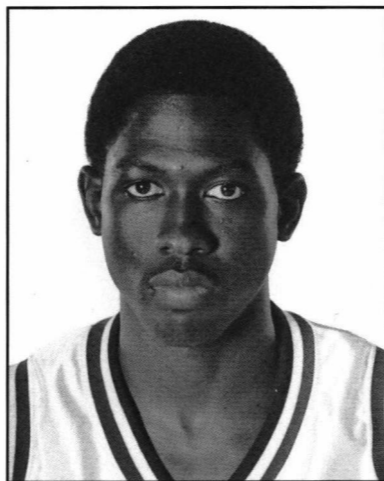
"Adama is extremely smart and has a great understanding of the game. He can defend all 5 positions and that versatility should help us throughout the year."

***At SPSU:** Played in 34 of 35 games last season... Averaged 2 ppg and 3.4 rpg... Scored a career high 9 points against Georgia Southwestern in 1998-99 season... Pulled down career high of 7 rebounds, 5 times, in 999-2000 season... Gordon Martin Academic Scholarship recipient.

***High School:** Did not play high school basketball. Excelled in soccer.

***Personal:** Son of Sega Fall and Fatou Diop... Born June 29, 1975 in Dakar, Senegal... Father played collegiately in France... Grew up playing soccer in native Senegal... Did not begin playing basketball until the age of 16... Hobbies include swimming.

Year	Games	FIELD GOAL			3 PT FG			FREE THROWS			REBOUNDS			PF	FO	A	TO	BL	ST	Pts	Av.		
		PLAY	START	MD	ATT	%	MD	ATT	%	MD	ATT	%	OFF									DEF	TTL
99-00	34	0	28	82	.341	0	2	.000	8	30	.267	44	73	117	3.4	50	1	36	41	14	37	64	1.9
98-99	32	0	19	52	.365	0	1	.000	21	39	.538	18	53	71	2.2	76	2	25	29	24	22	59	1.8
97-98	29	2	48	84	.571	1	4	.250	20	39	.513	39	68	107	3.7	73	2	22	36	17	23	117	4.0
TOTALS	95	2	95	218	.436	1	7	.143	49	108	.454	101	194	295	3.1	199	5	83	106	55	82	240	2.5



#20 D'Juan Neal

6-3 • 180 • Junior • Guard • Stone Mountain, GA

Industrial Engineering Tech

Coach Helfer on Neal:

"D'Juan is our most vocal player on the team. He understands the game and how to lead his teammates. That will be crucial to our success this year. He is very athletic and will usually draw the most difficult defensive assinment each night."

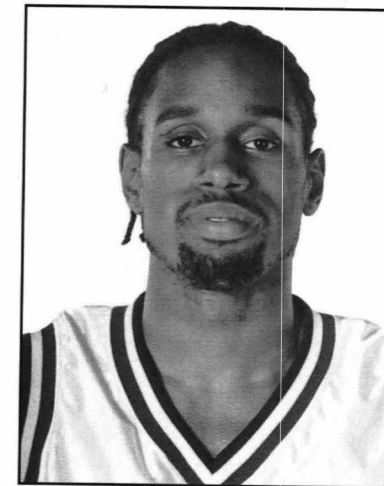
***At SPSU:** Averaged 6 points and 3 rebounds in his 1st season with the Hornets.... Had career highs of 16 points at AUM and 8 rebounds at Huntingdon College in 1999-2000

***High School:** Played for Coach Stu Vetter at St. John's at Prospect Hall... School recorded a record of 50-1 in his two years there... Team was ranked in the Top 5 in the country at the end of his junior... Won the National - USA Today & Associated Press - Championship in 1998... First Team All-City... McDonald's All American Honorable Mention

***Previous School:** Played 1998-99 season for Coach Jeff Capel at Old Dominion University

***Personal:** Son of Andrea Neal... Born on March 17, 1980 in Springfield, Massachusetts... Listed his biggest fan and best friend as his mother and pop.

Year	Games	Field Goal			3 pt FG			Free Throws			Rebounds			PF	FO	A	TO	BL	ST	Pts	Ave		
		Play	Start	Md	Att	%	Md	Att	%	Md	Att	%	Off									Def	Ttl
1999-00	34	15	65	148	.439	7	22	.318	61	98	.622	41	51	92	2.7	97	4	79	68	11	64	198	5.8



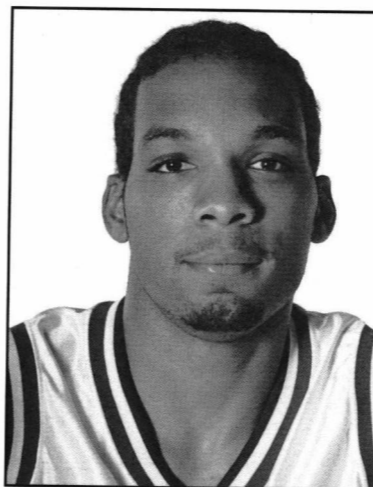
#24 Duwand Jackson

6-4 • 200 • Jr. • Forward • Stone Mountain, Ga.

Industrial Engineering Tech

Coach Helfer on Jackson:

"Duwand is our best all-around player and he has proved that already. He is very strong and can post or drive almost any match-up. He also has a soft shooting touch from the perimeter and will be a major factor in our success this year."



***At SPSU:** Completed exceptional 1st season at SPSU.... Led the Hornets with averages of 15.7 points and nearly 6 rebounds a game... Had career

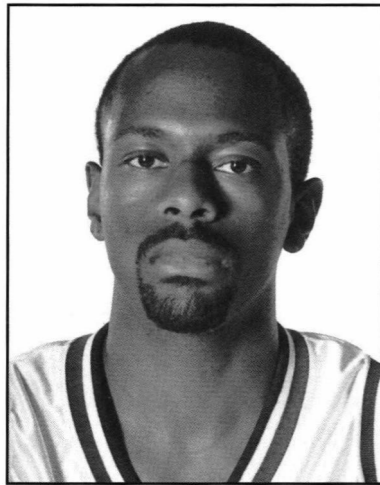
highs of 31 points at Piedmont College and 11 rebounds twice at Brewton Parker College and Faulkner University... Scored in double figures in 33 of 35 games... Named NAIA Division I Honorable Mention All-American as a soph... Named to the GACC All-conference 1st team in 1999-00.

***High School:** Played for Coach Carter Wilson at Tucker High School... Averaged 16 ppg and 8 rpg... All-Decalb County... Player of the Month in January... Voted Best All-Around player.

***Previous School:** Played for Coach Robert Pritchett at Atlanta Metro Comm. College... Avg. 7 ppg.

***Personal:** Son of Dwight and Deborah Jackson... Born on January 8, 1980... Hobbies include video games and playing basketball.

Year	Games	Field Goal			3 pt FG			Free Throws			Rebounds			PF	FO	A	TO	BL	ST	Pts	Ave		
		Play	Start	Md	Att	%	Md	Att	%	Md	Att	%	Off									Def	Ttl
99-00	35	28	200	450	.444	56	139	.403	93	129	.721	74	128	202	5.8	98	4	62	80	9	91	549	15.7



30 Duriel Coleman

6'2 • Junior • Guard • Austin, Texas

Management

Coach Helfer on Coleman:

"Duriel is multi-talented guard who can play both the 1 and 2 for us. He is one of the top 3 pointer shooters in the conference and will be a guy we look for in tough situations."

***At SPSU:** Completed 1st season at SPSU with averages of 13 points per game and 3.3 rebounds...Had career highs of 24 points versus Faulkner University and had double-digit assists in 4 games...Second on team in scoring and led the Hornets in assists..

***High School:** Played for Coach David Sisson at Pflugerville High School...Averaged 22ppg, 4 rpg, 5 apg during his senior year...First Team All-District...Academic All-District Team...All Central Texas Team...Overall 3.1 GPA

***Previous School:** Played for Coach Richard Dalton at Beulah Heights College...Averaged 16 ppg

***Personal:** Son of Charles and Linda Coleman...Born on February 5, 1975...Father played semi-pro basketball in the Air Force...Mom played basketball at Grambling State University and graduated Cum Ladde...Has twin 19 month old sisters, Kayla and Jayla...Hobbies include watching and playing basketball and reading.

Year	Play	Start	Field Goal			3 pt FG			Free Throws			Rebounds			PF	FO	A	TO	BL	ST	Pts	Ave	
			Md	Att	%	Md	Att	%	Md	Att	%	Off	Def	Ttl									Ave
1999-00	35	28	131	314	.417	65	174	.373	134	169	.793	31	84	115	3.3	64	0	159	88	3	85	455	13.0

#32 Mike Benson

6-2 • 185 • Junior • Guard • Atlanta, GA

Computer Engineering Technology

Coach Helfer on Benson:

"Mike plays the game with emotion and energy. That type of player usually becomes contagious and other players end up following his lead. He is an excellent defender and uses athleticism to his advantage."

***At SPSU:** Completed his second season with the Hornets...Averaged 2.2 points per game and 1 rebound during the year.

***HIGH SCHOOL:** Played for Coach Kirby Lamb at Creekside High School...Holds the school record for most assists in a single game (15)...Member of National Honor Society, Beta Club, and Student Government...Honor Roll all four years...4.0 overall GPA...Top 10% of class...Earned 7 varsity letters (3 cross country, 2 basketball, 1 track, and 1 baseball)

***PERSONAL:** Son of Eddie and Norma Benson...Born on January 16, 1980 in Atlanta, Georgia...Brother Marcus played basketball at Brewton-Parker College...Hobbies include collecting sports cards, reading books by Donald Goines.

Year	Play	Start	FIELD GOAL			3 PT FG			FREE THROWS			REBOUNDS			PF	FO	A	TO	BL	ST	Pts	Ave	
			Md	Att	%	Md	Att	%	Md	Att	%	Off	Def	Ttl									Ave
98-99	26	0	13	25	.520	2	4	.500	5	9	.556	8	20	28	1.1	30	1	18	11	0	10	33	1.3
99-00	29	0	20	59	.338	9	28	.321	15	21	.714	11	18	29	1.0	19	0	16	13	3	17	64	2.2
TOTALS	55	0	33	84	.393	11	32	.344	20	30	.666	19	38	57	1.0	49	1	34	24	3	27	97	1.8

#33 Antonio Graham

6-6 • 235 • Junior • Center • Atlanta, GA

Industrial Engineering Tech

Coach Helfer on Graham:

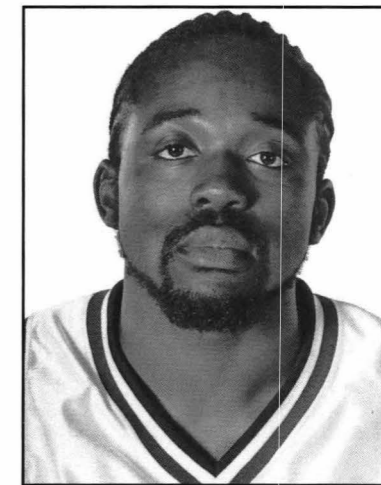
"We added Antonio to our inside because we wanted a true physical presence and he brings just that. He is very strong and he is one of the hardest working players that I have ever coached."

***At SPSU:** 1st season at SPSU.

***Previous School:** Transferred to SPSU from Morris Brown College...Named most improved player and Rebounder of the Year.

***High School:** Played for Coach Alfred Ogden at Johnson High School...Received the Coach's Award in both basketball and cross country...Named MVP after his senior season...Received Hustle Award, Rebound Award, and Defensive Award during senior year...Named All-State Honorable Mention...Graduated 22 out of 300 students...Honor Roll...French Club...Math Club...Who's Who among American Students...Participated in cross country and track

***Personal:** Son of Greg and Patricia Williams...Born September 10, 1979 in Savannah, Georgia...Has 4 sisters...Has a 5 month old son...Nicknamed "Conan"...Favorite players include Karl Malone, Dennis Rodman, and Charles Barkley...Inspired most by his mother and son...Goals include winning a national championship, being successful in school, and with raising his son...Hobbies include basketball, video games, lifting weights, and playing with his son.



#42 Austin Larkin

6-8 • 215 • Junior-Forward • Atlanta, GA

Management

Coach Helfer on Larkin:

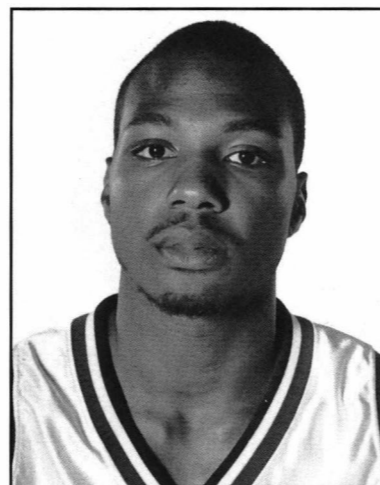
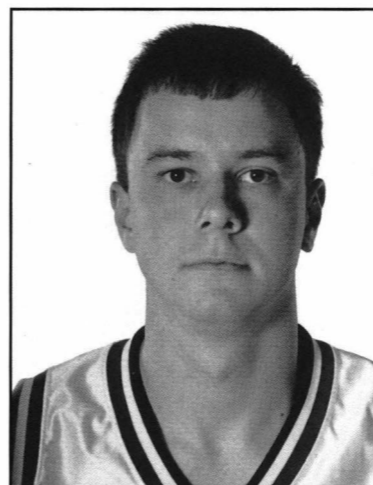
"Austin is very talented on the offensive end of the floor. He has a good understanding of the game and can really score from different areas of the floor. At 6'8, he will be tough to defend because he can shoot it from 3 point range."

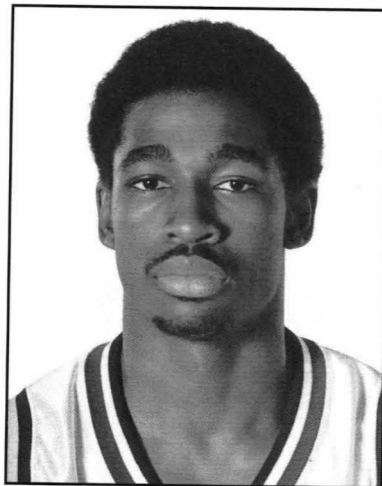
***At SPSU:** 1st season at SPSU.

***Previous School:** Transferred to SPSU from Coastal Georgia Community College...Ranked as a top 40 JUCO player in the country...Averaged 22 points and 8.5 rebounds per game during his sophomore season.

***High School:** Played for Coach Kerry Sandifer at Lakeside High School...Played in the State Finals...DeKalb County Player of the Week 3 times...Honor Roll student...Member of Future Business Leaders of America...Perfect attendance throughout high school.

***Personal:** Son of Tim Larkin...Born on November 11, 1978 in Boulder, Colorado...Has one brother, Tim and one sister, Rita...Future plans are to start own business.





#22 Ruben Bush

6-1 • 180 • Sophomore-Guard • Springfield, MA
Undeclared

Coach Helfer on Bush:

"Rueben brings another level of athleticism to our team. he can score off the dribble, but can also pull-up and make the jumper. He will add depth to our backcourt and has a chance to develop into a great player here at SPSU."

*At SPSU: 1st season at SPSU.

***Previous School:** Transferred to SPSU from the University of New Hampshire...Started 8 games for UNH last year

***High School:** Played for Coach Gene Eggleston at Cathedral High School in Springfield, Massachusetts and Coach David Godin at Suffield Academy in Suffield, Connecticut... At Cathedral, named All-Western Mass 1st team, All-league, USA Today All-USA Honorable Mention and averaged 19 points, 6 rebounds in Junior year...Senior year, averaged 22 points, 6 rebounds, and 4 assists in being named USA Today All-USA Honorable Mention for the second straight year...Scored total of 1060 points during senior

***Personal:** Son of Ruben and Dorothy Bush...Born on June 23, 1980 in Springfield, Massachusetts...Has one brother, Landon...Family means the most to him...Goals are to win a national championship...Favorite athlete is Michael Jordan.

50 Quentin Wilson

6'7 • 220 • Soph • Center • Stone Mountain, Ga.
Computer Engineering Technology

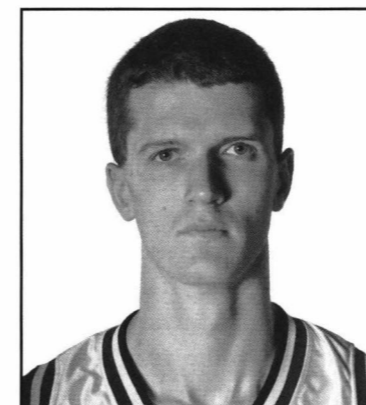
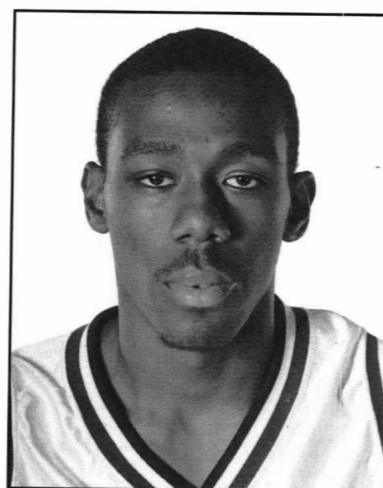
Coach Helfer on Wilson:

"Quentin has improved each year he has been at SPSU. Redshirting last year helped him because he spent most of the time in the weight room. He is the type of post player that does all the things most players don't want to do. He's very scrappy and determined."

***At SPSU:** Redshirted this past season...Played in 22 games during freshman season...Averaged 6 ppg and 3 rpg...Shot 57% from the field...Scored a career high of 18 points against Kennesaw State in the Valdosta Tournament.

***High School:** Played for Coach Charles Parks at North Springs High School...Was on the honor roll all 4 years...Received all-conference honors during his senior year.

***Personal:** Son of Stewart and Darlene Wilson...Born January 8, 1980 in Atlanta, Georgia...Father played football at Morehouse College...Has two sisters...One of his greatest experiences is witnessing his niece being born.



#54 Leho Kraav

6'10 • 215 • Soph • Forward • Tallinn, Estonia
Computer Science

Coach Helfer on Kraav:

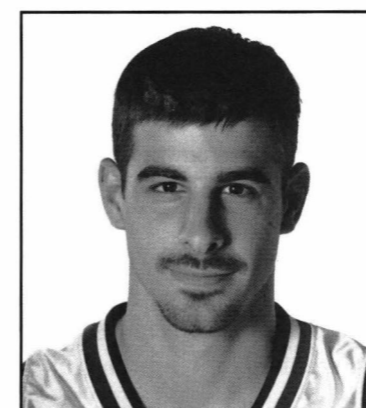
"Leho has excellent fundamentals and a true understanding of the game. He has very good hands and anticipates very well. He needs to add some strength, but that will come and he will have a nice career here."

***At SPSU:** 1st season at SPSU.

***High School:** Attended Tallinn Secondary Science School in Tallinn, Estonia...Participated in soccer and table tennis...Received Letter of Recommendation upon graduation...Received honors in English.

***Previous School:** Attended Kent State University this past season. Redshirted for the basketball season...Made Dean's List this past year.

***Personal:** Son of Lembit and Maire Kraav...Born on November 4, 1979 in Tallinn, Estonia...Has one 13 year old sister, Marje-Helena...Hobbies include traveling the world, music, and table tennis...Has goals of working hard every day, knowing when to relax, doing things right the first time, learning from mistakes, and to always remain positive.



#34 Brian Kulich

6-4 • 185 • Sophomore-Forward • Dallas, GA
Computer Science

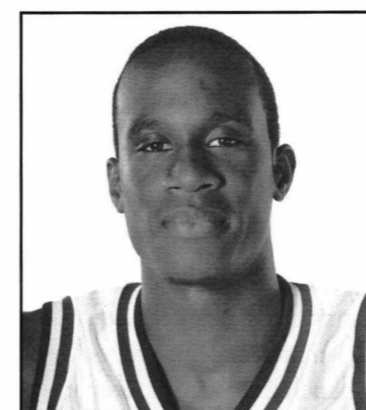
Coach Helfer on Kulich:

"Brian is a no-nonsense type of player. He will do whatever we want him to do to help the team win. He plays extremely hard at all times."

***At SPSU:** 1st season at SPSU.

***High School:** Played for Coach Kuss at East Paulding High School...Received the Rebound Award during senioryear...Averaged a double-double in points and rebounds...Named to All-County Team after senior season...Participated in Track and Soccer teams.

***Personal:** Son of Steve and Kristine Kulich...Born on May 13, 1978 in Minnesota...Hobbies include golf, tennis, and football...Goals include being the best that he can be...Lists his family as most important people in his life...Has one sister, Lori.



#14 Kendrick Jones

6-2 • 175 • Freshman-Guard • Duluth, GA
Civil Engineering Technology

Coach Helfer on Jones:

"Kendrick will benefit from redshirting this year. He is a good guard, but will need to add strength this year. He is an excellent perimeter shooter and seems to have a knack for the ball."

***At SPSU:** 1st season at SPSU.

***High School:** Played for Coach Joe Morella at Duluth High School...Team finished regional runner-up...Named player of the month in the county...Led team with 19 points, 6 rebounds, 4 steals, and 3 assists during senior year...All County 1st Team.

***Personal:** Son of General and Rosalie Jones...Born on March 27, 1982 in North Carolina...Has 2 brothers...Lists Michael Jordan, Allen Iverson, and Vince Carter as favorite basketball players.

YEAR	PLAY	START	FIELD GOAL			3 PT FG			FREE THROWS			REBOUND			PF	FO	A	TO	BL	ST	Pts	AVE	
			MD	ATT	%	MD	ATT	%	MD	ATT	%	OFF	DEF	TOT									AVE
98-99	22	0	52	91	.571	1	1	1.00	25	42	.595	26	37	63	2.9	27	1	4	12	10	4	130	5.9

The Georgia-Alabama-Carolina Conference.....

Southern Polytechnic State University is a member of the Georgia-Alabama-Carolina Conference (GACC). The conference is represented by both private and public institutions located in either Georgia, Alabama or South Carolina.

In Men's Basketball, the conference has 10 competing member institutions. In Georgia, the conference is represented by Brewton-Parker College, Emmanuel College, Georgia Southwestern State University, North Georgia College and State University, Reinhardt College, Shorter College, and SPSU.

Representing the state of Alabama are Auburn University at Montgomery and Faulkner University. In South Carolina, Southern Wesleyan is the lone member school.

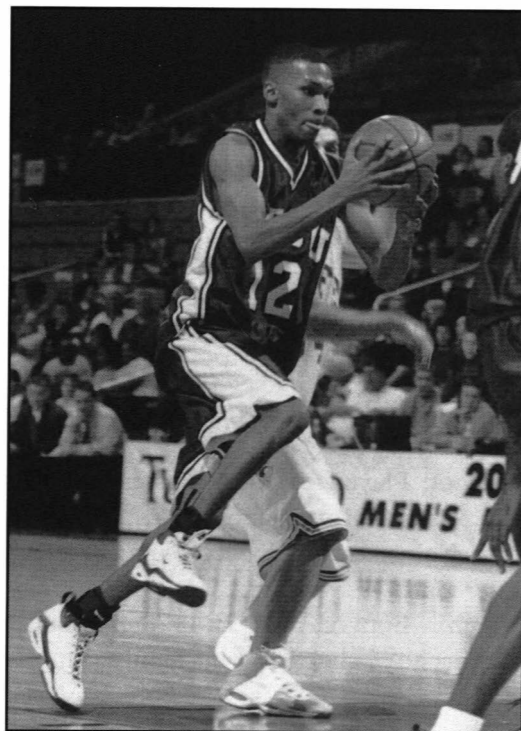
The conference headquarters are located in Dahlonega, Georgia. The GACC commissioner is William E. Ensley. Bill Ensley is in an elite group of individuals having been inducted into the NAIA National Hall of Fame both as a player and a coach.

The conference was started in 1949 as the Georgia Intercollegiate Athletics Conference with six member schools - Oglethorpe University, Berry College, Valdosta State University, North Georgia College, Piedmont College, and Georgia Southern College. Only North Georgia remains as a member of the GACC.

The conference became the Georgia Athletic Conference in 1980 and remained under this name until 1998 when it came under its current name, the Georgia-Alabama-Carolina Conference.

The GACC has worked hard over the years to have member schools that live by an equally strong educational and athletic base.

Since the conference's beginning and affiliation with the NAIA, 12 GACC schools have claimed National Championships, nine athletes have claimed individual national titles; 15 teams have finished as National Runner-up; 157 student-athletes have received All-America Selections; and there have been over 500 All-American Scholar Athletes.



The NAIA....

SPSU is a member of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA).

The NAIA is a national organization with more than 300 institutional members that serve more than 57,000 student-athletes in North America. Its current national office is located in Tulsa, Ok; however the national office is planning a relocation in the year 2001. The final site relocation is yet to be determined.

The purpose of the NAIA is to promote the education and development of students through intercollegiate athletic participation. Member institutions, although varied and diverse, share a common commitment to high standards and to the principle that participation in athletics serves as an integral part of the total educational process.

Throughout the history of the NAIA, strong leadership and direction has been provided for all aspects of intercollegiate athletics. The NAIA has stepped forward as a leader across the country and has not backed down from instituting change when needed. The organization tackled racial integration in the 1940's and 50's and established its first women's championship program in 1980.

The NAIA has a primary governing body, the Council of President's. This body is comprised of 32 presidents of both college's and universities across the United States.

Within its structure, the NAIA embraces the concept of the student and recognizes the importance of the individuality of each member institution, the value of conference and regional structure, and the benefits of membership in a national association.

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The National Tournament for Men's Basketball will be held in Tulsa, Ok this year. The dates for the tournament are March 14-20.

2000-01 OPPONENTS

Auburn University-Montgomery <i>Jan. 2 @ SPSU • Feb. 19 @ AUM</i> Location Montgomery, Ala. Enrollment 5,440 Nickname Senators Colors Teal & Orange Head Coach Larry Chapman Affiliation NAIA Div. I Athletic Phone (334) 244-3541	Berry College <i>Nov. 17 @ SPSU • Dec. 2 @ Shorter</i> Location Mt. Berry Ga. Enrollment 1,700 Nickname Vikings Colors Navy & Silver Head Coach Todd Brooks Affiliation NAIA Div. I Athletic Phone (706) 236-1721	Brewton Parker College <i>Jan. 8 @ BPC • Feb. 5 @ SPSU</i> Location Mt. Vernon Ga. Enrollment 1,500 Nickname Barons Colors Orange & Blue Head Coach Steve Barker Affiliation NAIA Div. I Athletic Phone (912) 583-3255
Carver Bible College <i>Dec. 28 @ SPSU</i> Location Atlanta, Ga. Enrollment NA Nickname NA Colors NA Head Coach Martin Carter Sr. Affiliation Independent Athletic Phone (404) 527-4526	Emmanuel College <i>Jan. 1 @ EC • Feb. 22 @ SPSU</i> Location Franklin Springs Ga. Enrollment 900 Nickname Lions Colors Gold & Blue Head Coach Dr. Jerry Boone Affiliation NCAA III Athletic Phone (706) 245-3139	Faulkner University <i>Jan. 20 @ SPSU • Feb. 17 @ Faulkner</i> Location Montgomery, Ala. Enrollment 2,348 Nickname Eagles Colors Blue, Gray, White Head Coach Jim Sanderson Affiliation NAIA Div. I Athletic Phone (334) 386-7148
Georgia Southwestern Univ. <i>Jan. 6 @ GSU • Feb. 3 @ SPSU</i> Location Americus, Ga. Enrollment 2,600 Nickname Hurricanes Colors Navy & Gold Head Coach Randolph Barksdale Affiliation NAIA Div. I Athletic Phone (912) 931-2222	Life University <i>Jan. 21 @ SPSU</i> Location Marietta, Ga. Enrollment 4,200 Nickname Running Eagles Colors Green & White Head Coach John Barrett Affiliation NAIA Div. I Athletic Phone (770) 426-2765	North Georgia College <i>Jan. 15 @ NGC • Feb. 12 @ SPSU</i> Location Dahlonega, Ga. Enrollment 3,400 Nickname Saints Colors Royal Blue & White Head Coach Randy J. Dunn Affiliation NAIA Div. I Athletic Phone (706) 864-1758
Oakwood College <i>Jan. 27 @ Oakwood</i> Location Huntsville, Ala. Enrollment NA Nickname NA Colors NA Head Coach James Roddy Affiliation Independent Athletic Phone (256) 726-731	Southern Wesleyan University <i>Jan. 11 @ SPSU • Feb. 8 @ SWU</i> Location Central, S.C. Enrollment 1,460 Nickname Warriors Colors Blue & Gold Head Coach Charles Wimphrie Affiliation NAIA Div. I Athletic Phone (864) 639-2453 ex. 359	Pensacola Christian College <i>Nov. 10 @ PCC • Jan. 13 @ SPSU</i> Location Pensacola, Fla. Enrollment 3,500 Nickname Eagles Colors Royal & White Head Coach Mark Goetsch Affiliation NCCAA Div. I Athletic Phone (904) 478-8496
Reinhardt College <i>Jan. 29 @ RC • Feb. 26 @ SPSU</i> Location Waleska, Ga. Enrollment 1,000 Nickname Eagles Colors Royal Blue & Gold Head Coach Gerald Sharpe Affiliation NAIA Div. I Athletic Phone (770) 720-5912	Shorter College <i>Jan. 18 @ SPSU • Feb. 15 @ Shorter</i> Location Rome, Ga. Enrollment 1,500 Nickname Hawks Colors Royal Blue & White Head Coach Ricky Williams Affiliation NAIA Div. I Athletic Phone (706) 233-7347	Ohio Dominican <i>Dec. 30 @ SPSU</i> Location Columbus, Ohio Enrollment 1,941 Nickname Panthers Colors Black, Gold, White Head Coach Dan Priest Affiliation NAIA Div. II Athletic Phone (614) 251-4537
Trevecca Nazarene University <i>Dec. 5 @ TNU</i> Location Nashville, Tn. Enrollment 1,400 Nickname Trojans Colors Purple & White Head Coach Sam Harris Affiliation NAIA Div. I Athletic Phone (615) 248-1271	Voorhees College <i>Nov. 14 @ SPSU • Nov. 27 @ Voorhees</i> Location Denmark, S.C. Enrollment 960 Nickname Tigers Colors Blue & White Head Coach Shawn Walker Affiliation NAIA Div. I Athletic Phone (803) 793-3351	Possible Tournament Opponents Piedmont/Huntingdon <i>Nov. 18 @ SPSU</i> Location Demorest, Ga. Nickname Lions Head Coach Chris Faulkner Affiliation NCCAA Div. III Location Montgomery Ala. Nickname Hawks Head Coach Hugh (Buzz) Phillips Affiliation NAIA Div. I

1999-2000 Statistics and Results



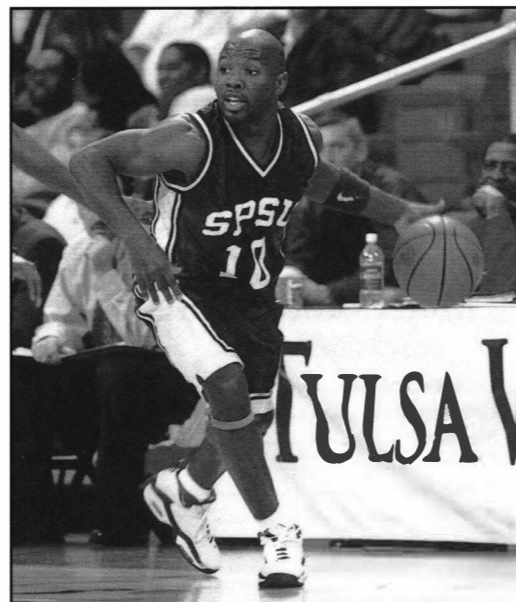
A LOOK BACK AT TULSA.....

The Southern Polytechnic State University Men's Basketball Team reached unbelievable heights during the 1999-2000 campaign. For the first time in 13 years, the Runnin' Hornets went to Tulsa, OK to compete in the NAIA Division I National Championship. After finishing the regular season at 24-6, SPSU went on to win the Georgia-Alabama-Carolina Conference tournament. The Hornets earned one of the GACC automatic bids to the Nationals and were on their way to compete for the National Championship.

The Runnin' Hornets were rewarded for their accomplishments during the regular season by receiving the 16th seed in Tulsa. A total of 32 teams compete for the championship. SPSU was matched in the first round against Point Loma Nazarene, located in San Diego, CA. The Hornets started quickly and built a 23 point halftime lead. In the second half, cold shooting brought back PLN and the Hornet's lead was only 6 with 5:00 minutes to play. However, SPSU regained their momentum and won 74-65. It was the first time a Hornet team had won a game at the Nationals since 1982.

SPSU had the daunting task of playing the #1 seed, Life University, in the second round. The Hornets and Life are located about 1/4 mile from each other in Marietta, GA. It is a natural rivalry because of location; however, with a National Championship involved, the rivalry only grew bigger. Life proved why they were ranked #1 in the country by handling the Hornets and defeating them by a score of 90-65.

"I was very pleased with the way our guys competed in Tulsa. It's a great accomplishment to make it to the round of 16," said SPSU Head Coach Mike Helfer. "Hopefully we learned a lot about what it takes to continue to advance. The experience should help us this year, but we must remember that it doesn't guarantee us anything."



#	Name	G	GS	Min.	avg.	FG	FGA	%	REBOUNDS				fta	ft%	orb	drb	tot	avg.	pf	fo	a	to	bl	st	pts	av.
									3fg	3fga	3fg%	ft														
10	A.Shellman	34	6	652	19.1	110	277	.397	30	85	.353	67	80	.838	29	36	65	1.91	77	2	56	70	1	55	317	9.3
12	S.Washington	35	32	754	21.5	136	292	.466	68	159	.428	53	83	.638	42	57	99	2.83	77	3	49	63	13	55	393	11.2
20	D. Neal	34	19	629	18.5	65	148	.439	7	22	.318	61	98	.622	41	51	92	2.70	97	4	79	68	11	64	198	5.8
24	D. Jackson	35	30	897	25.6	200	450	.444	56	139	.403	93	129	.721	74	128	202	5.77	98	4	62	80	9	91	549	15.7
30	D. Coleman	35	26	876	25.0	128	314	.407	65	174	.373	134	169	.793	31	84	115	3.29	62	0	159	88	3	85	455	13.0
32	M. Benson	29	0	206	7.1	20	59	.339	9	28	.321	15	21	.714	11	18	29	1.00	20	0	16	13	3	17	64	2.4
33	C. Ford	35	35	743	21.2	133	257	.517	2	7	.286	101	138	.739	77	92	169	4.83	102	4	22	57	12	30	369	10.5
34	A. Davis	18	0	136	7.5	28	59	.475	7	23	.304	6	8	.750	14	17	31	1.72	21	0	5	12	3	7	67	3.7
40	P. Mattis	34	29	555	17.3	68	136	.500	0	1	.000	35	70	.500	46	77	123	3.84	84	2	17	49	22	22	171	5.0
42	B. Walton	9	9	192	21.3	45	80	.563	5	16	.313	20	24	.833	21	44	65	7.22	23	1	7	17	15	4	115	12.8
44	T. Stephens	35	7	485	13.8	70	149	.469	33	79	.417	37	51	.725	25	39	64	1.83	45	2	41	44	3	32	210	6.0
52	A. Fall	34	2	581	17.1	28	82	.341	0	2	.000	8	30	.267	44	73	117	3.44	50	1	36	41	14	37	64	1.9
54	L. Simmons	22	3	240	10.9	37	77	.481	0	0	.000	20	38	.526	43	52	95	4.39	53	3	7	18	21	12	94	4.3
		Team Rebounds..... 81 85 166																								
SPSU		35		6946		1068	2380	.449	282	735	.384	650	939	.692	579	853	1432	40.9	809	26	556	620	130	511	3066	87.6
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1999-2000 Season Results

Date	Opponent	Result	High Scorer	High Rebounder
11/12	Carver Bible College	W 141-48	(29) Jackson Duwand	(13) Simmons Leo
11/16	Huntigdon College	W 89-72	(23) Jackson Duwand	(8) Ford Chauncey
11/20	Kennesaw St. Uvi.	L 85-87	(14) Jackson Duwand	(5) Stephens Travis
11/23	Berry College	W 83-75	(19) Stephens Travis	(8) Walton Branton
11/27	LaGrange College	W 102-66	(22) Coleman Duriel	(7) Fall Adama
12/2	Piedmont College	W 87-78	(16) Jackson Duwand	(7) Walton Branton
12/4	North Ga. College	W 102-79	(21) Shellman Antwan	(8) Walton Branton
12/6	Life College	L 91-98	(32) Walton Branton	(13) Walton Branton
12/8	Carver Bible College	W 122-45	(22) Simmons Leo	(11) Simmons Leo
12/16	University Tenn-Chatt.	W 73-69	(22) Jackson Duwand	(6) Ford Chauncey, B. Walton
12/29	Grace Bible College\$	W 91-54	(22) Shellman Antwan	(9) Ford Chauncey
12/30	Tiffin University&	W 78-73	(20) Jackson Duwand	(6) Washington, Jackson, Mattis
1/6	Brewton Parker College*	L 67-88	(16) Washington Shuron	(8) Jackson Duwand
1/8	Ga. Southwestern Univ.*	W 75-73	(16) Washington Shuron	(6) Jackson Duwand
1/13	Emmanuel College*	W 79-76	(29) Jackson Duwand	(7) Jackson Duwand
1/15	Southern Wesleyan Univ.*	W 77-60	(22) Jackson Duwand	(8) Coleman Duriel
1/20	Auburn Univ. Montgomery*	W 81-72	(16) Neal D'Juan	(6) Mattis Perry, Fall Adama
1/22	Faulkner Univ.*	L 63-67	(15) Shellman Antwan	(7) Ford Chauncey, Fall Adama
1/24	Shorter College*	W 99-83	(27) Jackson Duwand	(5) Fall Adama
1/27	LaGrange College*	W 103-72	(19) Jackson Duwand	(8) Jackson Duwand
2/3	Piedmont College*	W 96-88	(31) Jackson Duwand	(8) Jackson Duwand
2/5	North Ga. College*	W 90-85	(31) Ford Chauncey	(13) Ford Chauncey
2/10	Brewton Parker College*	L 64-67	(14) Jackson Duwand	(11) Jackson Duwand
2/12	Ga. Southwestern Univ.*	W 70-61	(13) Jackson Duwand	(9) Jackson Duwand
2/14	Huntigdon College	W 107-82	(18) Coleman Duriel	(10) Ford Chauncey
2/17	Emmanuel College*	L 83-88	(22) Jackson Duwand	(7) Jackson Duwand
2/20	Southern Wesleyan Univ.*	W 101-65	(25) Washington Shuron	(9) Simmons Leo
2/24	Auburn Univ. Montgomery*	W 100-70	(21) Shellman Antwan	(7) Simmons Leo
2/26	Faulkner Univ.*	W 83-78	(30) Jackson Duwand	(7) Wahington Shuron, Jackson
2/28	Shorter College*	W 85-76	(22) Coleman Duriel	(8) Ford Chauncey
3/3	Shorter College#	W 105-73	(20) Coleman Duriel	(8) Jackson Duwand
3/6	Ga. Southwestern Univ.#	W 94-74	(16) Washington Shuron	(7) Fall Adama
3/7	Faulkner Univ.#	W 84-72	(24) Coleman Duriel	(11) Jackson Duwand
3/14	Point Loma Nazarene@	W 74-65	(23) Coleman Duriel	(8) Jackson Duwand
3/16	Life University@	L 65-90	(18) Washington Shuron	(6) Mattis Perry

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	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
All Games	(28-7)	(16-3)	(11-3)	(1-1)
Conference	(18-4)	(10-2)	(8-2)	(0-0)
Non-Conference	(10-3)	(6-1)	(3-1)	(1-1)

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INDIVIDUAL - SEASON

Most Points - 761, Wilbur Jordan, 1997-98
 Highest Scoring Avg. - 23.8, Wilbur Jordan, 1997-98
 Most Field Goals - 257, Wilbur Jordan, 1997-98
 Most Field Goals Att. - 548, Wilbur Jordan, 1997-98
 Highest FG% - 57.1%, Quentin Wilson, 1998-99
 Most 3 pt. FG Made - 101, Wilbur Jordan, 1997-98
 Most 3 pt. FG Att. - 264, Wilbur Jordan, 1997-98
 Highest 3 pt. FG% - 42.7%, Shuron Washington, 199-00
 Most Free Throws Made - 146, Wilbur Jordan, 1997-98
 Most Free Throws Att. - 175, Wilbur Jordan, 1997-98
 Highest FT% - 83.4%, Wilbur Jordan, 1997-98
 Highest Rebound Average - 5.8, Duwand Jackson, 1999-00
 Most Assists - 159, Duriel Coleman, 1999-00
 Highest Assist Avg. - 4.54, Duriel Coleman, 1999-00
 Most Steals - 86, Duwand Jackson, 1999-00
 Most Blocked Shots - 29, Leo Simmons, 1998-99

TEAM - SEASON

Most Games Won 28 1999-00
 Most Games Lost 18 1998-99
 Most Points 3150 1999-00
 Highest Scoring Average 90.0 1999-00
 Most Field Goals Made 1068 1999-00
 Most Field Goals Att. 2380 1999-00
 Highest Field Goal % 47.0% 1997-98
 Most 3pt. Field Goals 281 1999-00
 Most 3pt. Field Goals Att. 735 1999-00
 Highest 3pt. FG% 38.2% 1999-00
 Most Free Throws 650 1999-00
 Most Free Throws Att. 939 1999-00
 Highest Free Throw % 69.9% 1999-00
 Most Rebounds 1442 1999-00
 Most Assists 556 1999-00
 Most Steals 430 1999-00
 Most Blocks 130 1999-00

INDIVIDUAL - SINGLE GAME

Most Points - 40, Wilbur Jordan, vs. Allen Univ., 1/28/98
 Most Field Goals Made - 14, Wil Jordan vs. Allen Univ. 1/28/98
 14 Wilbur Jordan vs. Southern Wesleyan, 2/5/98
 14 Carlos Bermudez vs. Berry, 11/20/97
 Most Field Goals Att. - 28, Wil Jordan vs. Southern Wes. 2/5/98
 28, Wilbur Jordan vs. Piedmont, 2/7/98
 Most 3 pt. Field Goals - 8, Duw. Jackson vs. Piedmont, 2/3/00
 Most 3 pt. FG Att. - 15, Wilbur Jordan vs. Allen Univ., 1/28/98
 Most Free Throws Made - 15, C. Ford vs. N.Georgia, 2/5/00
 Most Rebounds - 15, Carlos Bermudez vs. S. Wesleyan, 11/6/97
 Most Assists - 13, Bryan Swain vs. Allen University, 1/28/98
 Most Steals - 6, Duwand Jackson vs. Berry College, 11/23/99

TEAM - GAME

Most Points - 141, vs. Carver College, 11/12/99
 Most Field Goals Made - 58, vs. Carver College, 11/12/99
 Most Field Goals Att. - 99, vs. Carver College, 11/12/99
 Most 3 pt. Field Goals Made - 15, vs. Huntingdon, 2/14/00
 Most 3 pt. Field Goals Att. - 33, vs. S. Wesleyan, 2/20/00
 Most Free Throws Made - 37, vs. Shorter, 2/28/00
 Most Free Throws Att. - 56, vs. Piedmont, 2/3/00
 Most Rebounds - 62, vs. Carver College, 11/12/99
 Most Assists - 36, vs. Carver College, 12/8/99
 Most Steals - 30, vs. Carver College, 11/12/99
 Most Blocks - 14, vs. Grace College, 12/29/99

The statistics, records, and other team and individual information from years prior to 1997 cannot be located. The SPSU athletic staff would like to express it's apologies to all former Hornet basketball players.

CAREER BASKETBALL RECORDS

SCORING

1. Deon Spear	1997-99	790
2. Wilbur Jordan	1997-98	761
3. Haran Walker	1997-99	50
4. Chauncey Ford	1998-00	571
5. Duwand Jackson	1999-	549
6. David Jones	1997-99	461
7. Duriel Coleman	1999-	455
8. Shuron Washington	1999-	393

REBOUNDING

1. Deon Spear	1997-99	345
2. Adama Fall	1997-	295
3. Chauncey Ford	1998-00	265
4. Leo Simmons	1998-00	213

ASSISTS

1. Bryan Swain	1997-99	301
2. Duriel Coleman	1999-	159
3. Eric Blair	1997-99	154
4. Haran Walker	1997-99	97

STEALS

1. Deon Spear	1997-99	105
2. Eric Blair	1997-99	93
3. Bryan Swain	1997-99	88
4. Duwand Jackson	1999-	87

MOST FIELD GOALS MADE

1. Deon Spear	1997-99	289
2. Haran Walker	1997-99	283
3. Wilbur Jordan	1997-98	257

MOST 3PT. FIELD GOALS MADE

1. Wilbur Jordan	1997-98	101
2. Shuron Washington	1999-	68
3. Haran Walker	1997-99	67

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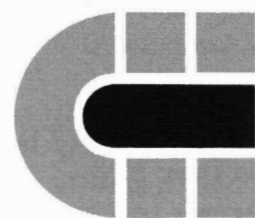


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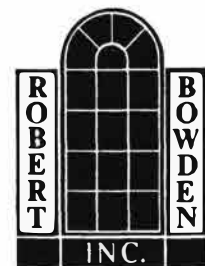
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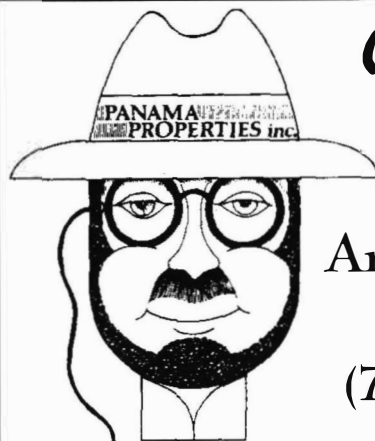
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