

Georgia's **Technology** University

2001-02 SPSU SCHEDULE

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	Nov.	EMBER 7	Wednesday	ALLEN UNIVERSITY	Home	7:30 p.m.
	NOV.	9	Friday	Urbana Univ. Tip-Off Classic (Urbana, Ohio		6/8:00 p.m
		10	Saturday	Urbana Univ. Tip-Off Classic (Urbana, Ohio		2/4:00 p.m
		13	Tuesday	Pensacola Christian College	Away	7:30 p.m.
		16	Friday	ST. XAVIER UNIVERSITY (III.)	Home	7:30 p.m.
	23	3-25	Tilday	SPSU Thanksgiving Tournament	Home	7.50 p.iii.
	20	23	Friday	SPSU v. Trevecca Nazarene (Tenn.)	Home	7:30 p.m.
		24	Saturday	Trevecca Nazarene vs. John Carroll (Ohi		2:00 p.m.
			Outurady	SPSU vs. Berry College	Home	4:00 p.m.
		25	Sunday	Berry College v. John Carroll (Ohio)		4:00 p.m.
		28	Wednesday	Life University	Away	7:30 p.m.
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	Dec.	1	Saturday	Webber University	Home	2:00 p.m.
		8	Saturday	Pensacola Christian College	Home	4:00 p.m.
	2	8-29	·	SPSU Holiday Classic		
		28	Friday	Shorter College v. Allen University		6:00 p.m.
		29	Saturday	SPSU v. Allen University	Home	4:00 p.m.
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	Jan.	3	Thursday	Georgia Southwestern*	Away	7:30 p.m.
		5	Saturday	Brewton-Parker *	Away	2:00 p.m.
_		7	Monday	NORTH GEORGIA COLLEGE*	Home	7:30 p.m.
		10	Thursday	EMMANUEL COLLEGE*	Home	7:30 p.m.
		12	Saturday	SOUTHERN WESLEYAN*	Home	2:00 p.m.
		17	Thursday	ATLANTA CHRISTIAN COLLEGE	Home	7:30 p.m.
		19	Saturday	Shorter College*	Away	2:00 p.m.
		22	Tuesday	REINHARDT COLLEGE*	Home	7:30 p.m.
		24	Thursday	Faulkner University*	Away	7:30 p.m.
		26	Saturday	Auburn University-Montgomery*	Away	2:00 pm
		31	Thursday	GEORGIA SOUTHWESTERN*	Home	7:30 pm
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	reb.	4	Saturday	BREWTON-PARKER COLLEGE*		2:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
		7	Monday Thursday	North Georgia College* Emmanuel College*	Away	7.30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
		9 /	Saturday	Southern Wesleyan*	Away Away	2:00 p.m.
		19	Tuesday	Reinhardt College*	Away Away	7:30 p.m.
		21	Thursday	FAULKNER UNIVERSITY*	Home	7:30 p.m.
	/	23	Saturday	AUBURN-MONTGOMERY*	Home	2:00 p.m.
		23	Saturday	(Alumni Day)	Home	2.00 p.iii.
		25	Monday	SHORTER COLLEGE*	Home	7:30 p.m.
/		25	Monday	OHORIEK GOLLEGE	Tigille	7.50 p.iii.
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	Feb.	27–Ma	rch 2	GACC Tournament (Dahlonega, Ga.)		TBA
		13–19		NAIA National Tournament (Olathe, Kan.		TBA
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^{*}Georgia-Alabama-Carolina Conference
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Southern Polytechnic State Basketball

5P5U at a Glance

Location: Marietta, Ga. Enrollment: 3,700

President: Dr. Lisa Rossbacher

Founded: 1948

Nickname: Runnin' Hornets
Colors: Forest Green and White
Affiliation: NAIA Division I

Conference: Georgia-Alabama-Carolina

Conference (GACC)

Arena/Gym: SPSU Gymnasium Chancellor: Dr. Stephen Portch Athletic Director: Karl Staber AD Phone: (770) 528-7349 Head Coach: Mike Helfer

Coaches' Phone: (770) 528-7360 Record at SPSU: 82-52 (four years) Overall Record: 82-52 (four years)

Assistant Coaches: James LaPointe, Troy Youngs, Eric Blair, Mike McCormack

2000-01 Record: 24-11 **2000-01 GACC Record**: 12-6

2000-01 Post-Season: GACC Tournament champions; NAIA Sweet Sixteen, lost to

Oklahoma Baptist, 74-82 **Lettermen Returning/Lost:** 8/2 **Starters Returning/Lost:** 4/1 **Athletics Phone:** (770) 528-7350 **Team Trainer:** Kerry Gordon

Dean of Students: Barry Birckhead Athletic Secretary: Nancy Fairbanks

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President's Message

Dear Fans and Friends:

I am pleased to extend a warm welcome to Southern Polytechnic State University's fans, our friends and supporters, and our worthy competitors! I always enjoy the opportunity to watch our exciting "Runnin' Hornets" play basketball with such talent. energy, and a fundamental love of the game. They are successful in developing teamwork, their athletic skills, and their competitive spirit. The team's success is evidenced by championship trophies and rings, but their success is far more than what is measured in the win-loss columns. The SPSU 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 the professors who

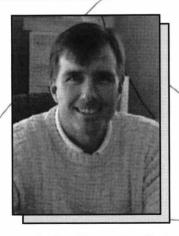


are helping to educate all the students at Southern Polytechnic.

Thank you for your support for our team and our efforts!

> Dr. Lisa A. Rossbacher President Southern Polytechnic State University

Athletic Director's Message



Welcome to Southern Polytechnic State University. I would like to thank you for supporting our defending GACC Tournament Champion Runnin' Hornets. We are very proud of our basketball team and the successes all of our studentathletes have had on and off the court.

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 every day 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 be a proud supporter of SPSU athletics.

> Karl Staber Director of Recreational Sports and Athletics

2001-02 Season Outlook



High expectations are becoming the normal state of affairs these days for those associated with SPSU basketball. That means several things as the Runnin' Hornets head into the 2001-02 season. It means they aren't going to sneak up on any opponents anymore. It means that the level of excitement is soaring around the SPSU campus. It also means that the Hornet program has established itself as a force with which to be reckoned in NAIA baskethall.

"We will have a bull's eve on our chest again this year, but that is something we are getting used to," said fifth-year head coach Mike Helfer. "The success that we have experienced makes our team a target for opponents. In reality, that's where we want our program to be."

That bull's eve is clearly visible when one looks at the pre-season NAIA rankings. SPSU shows up at 14th in those standings, a sure sign that the Hornets have earned some respect at the national level.

After last season Coach Helfer expressed pride in his team and its accomplishments, but also stated he would have liked to see SPSU advance to the next level in the national tournament. The Runnin' Hornets will have another opportunity to do so - but first things come first - and that means a successful showing in the Georgia-Alabama-Carolina Conference and at its post-season tournament.

This year's SPSU squad has a lot of weapons to use in the guest for continued success. With eight of the top 10 players from last season returning, experience will be a strength. In fact, nearly 70 percent of both the team/scoring and rebounding return from last year's team. Four of five players pencilled in as starters this year gained significant starting experience last season. The senior class will provide strong

"Our experience should help us, but we have to make sure we use that experience when we make decisions



Junior Ruben Bush

and plays on the basketball floor," said Coach Helfer. "Our guys have been there and know what it takes to win a cham-

Leading the way will be 6-4 senior Duwand Jackson, a power forward who enters the campaign with 940 career points under his belt. Early in the season he should become the first 1,000-point scorer in the modern era of SPSU basketball. A potential All-America candidate, Jackson averaged 11.2 points and 5.4 rebounds per outing in 2000-01.

The other forward position will likely fall in the hands of junior Ruben Bush. The 6-1 Bush, who started a few games last season, is athletic and very effective off the dribble.

Juniors Leho Kraav and T.J. Watson will provide solid back-up at forward. Kraav came on strong late last season, leading the Hornets in scoring in two of three GACC Tournament games. His averages of 8.2 points and 5.0 rebounds per game were a solid

contribution.

Center duties most likely will fall in the hands of senior Antonio Graham. A physical and rugged player. Graham made great strides developing his play at low post during the off-season. Graham averaged double figures last season (10.2 ppg) and also led the Hornets in rebounding (5.9 rpg).

The backcourt is in capable hands as seniors Duriel Coleman and D'Juan Neal both return with starting experience. Neal, who Coach Helfer calls "a great floor general" is expected to start at the point after averaging 6.7 points and 3.2 assists last year. Coleman, the should-be starter at shooting guard, dished out a total of 115 assists last year (3.3 apg) and scored at a 9.4point clip. A pure three-point shooter, he has netted 130 treys in his career. Senior Mike Benson, a four-year SPSU player, and junior Matt Cogbill will provide depth and see action in the backcourt.

The schedule will be a challenging one for the Runnin' Hornets. In addition to the quality competition in the GACC, which includes defending NAIA national champion Faulkner University. the non-conference portion of the schedule will test SPSU. Three teams that qualified for national tournament play appear on the slate: St. Xavier, Trevecca Nazarene and Life University.

SPSU hosts two tournaments: the Thanksgiving Tournament Nov. 23-25 and the SPSU Holiday Classic Dec. 28-29. The GACC season kicks off at Georgia Southwestern on Jan. 3.

"We want to build on the foundation that has developed from the success of the past two years," summed up Coach Helfer. "It's been a great environment for our players and fans and we would like for that to continue."

So with the tools in place and the plan sketched out, the Runnin' Hornets will head into what hopefully will be another season to remember at SPSU ... but then that's what they've come to



Head Coach Mike Helfer

As Mike Helfer enters his fifth season as the head coach at Southern Polytechnic State University, he does so knowing his teams have raised the collective bar when it comes to SPSU basketball. The SPSU program has reached remarkable heights during Helfer's first four seasons.

After two campaigns in which his teams posted an average 30-34 record. Helfer was in a position to turn the program around with a roster full of players whom he had recruited. The result: SPSU's combined record the last two seasons has been 52-18 (.743).

Success came in a big way during the 1999-2000 season, which was a major turning point for the program. That season's squad won the Georgia-Alabama-Carolina Conference regularseason and tournament titles on the way to a 28-7 record. The Hornets advanced to the "Sweet 16" of the NAIA Division I National Championship. Another highlight was a December win over NCAA Division I member Tennessee-Chattanooga on UTC's home court (73-69).

16" that season was to the eventual national champion, Life University. Helfer

was named the GACC Men's Basketball Conference Coach of the Year for his efforts that season. He also was named the Male Conference Coach of the Year, which includes all of the men's sports in the GACC.

The Hornets continued down the path of success in the 2000-01 season. For the second consecutive year the Hornets recorded more than 20 wins, finishing 24-11. They once again captured the GACC Tournament title and advanced to the "Sweet 16" of the NAIA National Tournament.

"I have always wanted to be a head coach and more importantly, be a head coach who positively affects the lives of my players, both on and off the basketball floor," he said. "I want my players to graduate first and have a great basketball career second. Southern Polytechnic is a great place to coach. The University has so many positives that help us in building a basketball program that everyone can be proud of. It really is a great University."

"We have built our program by recruiting players who fit into three cat-SPSU's loss in the NAIA "Sweet egories. Those categories are good students, good people, and good players. I am very proud of our accomplishments both on and off the basketball floor."



Prior to his arrival at SPSU. Helfer was an assistant at Grand Valley State University in Grand Rapids, Mich. At Grand Valley, he helped guide the Lakers to a 23-6 record and a GLIAC Championship in his only season with the program. Helfer was an assistant coach at NCAA Division I Kent State University from 1991-96.

Helfer played on the collegiate level at Capital University in Columbus, Ohio. While at Capital, he started for three seasons and led the Crusaders to the NCAA Division III National Tournament and a record of 21-7 in his senior year. He holds a bachelor's degree from Capital University and a master's degree in Sport Administration from Kent State. Helfer is single and resides in Atlanta.

The Helfer File

As a Head Coach: **SOUTHERN POLYTECHNIC**

<u>Year</u>	W	<u>L</u>	Pct.
2000-01	24	11	.686
1999-00	28	7	.800
1998-99	14	18	.438
1997-98	16	16	.500
Total	82	52	.634

Titles Won:

2001 GACC Tournament 1999-2000 GACC Regular Season 2000 GACC Tournament

As an Assistant Coach: **GRAND VALLEY STATE**

Year	W	L	Pct.
1996-97	23	6	.793
KENT ST	TATE L	JNIVE	RSIT
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
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.500

1990-91

1989-90

Total

As a Player:

Capital University, 1985-89

Personal:

Full Name: Michael Ray Helfer Birthdate: Feb. 27, 1967 Birthplace: Newark, Ohio Residence: Atlanta, Ga. Hobbies: Golf, running

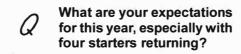
QEA With Coach Helfer



Exactly where does the SPSU program stand now that you have been to the NAIA Tournament two straight years?

GACC Our championships and trips to the National Tournament have helped our program gain some national respect. Before, people would say, "Where is Southern Polytechnic?" Now, it's

more like "yea, we know where Southern Polytechnic is at and that's a quality program." I think success can breed success if you have players and coaches who are willing to work at it and continue to improve.



You can't buy or coach experience. I think every coach enjoys coaching seniors who are committed and dedicated to the program. That is what we have in our five seniors. They have helped us build this program from the bottom up and I know they don't want to leave on a downer. I would expect this team to play up to its potential each and every night. If that happens, then I think we will have a chance to repeat our success.

What is your coaching philosophy?

First, I want to make sure my players receive a top-notch education. They will go to class and get their degree \$. Second, I honestly believe that a coach has the ability to directly affect the lives of the players with whom he is working in a positive way. I want this to be a positer graduation to just sit down and talk. It is important to teach the game of basketball, but it's also important to teach about the game of life.

tive relationship that is built on trust and

caring and exists outside of the play-

ing floor. I want my players to feel com-

fortable walking back into my office af-

pect to see when they watch your team play?-They should expect to see a

team that plays hard and very uptempo. We want to put pressure on opponents in the fullcourt, both offensively and defensively. We believe in forcing the tempo and utilizing a lot of players. This style is one that our players and coaches believe in and it's a style that fits into a championship formula.

What is you recruiting philosophy?

I look at three different things when I recruit a student-athlete. First, we want players who are good students. They must want a quality education and we are going to make sure they get it. Second, I believe in bringing in players who are good people. I want players who have char-

acter and solid beliefs in who they are and what they stand for. Finally, I want to recruit good players. We want players who want to win a championship and who are willing to do what it takes to win that championship because believe me, it's not easy to do.

What is the national opinion of the GACC?

I think the respect of our conference is growing; at least it

should be. We have placed three teams in each of the last two National Tournaments. Last year alone, our conference went 6-2 at the nationals, with Faulkner winning the whole thing. This conference is tough from top to bottom. There is no easy night in our league and if you think so, then you are going to get beat. Our conference has some great players and some What should SPSU fans ex- outstanding coaches who know how to win. It has to be one of the toughest leagues in the country.

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

I would te I them that they are coming into a great situation academically, athletically, and socially. SPSU is demanding in the classroom, which will ensure they receive a quality education. Our basketball program has gained national attention and we are going to make sure that continues. Also, the Atlanta area has a tot to offer. We have a small community atmosphere here in Marietta, but with the advantages of a big city, like the Hawks, Braves, Falcons and Thrashers. Finally, I would tell them to get ready to become a part of our family here at SPSU and to begin a journey that will change their lives forever.



Assistant Coaches

James LaPointe



James LaPointe is beginning his second season as an assistant to Coach Helfer, and has been elevated to first assistant this season.

"James did a great job for us last year and that is why I moved him up to my top assistant position," praised Coach Helfer. "He is a tireless worker who does a great job with individual player development."

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. Jim earned a master's degree in Sports Administration from Louisiana Baptist University in 1994.

Troy Youngs

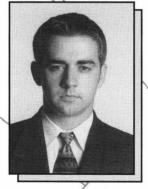


Troy Youngs is beginning his third season as an assistant to Coach Helfer. Youngs played at the Junior College level for Herkimer County Community College in upstate New York. In his freshman year his team won the Mountain Valley Conference title. He holds an associate's degree in Data Processing and a bachelor's degree in Computer Science from the State University of New York at Utica.

Prior to coming to Southern Polytechnic, Youngs was the girls' varsity head coach at Holland Patent High School from 1993-97 and the top assistant for the girls' 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 his wife Bonnie, and children Danielle and Troy Jr.

"Troy has done a great job for us over the past couple of years," commented Coach Helfer. "He is a true basketball junkie and his enthusiasm wears off on our players. He understands the game and is an excellent teacher."

Eric Blair



Eric Blair enters his first year of collegiate coaching at a place with which he is very familiar. Blair played at SPSU for three seasons, from 1996-1999. He was the Runnin' Hornets' starting point guard his last two years. Prior to his SPSU career, Blair played at South Cobb High School, in Marietta, Ga. He currently is finishing his bachelor's degree in management from SPSU and has a 2½-year-old son, Caden.

"Eric has a great enthusiasm for the game of basketball. He understands the work that must go into coaching and I think he will become a great college coach," said Coach Helfer.

Mike McCormack



Mike McCormack is entering his first year of collegiate coaching. McCormack has been an assistant high school coach at John Jay High School for two years. In terms of playing experience, McCormack played basketball and baseball at Henderson High School in Philadelphia, Pa. Following graduation, he played collegiate baseball for Dutchess Community College in Poughkeepsie, N.Y. He currently is finishing his degree in sport management from Kennesaw State University.

According to Coach Helfer, "Mike is a worker. He is willing to do whatever it takes to get into the profession and that will carry him a long way. He doesn't hesitate to take on the difficult jobs."

Team Trainer: Kerry Gordon

2001-02 5P5U Rosters



Numerical Roster

#	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Pos.	CI.	Hometown/High School/Last School
4	Ruben Bush	6-1	180	G	Jr.	Springfield, Mass./Cathedral Prep/New Hampshire
20	D'Juan Neal	6-3	180	G	Sr.	Stone Mountain, Ga./St. John's Prep/Old Dominion
22	Matt Cogbill	6-2	180	G	Jr.	Roswell, Ga./Lassiter H.S./Kennesaw State
24	Duwand Jackson	6-4	200	G/F	Sr.	Stone Mountain, Ga./Tucker H.S./Atlanta Metro C.C.
30	Duriel Coleman	6-2	200	G	Sr.	Austin, Texas/Pflugerville H.S./Beulah Hts.
32	Mike Benson	6-2	185	G/F	Sr.	Atlanta, Ga./Creekside H.S.
33	Antonio Graham	6-6	235	С	Sr.	Savannah, Ga./Johnson H.S./Morris Brown
34	Canaan Brown	6-6	215	F/C	Jr.	Buford, Ga./Buford H.S./Truett-McConnell
42	T.J. Watson	6-7	220	F/C	Jr.	Durham, N.C./Riverside H.S./Columbus State
50	Quentin Wilson	6-7	220	С	Jr.	Stone Mountain, Ga./North Springs H.S.
52	Bernard Owens	6-7	215	G	So.	Lithonia, Ga./Lithonia H.S./Cowley County C.C.
54	Leho Kraav	6-10	215	F	Jr.	Tallnin, Estonia/Tallnin Secondary/Kent State

Alphabetical Roster

#	<u>Name</u>	Ht.	Wt.	Pos.	CI.	Hometown/High School/Last School
32	Mike Benson	6-2	185	G/F	Sr.	Atlanta, Ga./Creekside H.S.
34	Canaan Brown	6-6	215	F/C	Jr.	Buford, Ga./Buford H.S./Truett-McConnell
4	Ruben Bush	6-1	180	G	Jr.	Springfield, Mass./Cathedral Prep/New Hampshire
22	Matt Cogbill	6-2	180	G	Jr.	Roswell, Ga./Lassiter H.S./Kennesaw State
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24	Duwand Jackson	6-4	200	G/F	Sr.	Stone Mountain, Ga./Tucker H.S./Atlanta Metro C.C.
54	Leho Kraav	6-10	215	F	Jr.	Tallnin, Estonia/Tallnin Secondary/Kent State
20	D'Juan Neal	6-3	180	G	Sr.	Stone Mountain, Ga./St. John's Prep/Old Dominion
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Head Coach: Mike Helfer

Assistant Coaches: James LaPointe, Troy Youngs, Eric Blair, Mike McCormack

Trainer: Kerry Gordon

Starters Returning

Duwand Jackson
Antonio Graham
Duriel Coleman
D'Juan Neal

11.1 ppg, 5.4 rpg
10.2 ppg, 5.9 rpg
9.4 ppg, 3.3 apg
6.7 ppg, 3.2 apg

Shuron Washington 10.6 ppg, 3.0 rpg

Pronunciation Guide

Leho LEO
Kraav KRAV
Canaan KAY-nen
Duriel DURR-ee-ell

Players by State/Country

Georgia: 8 Texas: 1 Massachusetts: 1 North Carolina: 1 Estonia: 1

Players by Class

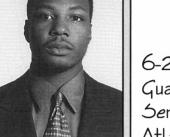
Seniors: 5 Juniors: 7



Meet the Runnin' Hornets

Mike Benson





6-2.185 Guard/Forward 5enior Atlanta, Ga.

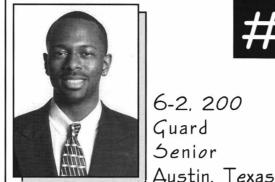
According to Coach Helfer: "Mike's energy and enthusiasm is contagious. He plays so hard and sparks our team when he is on the floor. His understanding of the game is second to none and I could easily see him as a coach one

At SPSU: An athletic player who hustles as much as anyone and has a great basketball mind ... Can knock down the open shot, but also drives to the basket well ... Can always be counted on to do the "dirty work," whether it's taking a charge or diving for a loose ball.

High School: Holds the Creekside High School record for most assists in a single game (15) ... Was a member of the National Honor Society, Beta Club and Student Government ... Made Honor Roll for four years and had an overall GPA of 4.0 ... Was ranked in the top 10 percent of his class . Earned seven varsity letters (3 cross country, 2 basketball, 1 track, 1 baseball). Coach: Kirby Lamb.

Personal: Is the son of Eddie and Norma Benson ... Was born Jan. 16, 1980, in Atlanta ... Has a brother, Marcus, who plays basketball at Brewton-Parker College ... Hobbies include collecting sports cards and reading books by Donald Goines.

Duriel Coleman



6-2. 200 Guard 5enior

According to Coach Helfer: "Duriel had a great off-season and really stepped up his game. He's a great threepoint shooter, but can also take players off the dribble. He understands the game and we will need that this year."

At SPSU: An excellent three-point and free-throw shooter who is also effective off the dribble ... A two-year starter who can play either the one- or two-quard spot ... Is slated to start again this season ... Also excels defensively.

Previous School: Averaged 16 points per game at Beulah Heights College. Coach: Richard Dalton.

High School: Averaged 22 points, four rebounds and five assists per game as a senior at Pflugerville High School ... Was named to the All-District First Team and the All-Central Texas Team ... Also earned first-team academic all-district honors ... Posted an overall GPA of 3.1. Coach: David Sisson.

Personal: Is the son of Charles and Linda Coleman... Was born Feb. 5, 1975, in Atlanta ... His father played semi-pro basketball in the Air Force ... Mom played basketball at Grambling State University and graduated cum laude ... Has 2-year-old twin sisters, Kayla and Jayla ... Hobbies include watching and playing basketball, and reading.

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2000-01	31	10	29-73	.397	8-24	.333	11-23	.478	45-1.5	31	26	24	0	18	77-2.5	
1999-00	29	0	20-59	.338	9-28	.321	15-21	.714	29-1.0	19	16	13	3	17	64-2.2	
Total	60	10	49-132	.371	17-52	.327	26-44	.591	74-1.2	50	52	37	3	35	141-2.4	
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Year	GP	GS	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA Pct.	RB-Avg.	PF	AST	TO	BL	ST	PtsAvg.
2000-01	35	18	106-245	.433	65-163	.399	51-66 .773	88-2.5	55	115	84	3	50	328-9.4
1999-00	35	28	131-314	.417	65-174	.373	134-169 .793	115-3.3	64	159	88	3	85	455-13.0
Total	70	46	237-559	.424	130-337	.386	185-235 .787	203-2.9	119	274	172	6	135	783-11.2

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6-6, 235 Center 5enior Savannah, Ga.

According to Coach Helfer: "Antonio is by far one of the hardest working players I have coached. He is a great leader and really has a feel for playing the low block."

At SPSU: A very physical and athletic player whose strong upper body benefits him inside ... A two-year starter who will return to that role ... An active scorer around the basket. Previous School: Was the Most Improved Player and Rebounder of the Year when he played at Morris Brown College during the 1999-2000 season.

High School: Received the Coach's Award in both basketball and cross country at Johnson High School ... Was his basketball team's MVP as a senior ... Also received Hustle Award. Rebound Award and Defensive Award ... Earned all-state honorable mention ... Was ranked 22nd in a graduating class of 300 ... Was on the Honor Roll ... Belonged to the Math Club and French Club ... Was listed in Who's Who in American High Schools ... Also participated in cross country and track. Coach: Alfred Ogden.

Personal: Is the son of Greg and Patricia Williams ... Was born Sept. 10. 1980, in Savannah, Ga. ... Has four sisters ... Has a year-and-a-half old son ... Nickname is "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 raising his son ... Hobbies include video games, lifting weights, and playing with his son.

Antonio Graham Duwand Jackson



6-4.200 Guard/Forward 5enior Stone Mountain, Ga.

According to Coach Helfer: "Duwand is one of our go-to guys. He is so difficult to defend because he can shoot the three, create off the dribble, and post up. We're looking for him to step up big for us this year."

At SPSU: A physical and multi-dimensional player who has started for two season and should do so again ... Has been named the Most Valuable Player of the GACC Tournament for two consecutive seasons ... A very good scorer who once hit eight three-pointers in a game (vs. Piedmont, 1999-00) ... Earned honorable mention on the NAIA All-America Team as a sophomore ... Also was named to the All-GACC First Team that year.

Previous School: Averaged seven points a game in one season at Atlanta Metro Community College. Coach: Robert Prickett.

High School: Averaged 16 points and eight rebounds a game at Tucker High School ... Was named to the All-Dekalb County Team as a senior ... Was voted Player of the Month in January that year and Best All-Around Player. Coach: Carter Wilson.

Personal: Is the son of Dwight and Deborah Jackson ... Was born Jan. 8, 1980 ... Hobbies include video games and playing basketball.

GRAHAM'S CAREER STATISTICS															
Year	GP	GS	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	RB-Avg.	PF	AST	TO	BL	ST	PtsAvg.
2000-01									208-5.9						
1999-00	29								29-1.0						
Total	64		175-348						237-3.7						

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Year	GP	GS	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	RB-Avg.	PF	AST	TO	BL	ST	PtsAvg.	
2000-01	35	18	151-372	.406	28-82	.341	61-99	.616	189-5.4	93	82	80	12	75	391-11.2	
1999-00	35	28	200-450	.444	56-129	.403	93-129	.721	202-5.8	98	62	80	9	91	549-15.7	
Total	70	46	351-822	.427	84-211	.398	154-228	.675	391-5.6	191	144	160	21	166	940-13.4	



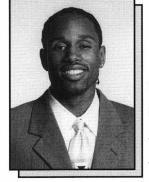
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D'Juan Neal

#20



6-3, 180 Guard Senior Stone Mountain, Ga.

According to Coach Helfer: "D'Juan is a great leader. He knows how to motivate his teammates and does that all of the time. He is very good defensively and will be called upon to defend the opponents' better players, but they also will have to defend him."

At SPSU: A vocal team leader who knows the game ... A two-year starter who will return to that role ... A good scorer who likes to dribble drive and always plays hard.

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

High School: St. John's Prep at Prospect Hall had a 50-1 record during his two years there ... Team was ranked among the nation's top five teams at the end of his junior year ... St. John's won the national championship by both *USA Today* and Associated Press in 1998 ... Was named to the All-City First Team ... Also received honorable mention on the McDonald's All-America Team. Coach: Stu Vetter.

Personal: Is the son of Andrea Neal ... Was born March 17, 1980, in Springfield, Mass. ... Listed his mother and pop as his biggest fan and best friend.

Canaan Brown



#34

6-6, 215 Forward/Center Junior Buford, Ga.

According to Coach Helfer: "Canaan is a tremendous athlete. He is the type of player we need to play uptempo basketball. He will be difficult to defend because he can play inside or out."

Previous School: Played two years at Truett-McConnell College where he was his team's Most Valuable Player for consecutive seasons ... Averaged 18 points, 15 rebounds and three assists per game in his time at Truett-McConnell. **Coach:** Wayne Collett.

High School: Was named Most Valuable Player all four years at Buford High School ... Received all-state and allarea recognition as a senior ... Averaged 24 points, 17 rebounds, five assists, three steals and four blocks per game in his senior season. **Coach:** Gerald Arnold.

Personal: Is the son of Darlene Higgs and Carl Brown ... Was born March 17, 1981, in Colorado Springs, Colo. ... Enjoys writing rap songs and drawing ... Favorite athlete is Shawn Kemp.

Ruben Bush

#4

6-1, 180 Guard Junior Springfield, Mass.

According to Coach Helfer: "Ruben really turned it on last year once he felt comfortable in our system. He is very explosive off the dribble and can get it to the basket. He'll have to step it up even more this year for us."

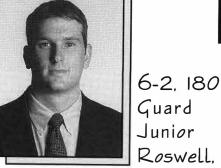
At SPSU: An athletic and explosive player who made significant contributions in the GACC Tournament and the NAIA Tournament ... Has the ability to create off the dribble and can knock down the open jumper ... His hustle can match up to anyone on the team.

Previous School: Started eight games at the University of New Hampshire in 1999-2000 season.

High School: Played at Cathedral High School in Springfield, Mass., then spent a year at Suffield Academy in Suffield, Conn. ... Earned honorable mention on the USA Today All-USA Team both years at Cathedral... As a senior, averaged 22 points, six rebounds and four assists ... Netted 1,060 career points at Cathedral ... As a junior averaged 19 points and six rebounds and was named to the All-Western Massachusetts First Team and the All-League Team. Coaches: Gene Eggleston (Cathedral H.S.) and David Godin (Suffield Academy).

Personal: Is the son of Ruben and Dorothy Bush ... Was born June 23, 1980, in Springfield, Mass. ... Has one brother, Landon ... Considers family the most important thing ... Goal is to win a national championship ... Favorite athlete is Michael Jordan.

Matt Cogbill



#22

According to Coach Helfer: "Matt is a pure shooter, but brings a lot of other qualities to the floor. He has great basketball instincts and plays with a lot of heart. We are glad to have him in our program."

Previous School: Previously played two years at Kennesaw State University. **Coach:** Tony Ingle.

High School: Received honorable mention on the all-state team at Lassiter High School ... Also was named to the All-Cobb County First Team as a junior, then received second-team honors as a senior ... Was the North Gwinnette Gatorade MVP. **Coach:** Lawanza Crutcher.

Personal: Is the son of Curtis and Charlyn Cogbill ... Was born Sept. 12, 1978, in Orlando, Fla. ... Has three brothers and two sisters ... Favorite athlete is Steve Young.

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ı	1999-00	34	15	65-148	.439	7-22	.318	61-98	.622	92-2.7	97	79	68	11	64	198-5.8
П	Total	77	36	139-310	.448	19-57	.333	140-205	.683	191-2.5	195	187	133	20	125	427-5.6

NEAL'S CAREER STATISTICS

BUSH'S CAREER STATISTICS

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Meet the Runnin' Hornets

Leho Kraav





6-10, 215 Forward Junior Tallnin, Estonia

According to Coach Helfer: "Leho is very skilled for a player who stands 6-10. He can step out and shoot the three-pointer or drive it to the basket. He's much better facing the basket and creating his own shot than playing on the block."

At SPSU: A skilled offensive player who can shoot from the perimeter... Also is an excellent free-throw shooter ... A fundamentally solid player who understands the game ... A part-time starter in 2000-01 ... Was named GACC Player of the Week once as a sophomore ... Also earned a spot on the 2000-01 Georgia-Alabama-Carolina Conference All-Academic Team thanks to his 3.43 GPA in computer science.

Previous School: Attended Kent State University (Kent, Ohio) and redshirted in 1999-00 ... Was on the Dean's List.

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

Personal: Is the son of Lembit and Maire Kraav ... Was born Nov. 4, 1979, in Tallnin, Estonia ... Has one 14-year-old sister, Marje-Helena ... Hobbies include travelling the world, music and table tennis ... Has goals of working hard everyday, knowing when to relax, doing things right the first time, learning from mistakes, and remaining positive at all times.

Bernard Owens





6-7, 215 Guard Sophomore Lithonia, Ga.

According to Coach Helfer: "Bernard will redshirt this season due to an ACL injury. We are looking forward to him joining us in 2002-03."

Previous School: Played at Cowley County Community College for Coach Mark Nelson.

High School: Was his team's Most Valuable Player at Lithonia High School ... Once was selected as the Dekalb County Player of the Month. **Coach:** Eric Mance.

Personal: Is the son of Mattie and Johnny Owens ... Was born Feb. 23, 1979, in Decatur, Ga. ... Comes from a large family of six sisters and two brothers ... Hobbies include reading and writing, in addition to basketball.

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Year GP GS FG-FGA Pct. 3FG-FGA Pct. FT-FTA Pct. RB-Avg. PF AST TO BL ST Pts.-Avg. 2000-01 35 15 113-202 .559 11-35 .314 54-69 .783 175-5.0 67 17 47 21 15 291-8.3

Meet the Runnin' Hornets



T.J. Watson



#42

6-7. 220 Forward/Center Junior Durham, N.C.

According to Coach Helfer: "T.J. is a very versatile player. He's a big man with good skills and will help us at the 3, 4, and 5 spots."

Previous School: Played at Columbus State for two years. **Coach:** Herbert Greene.

High School: Was his team's Most Valuable Player at Riverside High School in Durham, N.C. ... Also earned the Coaches' Award ... Received a National Gold Key Award in art. **Coach:** Tim Ross.

Personal: Is the son of John and Beverly Eley ... Has one brother, Tyson ... Was born April 1, 1980, in Harlem, N.Y. ... Enjoys going to church, drawing, rapping, and spending time with family ... Favorite athlete is Chris Webber.

Quentin Wilson



#50

Center Junior Stone Mountain, Ga.

According to Coach Helfer: "Quentin has made himself into a good player. He works very hard in the weight room in the off-season and it shows. He knows how to score on the low block and has developed a mid-range jumper."

6-7, 220

At SPSU: A solid post player who scores mostly around the basket ... Has been a back-up, but has made improved greatly and is closing the gap ... An athletic player who runs the floor like a guard ... Has added about 30 pounds since his freshman year ... Was redshirted during the 1999-2000 season after making a solid contribution as a freshman ... Played in 22 games that year and averaged six points and three rebounds a game ... Shot 57 percent from the field ... Top sconng output was 18 points against Kennesaw State in the Valdosta Tournament.

High School: Received all-conference honors his senior season at North Springs High School in Stone Mountain ... Was on the Honor Roll four consecutive years. **Coach:** Charles Parks.

Personal Is the son of Stewart and Dariène Wilson ... Was born Jan. 8, 1980, in Atlanta, Ga. ... Father played tootball at Morehouse College ... Has two sisters ... One of his greatest experiences was witnessing his niece being born.

WILSON'S CAREER STATISTICS															
Year	GP	GS	FG-FGA	Pct.	3FG-FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	RB-Avg.	PF	AST	TO	BL	ST	PtsAva.
2000-01	32	0	62-130	.477	0-0		38-66								162-5.1
1998-99	22	0	52- 91	.571	1-1	1.000	25-42	.595	63-2.9	27	4	12	10	4	130-5.9
Total	54	0	114-221	.516	1-1	1.000	63-108	.583	139-2.6	93	11	36	38	16	292-5.4



2000-01 Season in Review

When a basketball team suddenly goes from being a .500 program to a championship team in one year, it may be considered remarkable. The following year a high level of success often is expected. Such was the case with the Southern Polytechnic State entering the 2000-01 season ... and the Runnin' Hornets did not disappoint their fans and followers.

Following an outstanding 1999-2000 campaign that saw SPSU win 28 games, capture the Georgia-Alabama-Carolina Conference regular-season and tournament titles, and advance to the NAIA National Tournament "Sweet 16," hopes were high for a repeat performance. Last year's squad also was extremely successful, once again winning the GACC Tournament and qualifying for a return trip to the NAIA Tournament in Tulsa. Once there, the Hornets matched their performance from the previous year, winning a game and

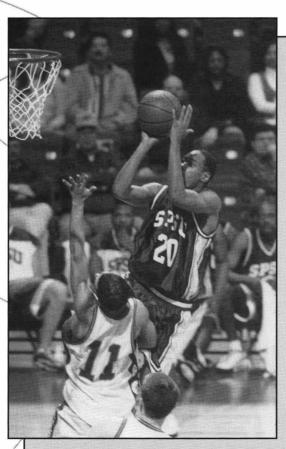
advancing to the "Sweet 16" round of the tournament. SPSU cruised past the 20-win plateau, finishing with an impressive 24-11 mark.

So how did SPSU manage the repeat performance of winning the GACC Tournament crown and returning to the NAIA Tournament? Teamwork and balance come to mind, and that impression is reinforced when viewing last year's scoring breakdown. An impressive total of eight Hornets averaged more than eight points a game, including three who scored in double figures. Duwand Jackson led the way with his 11.2-point average, followed closely by Shuron Washington (10.6 ppg) and Antonio Graham (10.2 ppg). Washington completed his career as the third-leading career scorer in SPSU modern history. Jackson, who returns to lead the Hornets in 2001-02, moved into the top of the recenthistory scoring charts and now has 940 career points.

The season kicked off with a four-game winning streak over non-conference opponents. The

balanced team scoring was evident early: in the first six games five different SPSU players took team-high scoring honors and six different Hornets led the team in rebounding. The remainder of the non-conference schedule saw some mixed performances, which resulted in SPSU taking a 6-4 slate into its GACC opener on Jan. 6.

The Hornets jumped into conference play with both feet, winning six of their first seven games. The only loss during that stretch - a three-point road defeat to Brewton Parker (80-83) - was avenged later in the year with a resounding 20-point victory. On Jan. 20, the Hornets recorded a convincing 74-66 win over eventual national NAIA champion Faulkner University. SPSU continued through its GACC schedule, enjoying a five-game win streak in early February. Last season Southern Poly swept Georgia Southwestern, Southern Wesleyan, North Georgia College, Shorter College and Reinhardt College,



Senior D'Juan Neal

and split the home-and-home series with Brewton-Parker, Faulkner and

Another five-game win streak occurred at the best possible time of the year. The Hornets won their regular-season finale, then faced Shorter College in the opening round of the GACC Tournament. Jackson and Leho Kraav each netted 17 points, while Kraav was the team's high rebounder with eight to lead SPSU to a 101-82 victory. The secondround tournament game ended up being SPSU's toughest as the Green and White squeezed out a one-point win (82-81) over eventual national champ Faulkner. Kraav once again notched 17 points, as did Antwan Shellman. The championship game presented an excellent opportunity for the Hornets, as they faced the only team that defeated them twice during the season: Auburn-Montgomery. Those losses were avenged successfully as SPSU handed

the Senators a decisive 88-68 win. Ruben Bush scored 20 to lead the

"We took the conference tournament as a challenge," explained Coach Helfer. "We had not played well in the middle of February, but we knew we had it in us. What we needed to focus on was playing up to our potential.

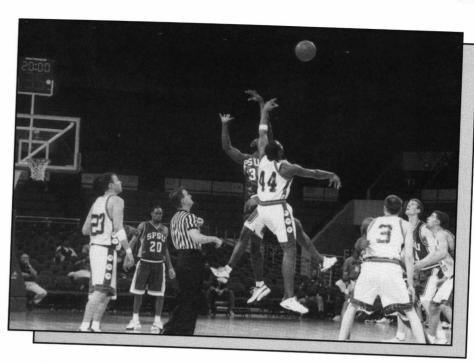
"We learned the value of team chemistry. It took us a while to find the right combination, but we did and that helped us win the conference tournament championship," he

The successful defense of the GACC Tournament title resulted in a return trip to the NAIA Tournament in Tulsa, Okla,

"The success we had last year only helps us in building the tradition here at SPSU," he said. "Any time you can make back-to-back National Tournament appearances, then you are gaining recognition for your program and your University. I believe that is important for the upcoming recruiting classes."

A Return Trip to Tulsa





Although it didn't have the same novelty it had possessed the previous year, SPSU's trip to Tulsa, Okla., for the NAIA National Tournament still had the same magic.

"Making it to the National Tournament for the second year in a row was exciting," said Head Coach Mike Helfer. "Those trips to the National Tournament have helped our program gain some national respect."

Truth was, the Runnin' Hornets were a known commodity when they arrived in Tulsa in 2001. A year earlier they had arrived as a bit of a surprise team, won their opening-round game, and advanced to the tournament's "Sweet 16."

In 2001, opponents had a better awareness of the high-powered offense/ and relentless defense they would be facing in Southern Polytechnic State University.

The opening-round game on March 14 pitted SPSU against the College of West Virginia. Not only was it the first round of the tournament, but it was actually the first game of the entire tournament, complete with a 9 a.m. tipoff! The College of West Virginia was the tournament's sixth seed, and had been ranked first in the country for four consecutive weeks in January.

The Hornets started the game with an 11-0 run and never looked back, emerging with an 86-59 win. A 20-7 run to wrap up the first half gave

SPSU a 44-25 halftime advantage, which was never relented. Ruben Bush led five Southern Poly doublefigure scorers with 18 points. Bush, Antwan Shellman and Leho Kraav each grabbed eight rebounds to share top rebounding honors.

Two days later, the Runnin' Hornets faced Oklahoma Baptist University and lost a hard-fought game by a score of 82-74. SPSU had been up by two points at the half and the game went down to the wire, but the Hornets couldn't overcome being outscored 30-2 at the foul line. Duwand Jackson tossed in a team-high 18 points, while Antonio Graham led the way for SPSU with seven rebounds.

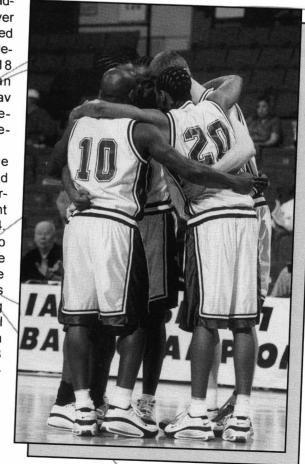
"Our only wish was that we could improve on the Sweet 16 performance

from the year before. We were hoping we could make it to the round of eight, or even the final four," said Coach

Despite the fact that Coach Helfer had hoped his squad might advance a bit further in the national tournament, the Hornets once again recorded an impressive slate of accomplishments.

The 2001 NAIA Tournament appearance marked the eighth in SPSU history. It also was the fourth time that the Hornets advanced to the second round; their all-time NAIA post-season record is 5-8.

That chance will come again to get to the next round, although Tulsa will no longer be the destination of choice. This year the 65th annual national tournament for men's basketball will be held in Municipal Auditorium in Kansas City, Mo. The six-day NAIA Tournament on March 13-19 once again will follows a 32-team, singleelimination format.





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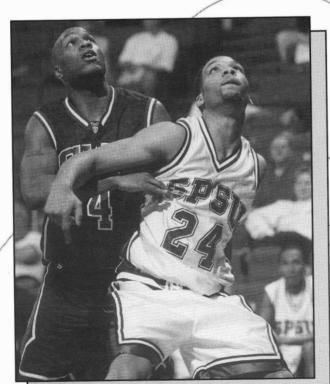
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12 WASHINGTON, S.	35-23/802-2.9 1	32-335	.394	69-191	.361	38-53	.717	33-71=104/3.0	106-6	58	66	6	37	371-10.6
33 GRAHAM, Antonio	35-34/781-22.3 1	155-289	.536	0-1	.000	47-91	.516	82-126=208/5.9	94-2	12	68	13	22	357-10.2
30 COLEMAN, Duriel	35-18/794-22.7 1	106-245	.433	65-163	.399	51-66	.773	26-62=88/2.5	55-0	115	84	3	50	327-9.4
04 WALTON, Branton	8-3/139-17.4	27-47	.574	1-2	.500	20-29	.690	13-31=44/5.5	19-1	4	18	6	12	75-9.4
10 SHELLMAN, Antwan	35-20/745-21.3	99-253	.391	35-116	.302	64-79	.810	44-55=99/2.8	83-2	92	51	0	69	297-8.5
54 KRAAV, Leho	35-15/527-15.1	113-202	.559	11-35	.314	54-69	.783	69-106=175/5.0	67-2	17	47	21	15	291-8.3
20 NEAL, D'Juan	34-21/744-12.9	74-162	.457	12-35	.343	69-107	.645	30-69=99/2.9	98-6	108	65	9	61	229-6.7
22 BUSH, Ruben	35-3/399-11.4	77-137	.562	0-5	.000	47-82	.573	32-37=69/2.0	44-0	29	43	0	29	201-5.7
50 WILSON, Quentin	32-0/402-12.6	62-130	.477	0-0	.000	38-66	.576	35-41=76/2.4	66-0	7	24	28	12	162-5.1
42 LARKIN, Austin	31-0/250-8.1	31-66	.470	5-16	.313	4-21	.667	23-52=75/2.4	35-0	15	19	2	4	81-2.6
32 BENSON, Mike	31-10/309-10.0	29-73	.397	8-24	.333	11-23	.478	24-21=45/1.5	31-0	26	24	0	18	77-2.5
34 KULICH, Brian	15-0/69-4.6	9-28	.321	0-0	.000	9-20	.450	10-12=22/1.5	10-0	10	8	1	12	27-1.8
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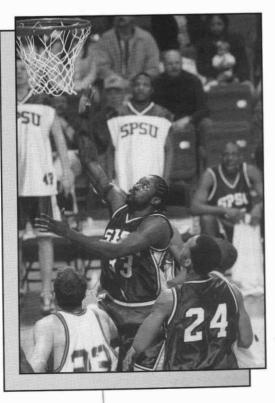
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Seniors Duwand Jackson (left) and Antonio Graham



2000-01 Results



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11-14-00	VOORHEES COLLEGE	W, 64-51		S. Washington (1		A. Graham (8	
11-17-00	BERRY COLLEGE	W, 70-61	l	R. Bush (17)	,	B. Walton (7)	
11-18-00	HUNTINGDON COLLEGE	W, 106-81	ı	A. Larkin (15)		A. Larkin, L.	
11-21-00	LIFE UNIVERSITY	L, 88-93	l	D. Jackson (20)		B. Walton (8)	` ,
11-27-00	at Voorhees College	L, 56-58	l	B. Walton (9)		D. Neal (6)	
12-2-00	at Berry College	W, 72-62	ı	S. Washington (1	11)	A. Graham (9	a)
12-2-00	at Borry Conege	11, 12 02	l	D. Coleman (11)	'''	7t. Oranam (t	3)
12-5-00	at Trevecca Nazarene University	L, 60-83	l	S. Washington (1	17)	A. Graham, L	Kraav (6)
12-28-00	CARVER COLLEGE	W, 119-85	l	S. Washington (3	31)	A. Graham (1	
12-30-00	OHIO DOMINICAN COLLEGE	L, 70-75	l	L. Kraav (14)	,	D. Jackson (
1-6-01	*at Georgia Southwestern	W, 98-80	l	A. Graham (22)		L. Kraav (12)	,
1-8-01	*at Brewton-Parker College		l	, ,	D. Jack	(son (21)	A. Graham
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1-11-01	*SOUTHERN WESLEYAN UNIV.	W, 81-63	l	D. Coleman (12)		L. Kraav (10)	
1-13-01	PENSACOLA CHRISTIAN COLL.	W, 108-60	ı	S. Washington (1		Q. Wilson, L.	
1-15-01	*at North Georgia College	W, 98-89	l	L. Kraav (19)	17)		A. Graham (6)
1-18-01	*SHORTER COLLEGE	W, 89-83	l	L. Kraav (24)		A. Graham, L	
1-20-01	*FAULKNER UNIVERSITY	W, 74-66	l	D. Coleman (19)		S. Washingto	` '
1-22-01	*AUBURN-MONTGOMERY	L, 86-102	l	A. Graham (15)		A. Graham (1	` '
1-27-01	at Oakwood College	W, 100-63	l	Q. Wilson (17)		Q. Wilson (8)	•
1-29-01	*at Reinhardt College	W, 69-60	l	A. Shellman (12)		A. Graham (1	
2-1-01	*at Emmanuel College	L, 64-67		A. Graham (12)		A. Graham (1	
2-3-01	*GEORGIA SOUTHWESTERN	W, 82-73		D. Jackson (15)		M. Benson (6	,
2-5-01	*BREWTON-PARKER COLLEGE	W, 82-73 W, 83-63	l				
2-3-01	BREWTON-PARKER COLLEGE	VV, 63-63		D. Coleman (12) L. Kraav (12)	-	D. Jackson ()
2-8-01	*at Southern Wesleyan Univ.	W, 97-80		S. Washington (2	21)	D. Jackson, l	Kraav (7)
2-12-01	*NORTH GEORGIA COLLEGE	W, 81-72		S. Washington (2		A. Shellman	
2-15-01	*at Shorter College	W, 90-67		D. Coleman (19)		L. Kraav (7)	()
2-17-01	*at Faulkner University	L, 71-88		A. Graham (15)		Q. Jackson (3)
2-19-01	*at Auburn-Montgomery	L, 80-90	//	D. Neal (18)		D. Neal (7)	3)
2-22-01	*EMMANUEL COLLEGE	L, 74-81	r .	L. Kraav (12)		D. Jackson (8	3)
2-26-01	*REINHARDT COLLEGE	W, 76-54		A. Graham (12)	/	D. Jackson (8	
				, Oranam (12)		D. GGOILGOIT (-/
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				L. Kraav (17)			
3-2-01	%vs. Faulkner University	W, 82-81		A. Shellman (17)		D. Jackson, L	Kraav (6)
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3-14-01	#vs. College of West Virginia	W, 86-59		R. Bush (18)		A. Shellman,	R. Bush.
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3-16-01	#vs. Oklahoma Baptist	L, 74-82	1	D. Jackson (18)	/	A. Graham (7	')
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2001-02 Opponents

ALLEN UNIVERSITY

Nov. 7, 2001, 7:30 p.m., Marietta, Ga. SPSU Holiday Classic Dec. 29, 2001, 4:00 p.m., Marietta, Ga.

Dec. 29, 2001, 4:00 p.m., Marietta, Gallocation: Columbia, S.C.

Enrollment: 425

Nickname: Yellow Jackets School Colors: Blue and Gold Athletic Director: William Jefferson

Head Coach: Marvin Orange

Season: Second Affiliation: NAIA Division I

Conference: Eastern Intercollegiate Athletic Phone: (803) 376-5768

2000-01 Record: NA

PENSACOLA CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

Nov. 13, 2001, 7:30 p.m., Pensacola, Fla. Dec. 8, 2001, 4:00 p.m., Marietta, Ga.

Location: Pensacola, Fla. Enrollment: 3,500 Nickname: Eagles

School Colors: Royal and White Athletic Director: Landra Grant Head Coach: Mark Goetsch

Season: Seventh

Record at PCC: 85-199 (6 years)
Affiliation: NCCAA Division I

Conference: NCCAA Athletic Phone: (904) 478-8496

2000-01 Record: 8-19 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 7/10

ST. XAVIER UNIVERSITY (III.)

Nov. 16, 2001, 7:30 p.m. Marietta, Ga. Location: Chicago. III.

Enrollment: 4,500 Nickname: Cougars

School Colors: Scarlet and Gray Athletic Director: Dr. John Waddell

Head Coach: Tom O'Malley

Season: 37th

Record at SXU: 581-358 (36 years)
Affiliation: NAIA Division I
Conference: Chicagoland Eastern

Athletic Phone: (773) 298-3101

2000-01 Record: 30-5

2000-01 Conference Record: 11-1 Conference Finish: First

Lettermen Returning/Lost: 5/3
Starters Returning/Lost: 3/2

TREVECCA NAZARENE (Tenn.)

SPSU Thanksgiving Tournament Nov. 23, 2001, 7:30 p.m., Marietta, Ga.

Location: Nashville, Tenn. Enrollment: 1,400 Nickname: Trojans

School Colors: Purple and White Athletic Director: Alan Smith Head Coach: Sam Harris

Season at TNU: Ninth

Record at TNU: 109-152 (8 years)
Overall Record: 269-321 (18 years)

Affiliation: NAIA Division I Conference: TranSouth Athletic Phone: (615) 248-1271 2000-01 Record: 21-12

Lettermen Returning/Lost: 3/3

BERRY COLLEGE

SPSU Thanksgiving Tournament Nov. 24, 2001, 4:00 p.m., Marietta, Ga.

Location: Mount Berry, Ga. Enrollment: 2,000
Nickname: Vikings

School Colors: Navy Blue and Silver
Athletic Director: Todd Brooks

Head Coach: Todd Brooks

Season: Fifth

Record at Berry: 65-63 (4 years)
Career Record: 123-134 (8 years)
Affiliation: NAIA Division I

Conference: TranSouth
Athletic Phone: (706) 236-1721

2000-01 Record: 9-23 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 6/6

LIFE UNIVERSITY

Nov. 28, 2001, 7:30 p.m., Marietta, Ga.

Location: Marietta, Ga. Enrollment: 4,200

Nickname: Running Eagles School Colors: Green and White Athletic Director: Roger Kaiser Head Coach: John Barrett

Season: NA
Record at Life: NA
Affiliation: NAIA Division I
Conference: Independent
Athletic Phone: (770) 426-2765

2000-01 Record: 21-12 Lettermen Returning/Lost: NA

WEBBER COLLEGE

Dec. 1, 2001, 2:00 p.m., Marietta, Ga.

Location: Babson Park, Fla.

Enrollment: 500 Nickname: Warriors

School Colors: Green and Gold Athletic Director: Nancy Nichols Head Coach: Therman Bronaugh

Season: First
Affiliation: NAIA Division I

Conference: Florida Sun Conference Athletic Phone: (863) 638-2953

2000-01 Record: 15-19 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 9/6

GEORGIA SOUTHWESTERN

Jan. 3, 2002, 7:30 p.m., Americus, Ga. Jan. 31, 2002, 7:30 p.m., Marietta, Ga.

Location: Americus, Ga. Enrollment: 2,600
Nickname: Hurricanes

School Colors: Navy and Gold
Athletic Director: Randolph Barsdale
Head Coach: Randolph Barsdale

Season: Fourth

Affiliation: NAIA Division I

Conference: Georgia-Alabama-Carolina

Athletic Phone: (912) 931-2222

2000-01 Record: 16-13

2000-01 Conference Record: 8-10 **Conference Finish:** Seventh

BREWTON-PARKER COLLEGE

Jan. 5, 2002, 2:00 p.m., Mt. Vernon, Ga. Feb. 2, 2002, 2:00 p.m., Marietta, Ga.

Location: Mt. Vernon, Ga. Enrollment: 1,600 Nickname: Barons

School Colors: Orange and Blue Athletic Director: Steve Barker Head Coach: Steve Barker

Season: 12th

Record at Brewton-Parker: (11 years)

Affiliation: NAIA Division I

Conference: Georgia-Alabama-Carolina Athletic Phone: (912) 583-3255

2000-01 Record: (912) 583-3255

2000-01 Conference Record: 8-10

Conference Finish: Fifth

2001-02 Opponents



NORTH GEORGIA COLLEGE AND STATE UNIVERSITY

Jan. 7, 2002, 7:30 p.m., Marietta, Ga. Feb. 4, 2002, 7:30 p.m., Dahlonega, Ga.

Location: Dahlonega, Ga. Enrollment: 3,934
Nickname: Saints

School Colors: Royal Blue and White **Athletic Director:** Randy Dunn

Head Coach: Randy Dunn

Season: 20th

Record at NGCSU: 179-203 (19 years)

Affiliation: NAIA Division I

Conference: Georgia-Alabama-Carolina Athletic Phone: (706) 864-1758

2000-01 Record: 8-22

2000-01 Conference Record: 4-14 Conference Finish: Eighth Lettermen Returning/Lost: 6/4

EMMANUEL COLLEGE

Jan. 10, 2002, 7:30 p.m., Marietta, Ga. Feb. 7, 2002, 7:30 p.m., Franklin Springs, Ga.

Location: Franklin Springs, Ga.

Enrollment: 850 Nickname: Lions

School Colors: Gold and Blue Athletic Director: Mike Bona Head Coach: Dr. Jerry Boone

Season: Eighth

Record at EC: 122-157 (7 years)
Affiliation: NAIA Division I

Conference: Georgia-Alabama-Carolina

Athletic Phone: (706) 245-3139 2000-01 Record: 15-15

2000-01 Record: 15-15
2000-01 Conference Record: 11-7
Conference Finish: Fourth
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 5/9

SOUTHERN WESLEYAN

Jan. 12, 2002, 2:00 p.m., Marietta, Ga. Feb. 9, 2002, 2:00 p.m., Central, S.C.

Location: Central, S.C. **Enrollment:** 1,700 **Nickname:** Warriors

School Colors: Blue and Gold Athletic Director: Dr. Keith Connor/ Head Coach: Charles Wimphrie

Season: 10th

Record: 154-179 (9 years)
Affiliation: NAIA Division I

Conference: Georgia-Alabama-Carolina Athletic Phone: (864) 639-2453; x359 2000-01 Record: 5-27

2000-01 Conference Record: 3-15 Conference Finish: Ninth (tie) Lettermen Returning/Lost: 4/6

ATLANTA CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

Jan. 17, 2002, 7:30 p.m., Marietta, Ga.

Location: Atlanta, Ga.
Enrollment: 400
Nickname: Chargers
School Colors: Gold and Blue
Athletic Director: Joe Griffin
Head Coach: Joe Griffin

Season: 11th

Record at ACC: 167-153 (10 years)
Affiliation: NAIA Division II/NCCAA2
Conference: Independent
Athletic Phone: (404) 669-2052

2000-01 Record: 20-20 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 5/3

SHORTER COLLEGE

Jan. 19, 2002, 2:00 p.m., Rome, Ga. Feb. 25, 2002, 7:30 p.m., Marietta, Ga.

Location: Rome, Ga. Enrollment: 1,000 Nickname: Hawks

School Colors: Royal Blue and White Athletic Director: Ricci Lattanzi Head Coach: Ricky Williams

Season: Sixth

Record at Shorter: 71-83 (5 years)
Affiliation: NAIA Division I

Conference: Georgia-Alabama-Carolina Athletic Phone: (706) 233-7347

2000-01 Record: 15-15 2000-01 Conference Record: 9-9 Conference Finish: Sixth Lettermen Returning/Lost: 6/4

REINHARDT COLLEGE

Jan. 22, 2002, 7:30 p.m., Marietta, Ga. Feb. 19, 2002, 7:30 p.m., Waleska, Ga.

Location: Waleska, Ga. Enrollment: 1,000 Nickname: Eagles

School Colors: Royal Blue and Gold Athletic Director: Gerald Sharpe Head Coach: Gerald Sharpe

Season: 14th

Record at Reinhard: 241-149 (13 years)

Affiliation: NAIA Division I

Conference: Georgia-Alabama-Carolina Athletic Phone: (770) 720-5912

2000-01 Record: 5-27

2000-01 Conference Record: 3-15 **Conference Finish**: Ninth (tie)

FAULKNER UNIVERSITY

Jan. 24, 2002, 7:30 p.m., Montgomery, Ala. Feb. 21, 2002, 7:30 p.m., Marietta, Ga.

Location: Montgomery, Ala. Enrollment: 2,348

Nickname: Eagles School Colors: Blue, Gray and White Athletic Director: Jim Sanderson

Head Coach: Jim Sanderson Season: Sixth

Affiliation: NAIA Division I

Conference: Georgia-Alabama-Carolina

Athletic Phone: (334) 386-7148 **2000-01 Record:** 28-4

2000-01 Conference Record: 15-3 Conference Finish: First (tie) Lettermen Returning/Lost: 8/3

AUBURN-MONTGOMERY

Jan. 26, 2002, 2:00 p.m. Montgomery, Ala. Feb. 23, 2002, 2:00 p.m., Marietta, Ga.

Location: Montgomery, Ala. Enrollment: 5,440 Nickname: Senators

School Colors: Teal and Orange
Athletic Director: Dr. Mike Jones
Head Coach: Larry Chapman

Season: 25th

Affiliation: NAIA Division I

Conference: Georgia-Alabama-Carolina

Athletic Phone: (334) 244-3541 **2000-01 Record**: 22-5

2000-01 Conference Record: 15-3 Conference Finish: First (tie)



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Individual Game Records

Most Points: 40, Wilbur Jordan vs. Allen, 1/28/98
Most Field Goals Made: 14, Wilbur Jordan vs. Allen,
1/28/98; Wilbur Jordan vs. Southern Wesleyan,
2/5/98; Carlos Bermudez vs. Berry, 11/20/97

Most Field-Goal Attempts: 28, Wilbur Jordan vs. Southern Wesleyan, 2/5/98; Wilbur Jordan vs. Piedmont, 2/7/98

Highest Field-Goal Percentage: .889 (8/9), Leo Simmons vs. Emmanuel, 3/3/99

Most Three-Point Goals Made: 8, Duwand Jackson vs. Piedmont, 2/3/00

Most Three-Point Attempts: 15, Wilbur Jordan vs. Allen, 1/28/98

Highest Three-Point Percentage: .800 (8/10), Duwand Jackson vs. Piedmont, 2/3/00

Most Free Throws Made: 15, Chauncey Ford vs. North Georgia, 2/5/00

Most Free-Throw Attempts: 17, Chauncey Ford vs. North Georgia, 2/5/00

Highest Free-Throw Percentage: 1.000 (10/10), Eric Blair vs. Georgia Southwestern, 1/8/97; Wil Jordan vs. Piedmont, 2/7/98; Wil Jordan vs. Faulkner, 2/9/98

Most Rebounds: 15, Carlos Bermudez vs. Southern Weslevan, 11/6/97

Most Assists: 13, Bryan Swain vs. Allen, 1/28/98
Most Steals: 6, Duwand Jackson vs. Berry, 11/23/99
Most Blocked Shots: 6, Cedric Jones vs. Allen, 1/28/98;
Leo Simmons vs. North Georgia, 1/11/99

Individual Beason Records

Most Points: 761, Wilbur Jordan, 1997-98
Highest Scoring Avg.: 23.8, Wilbur Jordan, 1997-98
Most Field Goals Made: 257, Wilbur Jordan, 1997-98
Most Field-Goal Attempts: 548, Wilbur Jordan, 1997-98
Highest Field-Goal Percentage: .571 (52/91), Quentin Wilson, 1998-99

Most Three-Point Goals Made: 101, Wilbur Jordan, 1997-98

Most Three-Point Attempts: 264, Wilbur Jordan, 1997-98.
Highest Three-Point Percentage: 427 (68/159),
Shuron Washington, 1999-2000

Most Free Throws Made: 146, Wilbur Jordan, 1997-98
Most Free-Throw Attempts: 175, Wilbur Jordan, 1997-98
Highest Free-Throw Percentage: .834 (146/17.5), Wilbur Jordan, 1997-98

Highest Rebound Avg.: 5.9, Antonio Graham, 2000-01 Most Assists: 159, Duriel Coleman, 1999-2000 Highest Assist Avg.: 4.54, Duriel Coleman, 1999-2000 Most Steels: 86 Durrend Jackson, 1999-2000

Most Steals: 86, Duwand Jackson, 1999-2000

Most Blocked Shots: 29, Leo Simmons, 1998-99

Individual Career Records SCORING

1.	940	Duwand Jackson	1999-
2.	790	Deon Spear	1997-99
3.	783	Duriel Coleman	1999-
4.	764	Shuron Washington	1999-2001
5.	761	Wilbur Jordan	1997-98
6.	750	Haran Walker	1997-99
7.	571	Chauncey Ford	1998-00
8.	461	David Jones	1997-99
9.	427	D'Juan Neal	1999-

REBOUNDING

1.	345	Deon Spear	1997-99
2.	306	Adama Fall	1997-2001
3.	265	Chauncey Ford	1998-2001
4.	213	Leo Simmons	1998-2000
5.	208	Antonio Graham	2000-
6.	203	Bryan Swain	1997-99
7.	191	D'Juan Neal	1999-
8.	175	Leho Kraav	2000-

ASSISTS

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١.	301	Diyan Swam	1997-99
2.	275	Duriel Coleman	1999-
3.	187	D'Juan Neal	1999-
4.	154	Eric Blair	1997-99
5.	148	Antwan Shellman	1999-200°
6.	107	Shuron Washington	1999-2001
7.	97	Haran Walker	1997-99

STEALS

1	. 166	Duwand Jackson	1999-
2	.\ 135	Duriel Coleman	1999-
3	. \ 125	D'Juan Neal	1999-
4	. 124	Antwan Shellman	1999-2001
5	. 105	Deon Spear	1997-99
6	. 93	Eric Blair	1997-99
7	. 92	Shuron Washington	1999-2001
8	. / 88	Bryan Swain	1997-99

FIELD GOALS MADE

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1.	351	Duwand Jackson	1999-
2.	289	Deon Spear	1997-99
3.	283	Haran Walker	1997-99
4.	268	Shuron Washington	1999-2001
5.	257	Wilbur Jordan	1997-98
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MOST THREE-POINT GOALS MADE

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1.	137	Shuron Washingto	n 1999-2001
2.	130	Duriel Coleman	1999-
3.	101	Wilbur Jordan	1997-98
4.	84	Duwand Jackson	1999-
5.	67	Haran Walker	1997-99
6.	65	Antwan Shellman	1999-2001

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Team Season Records

Most Wins: 28, 1999-2000 Most Losses: 18, 1998-99

Best Winning Percentage: .800 (28-7), 1999-2000

Most Points: 3150, 1999-2000

Highest Scoring Average: 90.0, 1999-2000 Most Field Goals Made: 1071, 2000-01 Most Field-Goal Attempts: 2380, 1999-2000 Highest Field-Goal Percentage: .468 (966/2064), 1997-98

Most Three-Point Goals Made: 281, 1999-2000 Most Three-Point Attempts: 735, 1999-2000 Highest Three-Point Percentage: .384 (282/735), 1999-2000

Most Free Throws Made: 650, 1999-2000 Most Free-Throw Attempts: 939, 1999-2000 Highest Free-Throw Percentage: .699 (650/939), 1999-2000

Most Rebounds: 1442, 1999-2000 Most Assists: 584, 2000-01 Most Steals: 430, 1999-2000 Most Blocked Shots: 130, 1999-2000

Team Game Records

Most Points: 141 vs. Carver College, 11/12/99

Most Field Goals Made: 58 vs. Carver College, 11/12/99 Most Field-Goal Attempts: 99 vs. Carver College,

11/12/99

Most Three-Point Goals Made: 15 vs. Huntingdon,

2/14/00

Most Three-Point Attempts: 34 vs. Auburn-Montgomery,

1/22/01

Most Free Throws Made: 37 vs. Shorter, 2/28/00 Most Free-Throw Attempts: 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 Blocked Shots: 14 vs. Grace College, 12/29/99

"Modern Era" Year-by-Year Results

	Ove	rall	GAC	CC		
Season	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.	Top Scorer	Top Rebounder
2000-01	24-11	.706	12-6	.686	Duwand Jackson (391)	Antonio Graham (208)
1999-00	28-7	.800	18-4	.818	Duwand Jackson (549)	Duwand Jackson (202
1998-99	14-18	.438	10-10	.500	Haran Walker (589)	Deon Spear (161)
1997-98	16-16	.500	7-9	.438	Wilbur Jordan (761)	Deon Spear (184)

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 its apologies to all former Hornet basketball players who should be included in these lists.



Southern Polytechnic State University

Southern Polytechnic State University is a of the nation's member of the University System of Georgia and is fastest growlocated in the historic, vibrant city of Marietta, Ga. Southern Polytechnic is only 20 minutes from downoffers a ditown Atlanta.

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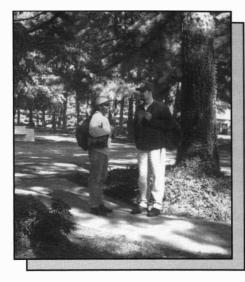
Science curriculum. The School of Architecture earned candidacy for its ac-



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 College of Technology and Arts and the College 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.



An Exciting Place to Live and Learn



Nearby Atlanta, which is located about 10 miles from Marietta and Southern Polytechnic State University, is the economic, educational, recreational and cultural hub of the southeastern United States. It is a land of unlimited opportunity for all who call the city home.

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Business leaders from around the globe recently ranked metro Atlanta the number-one destination for business relocations. More than 700 of the Fortune 1,000 companies have operations in Atlanta. Among the corporations headquartered here are Delta Air Lines, The Coco-Cola Company, Bell South, The Home Depot, SunTrust Banks and Georgia-Pacific.

Atlanta was born as a hub of transportation, and today, the city is still a crossroads known worldwide. Atlanta's Hartsfield International Airport is the world's second busiest, with more than 1,000 flights per day. More than 80 percent of the U.S. population is within two hours of Atlanta (via air travel).

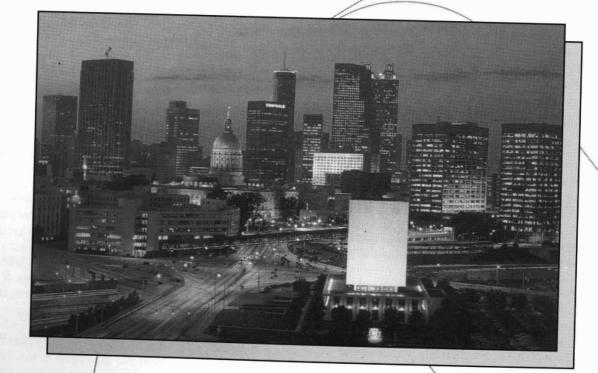
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Marietta

Nestled between the Chattahoochee National Recreation Area and Kennesaw National Battlefield Park lies historic Marietta, Ga. Incorporated in 1834, Marietta is the heart of and is the county seat of Cobb County, Ga. Marietta is thought to be the namesake of the wife of U.S. Senator Thomas Cobb, for whom the county is named.

Situated at the confluence of three Interstate highways, minutes from Hartsfield International Airport and served by CSX and Norfolk Southern rail line Marietta's location provides excellent access. Marietta allows easy access to the world through Marietta FiberNet (140-mile fiber optic loop that allows high speed access to the Internet and rapid transmission of data).

Marietta boasts the lowest millage rate in the Atlanta metropolitan area. Solvay Pharmaceuticals, Kendall, Coloplast and YKK Corporation of America are among the 149 companies that are headquartered in Marietta. Marietta is a diverse community that contains five National Register Historic District sites and where Lockheed-Martin chose to develop the F-22 fighter jet, the next generation of high-tech aircraft. Marietta looks forward to the future while embracing the past.





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 the states of Georgia, Alabama and South Carolina.

In men's basketball, the conference has 10 competing member institutions. Georgia schools that compete in men's basketball are: 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. Southern Wesleyan is the lone representative of the state of South Carolina.

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

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 national office is moving from Tulsa, Okla., to Olathe, Kan., in 2002. A new facility is being constructed that will include the NAIA National Office and the organization's Character in Sport Center. At the heart of the move was the NAIA's commitsportsmanship in athletics with one byproduct being the ability to bring national championships to the Kansas City metropolitan area.

The purpose of the NAIA is to promote the education and development of students through intercollegiate athletic participation. Although member institutions are varied and diverse,

The conference was started in 1949 as the Georgia Intercollegiate the years to maintain a membership of Athletics Conference and had six member schools: Oalethorpe University. Berry College, Valdosta State, North Georgia College, Piedmont College and Georgia Southern College. Only North Georgia remains from that original group as a member of the GACC.

The conference became the Georgia Athletic Conference in 1980 and remained under that name until 1988 when it came under its current name: the Georgia-Alabama-Carolina Conference.

The GACC has worked hard over schools that live by an equally strong educational and athletic base.

Since the conference's inception and affiliation with the NAIA, 12 GACC schools have claimed national championships, nine student-athletes have won individual national titles, 15 teams have finished as national runners-up, 157 student-athletes have received all-America recognition, and more than 500 student-athletes have been selected as All-America Scholar-Athletes by the NAIA.

2000-01 GACC Standings											
	GA	CC	OVE	RALL							
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Auburn-Montgomery	15	3	22	5							
Faulkner University	15	3	28	4							
Southern Polytechnic	12	6	23	10							
Emmanuel	11	7	15	15							
Brewton-Parker	10	8	16	15							
Shorter	9	9	15	15							
Georgia Southwestern	8	10	16	13							
North Georgia	4	14	8	22							
Southern Wesleyan	3	15	5	27							
Reinhardt	3	15	5	27							

The NAIA

share a common commitment to high standards and to the principle that participation in athletics serves as an integral part of the total education process.

Throughout the history of the NAIA, strong leadership and direction have 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 1940s and 50s and established ment to emphasize character and tts first women's championship program in 1980.

The NAIA's primary governing body, the Council of Presidents, is comprised of 32 presidents of both colleges and universities across the U.S.

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.

The NAIA recognizes many student-athletes each year as All-Americans and Scholar-Athletes. Thousands more are recognized at the regional and conference level throughout the country. The NAIA conducts 23 championship events for 13 different sports each season, including 11 for women.

This year the 65th annual national tournament for men's basketball will be held in Municipal Auditorium in Kansas City, Mo., after many years in Tulsa, Okla. The six-day NAIA Tournament on March 13-19 follows a 32-team, single-elimination format with 31 games over six days leaving Sunday as the only open date. The NAIA has maintained a 32-team field since 1938 with the exception of the 16-team national tournament held in 1945.

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