

1959 LSU BASEBALL STATISTICS  
(Final)

BATTING AVERAGES

	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Avg.</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>SB</u>
Lou St. Amant, p	33	3	12	7	.364	4	0	0	0
Andy Bourgeois, 3b	113	25	35	28	.310	5	1	4	7
Frank Naff, rf	89	15	26	21	.292	4	3	1	1
Billy Barfield, lf	15	4	4	5	.267	0	1	0	2
Ronnie Johnston, cf	123	33	32	12	.260	6	1	3	10
Don Purvis, 2b	83	20	18	9	.217	4	1	1	5
Mickey Yerger, cf	74	12	16	6	.216	1	0	1	0
Bob Flowers, p	19	3	4	5	.211	1	0	1	0
Bill Loftin, c	113	14	22	19	.195	4	0	4	0
Denny Hill, lb	41	7	8	8	.195	0	0	1	0
Carey Guglielmo, ss	125	19	23	14	.184	2	1	0	5
Tommy Hampton, p	11	0	2	0	.182	0	0	0	0
Butch Mixon, p	32	5	5	2	.156	1	0	0	0
Mike McKeogh, 2b	45	2	3	0	.067	0	0	0	0
Raul Perdermo, lf	14	1	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1
Fred Falkenheiner, p	7	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0
Jim Altick, p	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0

PITCHING AVERAGES

	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>ERA</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>WP</u>	<u>HB</u>	<u>W-L</u>
Bob Flowers	51	51	24	17	3.00	17	29	1	2	3-4
Butch Mixon	92 2/3	69	41	34	3.10	34	87	1	2	6-3
Fred Falkenheiner	22	16	15	8	3.27	4	7	1	0	1-2
Tommy Hampton	31 1/3	25	12	12	3.45	16	20	1	1	1-2
Lou St. Amant	59 2/3	67	45	33	4.97	18	29	0	2	4-4
Jim Altick	3 2/3	7	11	9	22.09	4	0	0	0	0-2

1959 RESULTS Won - 16; Lost - 17  
SEC - 7-9

<u>LSU</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Pitcher</u>	<u>LSU</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Pitcher</u>
14	Loyola 10	Mixon	6	Miss. State	4
7	Southwestern 0	St. Amant	4	Alabama	3
4	Southeastern 8	Altick	3	Alabama	8
3	N. Illinois 1	Bob Loftin	2	Miss. State	3
6	S. Illinois 11	Falkenheiner	3	Miss. State	4
0	Northeast 2	Hampton	5	Loyola	4
15	Northwestern 16	Hampton	5	Alabama	1
2	Northeast 7	Altick	9	Alabama	3
6	Northeast 1	Flowers	4	Mississippi	7
10	Miss. State 0	Mixon	5	Mississippi	9
0	Miss. State 7	Falkenheiner	1	Southwestern	2
7	Northwestern 3	St. Amant	7	Tulane	9
3	Oklahoma 4	Mixon	6	Tulane	1
21	Wheaton 4	St. Amant	7	Southeastern	5
0	Mississippi 7	Mixon	4	Tulane	3
8	Mississippi 5	Flowers	2	Tulane	3
6	Miss. State 8	St. Amant			

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Louisiana State University has a colorful 42-year old baseball history. Without interruption, LSU has fielded a baseball team every Spring since ~~1917~~ 1917.

The first coach, C. C. "Doc" Stroud (1918-1919) led the Tigers to one of their most successful seasons in 1919. That year LSU ~~had a fine young pitcher named Tom Staples, who threw a perfect game against Louisiana College in a 9-0 win. Staples also pitched and won a double header that season.~~

LSU's Tigers have an overall baseball record of 359 wins and 355 losses. Tiger coaches, particularly in the early years, supplimented their collegiate schedules with competition against professional opponents, which gave the Bengals excellent experience bu seldom chance for victory.

Among the Tigers' most noteworthy losses was a 17-7 defeat at the hands of the Chicago White Sox in 1925. Other pro opponents included Indianapolis of the American Association, Nashville and New Orleans of the Southern ~~Association~~ Association, plus several teams from Louisiana's celebrated Class "C" Evangeline League. While the Tigers won often from the Class "C" teams they also defeated New Orleans 5-4 in 1940.

Coach Harry Rabenhorst, now assistant to the Director of Athletics, had much to do with the development of LSU baseball. He came to the universit in 1925 and retired from active coaching in 1956.

In that period -- more than a quarter of a century -- Rabenhorst developed many outstanding players. There was pitcher Joe Grevemberg who hurled a no-hitter against arch-rival Tulane in 1926.

~~Seven~~ Seven Tiger baseballers made it to the major leagues, Walter Cress, Cincinnati; Dave Madison, Detroit; Buddy Blair, Yankees; Connie Ryan, Philadelphia; Al Dark, ~~Chicago~~ Chicago; Joe Adcock, Milwaukee; and Al Swanson, Pitts Madison and Blair graduated from the university.

Perhaps LSU's best team was that of 1939, which won 22 and lost 5, and w the Southeastern Conference championship. The Tigers, led by first baseman Paul Brotherton, outfielder Ken Kavanaugh, and pitcher Jesse Danna, a had a winning streak of 13 straight games before losing to Minnesota in a swing through the Western (Big Ten) Conference. They also started an 11-game strea which ended in the 1940 season when LSU won 16 and lost 5.

Other outstanding teams for the Bengals included those of 1943 and 1946 -- both Southeastern Conference championship teams. In '43 LSU had an 1 record, and a 10-5 mark in '46.

LSU owns its ball park, Alex Box Stadium (concrete structure) which has a seating capacity of 3500.

The present coach is Raymond Didier.

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