



2013 LSU Softball

No. 10 LSU vs. Ole Miss

Feb. 13 • Oxford, Miss. • 5 p.m.

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SETTING THE SCENE

- ▶ No. 10 LSU will play its first game of the season away from the friendly confines of Tiger Park when the Tigers meet Ole Miss Wednesday for a rare non-conference match-up.
- ▶ LSU posted a 4-1 record on opening weekend at the Tiger Classic highlighted by victories over No. 22 North Carolina and Tulsa, a pair of NCAA Regional and 40-win programs from a season ago.
- ▶ As part of their 24-game SEC schedule which begins on March 9, the Tigers will not play Auburn, Florida, Ole Miss and Tennessee for a three-game series in the regular season.
- ▶ The last time LSU played an SEC opponent during the non-conference portion of its schedule was a 5-2 victory over No. 6 Georgia at the NFCA Leadoff Classic during the 2004 season.
- ▶ LSU holds a 43-7 series edge over Ole Miss and have won eight of the last nine meetings dating back to the 2009 season. The Tigers notched a 2-1 victory during the program's inaugural "Strikeout Ovarian Cancer" event on April 21.

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WHAT'S NEXT

- ▶ LSU returns home to play host to the Purple & Gold Challenge as Memphis, Nicholls State, North Dakota State and Virginia this weekend at Tiger Park.

SCHEDULE/RESULTS (4-1, 0-0 SEC)

FEBRUARY [0-0]

8	No. 22/21 North Carolina [1]	W, 8-0 [5]
8	Purdue [1]	W, 1-0
9	RV/RV Tulsa [1]	W, 1-0 [10]
9	Hampton [1]	W, 9-3
10	No. 22/21 North Carolina [1]	L, 3-1
13	at Ole Miss	5 p.m.
15	North Dakota State [2]	4:30 p.m.
15	Virginia [2]	7 p.m.
16	Virginia [2]	5 p.m.
16	Memphis [2]	7:30 p.m.
17	Nicholls State [2]	3 p.m.
21	vs. BYU [3]	Noon
22	vs. RV/RV Ohio State [3]	5 p.m.
22	vs. UNLV [3]	7:30 p.m.
23	vs. No. 16/19 Arizona [3]	7 p.m.
24	vs. No. 19/18 UCLA [3]	11 a.m.

MARCH [0-0]

1	vs. No. 7/9 Oregon [4]	10 a.m.
1	vs. RV/RV Syracuse [4]	12:15 p.m.
2	vs. Penn State [4]	11:15 a.m.
2	vs. No. 14/13 Michigan [4]	3:45 p.m.
3	vs. No. 17/16 Louisville [4]	8 a.m.
8	at RV/RV Mississippi State [SEC]	6 p.m.
9	at RV/RV Mississippi State [SEC]	1 p.m.
10	at RV/RV Mississippi State [SEC]	1 p.m.
13	Nicholls State [CST]	6 p.m.
15	No. 24/22 Kentucky [SEC]	6 p.m.
16	No. 24/22 Kentucky [SEC, CST/CSS]	4 p.m.
17	No. 24/22 Kentucky [SEC]	Noon
19	Georgia Southern [CST]	5 p.m.
19	Georgia Southern	7:30 p.m.
22	South Carolina [SEC]	6 p.m.
23	South Carolina [SEC, CST]	3 p.m.
24	South Carolina [SEC]	1 p.m.
26	Southeastern Louisiana	6 p.m.
27	at RV/RV South Alabama	7 p.m.
30	Samford	1 p.m.
30	Samford	3:30 p.m.

APRIL [0-0]

3	at No. 25/21 Florida State	4 p.m.
3	at No. 25/21 Florida State	6:30 p.m.
5	at Arkansas [SEC]	6 p.m.
6	at Arkansas [SEC]	1 p.m.
7	at Arkansas [SEC]	1 p.m.
12	at No. 11/10 Texas A&M [SEC]	7 p.m.
13	at No. 11/10 Texas A&M [SEC, ESPN]	2:30 p.m.
14	at No. 11/10 Texas A&M [SEC, FSN]	12:30 p.m.
17	at McNeese State	7 p.m.
19	No. 8/7 Missouri [SEC]	6 p.m.
20	No. 8/7 Missouri [SEC]	6 p.m.
21	No. 8/7 Missouri [SEC, CST]	1 p.m.
25	No. 1/2 Alabama [SEC, ESPN2]	7 p.m.
26	No. 1/2 Alabama [SEC]	6 p.m.
27	No. 1/2 Alabama [SEC, CST]	1 p.m.
30	Northwestern State	6 p.m.

MAY/JUNE [0-0]

3	at No. 13/14 Georgia [SEC]	5 p.m.
4	at No. 13/14 Georgia [SEC, CST/CSS]	Noon
5	at No. 13/14 Georgia [SEC, ESPN]	2 p.m.
8-11	SEC Tournament	TBA
16-19	NCAA Regionals	TBA
23-26	NCAA Super Regionals	TBA
30-J5	Women's College World Series	TBA

All game times are Central and subject to change; Rankings reflect NFCA and USA Softball Top 25 polls on day of game; Home games are bolded and played at Tiger Park; [SEC] Southeastern Conference game; [1] Tiger Classic [Tiger Park]; [2] Purple & Gold Challenge [Tiger Park]; [3] Mary Nutter Collegiate Classic [Palm Springs, Calif.]; [4] Diamond 9 Citrus Classic [Orlando, Fla.]; [5] SEC Tournament [Lexington, Ky.]; [FSN] Fox Sports Network; [CSS] Charter Sports Southeast; [CST] Cox Sports Television; [ESPN, ESPN2, ESPNU, ESPN3.com] SEC on ESPN Family of Networks.

LSU'S SEC CHAMPIONSHIP TRADITION

YEAR	EAST	WEST	OVERALL	TOURNAMENT
1997	South Carolina	LSU	South Carolina	South Carolina
1998	Florida	LSU	Florida	Alabama
1999	Tenn, USC	LSU	LSU	LSU
2000	Kentucky	LSU	LSU	South Carolina
2001	South Carolina	LSU	LSU	LSU
2002	South Carolina	LSU	LSU	LSU
2003	Georgia	Alabama	Georgia	Alabama
2004	Tennessee	LSU	LSU	LSU
2005	Georgia	Alabama	Georgia	Alabama
2006	Georgia	Alabama	Alabama	Tennessee
2007	Tennessee	LSU	Tennessee	LSU
2008	Florida	Alabama	Florida	Florida
2009	Florida	Alabama	Florida	Florida
2010	Florida	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama
2011	Florida	Alabama	Alabama	Tennessee
2012	Tennessee	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama

CHAMPIONSHIPS	DIVISION	OVERALL	TOURNAMENT
LSU	8	5	5
Alabama	8	4	5
Florida	5	3	2
South Carolina	4	1	2
Tennessee	4	1	2
Georgia	3	2	0
Kentucky	1	0	0

QUICK FACTS

UNIVERSITY	
Location	Baton Rouge, La.
Founded	1860
Enrollment	28,771
Nickname	Tigers or Fighting Tigers
Colors	Purple and Gold
Mascot	Mike VI [live Bengal tiger]
Conference	Southeastern
Website	www.lsusports.net
President [Interim]	Dr. William Jenkins
Chancellor [Interim]	Dr. William Jenkins
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Assistant AD/Ticket Manager	Brian Broussard
Assistant AD/Marketing	Matt Shanklin

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach	Beth Torina
Record at LSU [Seasons]	44-26 [2]
Career Record [Seasons]	173-137 [6]
Assistant Coach	Howard Dobson
Year at LSU	2nd Season
Assistant Coach	Lindsay Leftwich
Year at LSU	2nd Season
Director of Operations	Quinlan Duhon
Year at LSU	4th Season

TEAM INFORMATION

2012 Overall Record [SEC Record]	40-25 [15-13 SEC]
2012 SEC Overall Finish [Division Finish]	T-5th [2nd – West]
2012 SEC Tournament Finish	Quarterfinals [Florida]
2012 Postseason Women's College World Series [Arizona State]	
2012 Final Ranking [NFCA/USA Softball]	7/6
Letterwinners Returning/Lost	12/9
Starters Returning/Lost	5/4
Pitchers Returning/Lost	2/1
Newcomers	6

FACILITY INFORMATION

Name [Capacity]	Tiger Park [2,489]
Dimensions [L-R]	200-210-220-210-200
Press Box Number	[225] 578-0154

PROGRAM HISTORY

All-Time Record [Percentage]	787-248-1 [.760]
NCAA Tournament Appearances	14
Years	1998-2004, 2006-2012
NCAA Tournament Record	44-29 [.603]
Women's College World Series Appearances	3
Years	2001, 2004 & 2012

SEC HISTORY

All-Time SEC Record [Percentage]	329-125-1 [.724]
SEC Western Division Titles	8
Years	1997-2002, 2004 & 2007
SEC Regular Season Titles	5
Years	1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2004
All-Time SEC Tournament Record	36-16 [.692]
SEC Tournament Titles	5
Years	1999, 2001, 2002, 2004, 2007

POSSIBLE STARTING LINEUP - DEPTH CHART

POS	NAME	HT	CL.	GP-GS	H-AB	AVG	OB%	SLG%	R	BB	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SF-SH	SB-ATT
C	Lauren Houston	5-4	Sr.	2-2	1-3	.333	.500	.333	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0-0	0-0
C	Kellsie Kloss	5-8	Fr.	3-3	2-6	.333	.500	1.000	1	2	1	0	1	2	6	0-0	0-0
1B	Sandra Simmons	5-6	Fr.	5-5	0-8	.000	.182	.000	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1-2	0-0
1B	Dylan Supak	5-11	So.	1-0	0-2	.000	.333	.000	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0
2B	Bianka Bell	5-5	Fr.	5-5	4-14	.286	.353	.357	2	2	1	0	0	3	5	1-0	1-2
2B	Rikki Alcaraz	5-2	So.	4-0	0-1	.000	.500	.000	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	1-1
SS	Allison Falcon	5-3	Jr.	5-5	6-14	.429	.471	.643	3	2	3	0	0	3	9	1-0	0-0
3B	Tammy Wray	5-7	Jr.	5-5	1-13	.077	.200	.308	2	2	0	0	1	4	4	0-0	0-0
LF	Jacee Blades	5-7	Jr.	4-3	3-9	.333	.400	.444	2	1	1	0	0	0	4	0-0	2-2
LF	Katie Guillory	5-6	Sr.	2-2	2-5	.400	.400	.400	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0-0	0-0
CF	Simone Heyward	5-1	Jr.	4-3	0-4	.000	.600	.000	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	1-2
CF	Alayna Falcon	5-3	Fr.	1-0	0-1	.000	.000	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0
RF	A.J. Andrews	5-4	So.	5-5	5-15	.333	.444	.333	3	2	0	0	0	3	5	0-0	3-3
RF	Alex Boulet	5-0	Jr.	2-2	0-4	.000	.000	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-1	0-0
DP	Kailey McCasland	5-5	So.	4-4	1-5	.200	.667	.200	2	5	0	0	0	0	1	0-0	1-1
DP	Hailey Smith	5-4	Fr.	2-1	2-5	.400	.400	.400	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	0-0	0-0

IN THE CIRCLE

POS	NAME	HT	CL.	APP-GS	W-L	ERA	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	WP-HP	OP BA
P	Rachele Fico	5-7	Sr.	3-2	2-0	0.41	2	2/0	0	17.0	10	1	1	4	20	2-1	.167
P	Meghan Patterson	5-7	Jr.	2-2	1-1	1.17	1	1/0	0	12.0	6	2	2	2	9	0-0	.143
P	Ashley Czechner	5-10	Jr.	1-1	1-0	3.00	1	0/0	0	7.0	5	3	3	4	5	0-2	.208
P	Bianka Bell	5-5	Fr.	0-0	0-0	0.00	0	0/0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	.000

2013 ROSTER

NO.	NAME	POS	HT.	B-T	CL.-EXP	HOMETOWN [PREVIOUS SCHOOL]
1	Rikki Alcaraz	INF	5-2	L-R	So.-1L	Orland Park, Ill. [Marist HS]
3	Sandra Simmons	INF	5-6	L-L	Fr.-HS	Fountain Valley, Calif. [Marina HS]
6	A.J. Andrews	OF	5-4	L-R	So.-1L	Oldsmar, Fla. [Crowley HS]
9	Alex Boulet	OF	5-0	L-L	Jr.-2L	Crowley, La. [Notre Dame HS]
11	Dylan Supak	UTL	5-11	R-R	So.-1L	LaGrange, Texas [LaGrange HS]
13	Katie Guillory	OF	5-6	L-L	R Sr.-3L	Lafayette, La. [Carenco HS]
16	Lauren Houston	C	5-5	R-R	Sr.-3L	Youngsville, La. [St. Thomas More HS]
18	Tammy Wray	INF	5-7	R-R	Jr.-2L	Somers, N.Y. [Somers HS]
20	Meghan Patterson	P	5-7	R-R	Jr.-2L	Destrehan, La. [Mount Carmel Academy]
21	Hailey Smith	INF	5-4	R-R	Fr.-HS	Bristow, Va. [Stonewall Jackson HS]
23	Jacee Blades	UTL	5-7	L-R	Jr.-2L	Baton Rouge, La. [Parkview Baptist]
24	Alayna Falcon	UTL	5-3	R-R	Fr.-HS	Donaldsonville, La. [Ascension Catholic HS]
25	Simone Heyward	OF	5-1	L-R	Jr.-2L	Sacramento, Calif. [Rosemont HS]
27	Bianka Bell	INF	5-5	R-R	Fr.-HS	Tampa, Fla. [Chamberlain HS]
32	Allison Falcon	UTL	5-3	R-R	R Jr.-2L	Donaldsonville, La. [Ascension Catholic HS]
33	Kailey McCasland	UTL	5-5	R-R	So.-1L	San Clemente, Calif. [San Clemente HS]
37	Rachele Fico	P	5-7	R-R	Sr.-3L	Oxford, Conn. [Masuk HS]
77	Kellsie Kloss	C	5-8	R-R	Fr.-HS	Cypress, Calif. [Pacifica HS]
99	Ashley Czechner	P	5-10	R-R	Jr.-Tr.	Pawley's Island, S.C. [Maryland]

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Beth Torina [Florida, 2000]	Assistant Coach: Lindsay Leftwich [Northwestern State, 2005]
Assistant Coach: Howard Dobson [McNeese State, 1997]	Volunteer Coach: Sharonda McDonald [Texas A&M, 2008]
Director of Operations: Quinlan Duhon [LSU, 2008]	

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Rikki ALCARAZ	awl-KUHL-raz	Rachele FICO	FEE-co
Katie GUILLORY	Gill-or-ree	JACEE Blades	Jay-CEE
Alex BOULET	BOO-lay	Dylan SUPAK	SHOO-pak
Ashley CZECHNER	check-NER		

COACHING STAFF

Beth TORINA	tohr-REE-na
Quinlan DUHON	do-YAWN

2013 SEASON OUTLOOK

- The 2013 LSU softball team is ready to "Rule the Day" and get back to the pinnacle of the sport with a return trip to the Women's College World Series under second-year coach Beth Torina.
- The Tigers embraced the philosophy of "Whatever It Takes" last season as seven seniors left their mark on the program and built on LSU's championship legacy.
- Once again, LSU has all of the necessary ingredients in place with a solid nucleus of experience, depth and talented newcomers to reach its goals.
- "The theme 'Rule the Day' is all about details and earning it every day," Torina said. "The Player of the Day gets a ruler, and it's the measuring stick of the day. You earned it, you did the work and you were the player that stood out the most. It's about ruling everything we do and not just our practices. We want them to rule every day and look at it as a day-to-day process not a season long goal. We try to rule every detail we come across during the day."
- "This team understands that they have to be themselves," Torina continued. "They have to win and get to their goals in their own way. There's no doubt that they are a very different type of team. I think the taste and experience of the College World Series is something that will take us a long way. I'm making them understand that isn't something that entitles them or gives them extra benefits. We preach that to them on a daily basis."
- Below is a position-by-position preview of the Tigers.
- **The Battery**
- LSU has had a longstanding tradition as one of the nation's premier pitching programs as five different players have collected NFCA All-American status over the years. One of those five hurlers is back for her senior campaign in Rachele Fico.
- Fico, a 2013 All-SEC Preseason-Team selection and 2012 USA Softball Player of the Year Top 25 finalist, highlights a four-arm arsenal. She racked up 20 victories, while her 1.12 ERA and 13 shutouts were fourth and fifth nationally, respectively.
- Fico secured marquee victories over eventual national champion

Alabama along with a pair of victories over Texas A&M and Missouri en route to NCAA College Station Regional and NCAA Columbia Super Regional MVP honors last season. The Connecticut native enters her senior season 35 Ks away from becoming the fifth pitcher in program history to reach 600 career strikeouts.

- "There's no doubt that Rachele had a spectacular season and was a big part of our program returning to the Women's College World Series," Torina said. "The great thing about Rachele is that she's always wants to get better and has worked extremely hard during the offseason. She's a fantastic competitor, a great teammate and the type of person that is far less interested in individual awards and more invested in what she can do to help her team win."
- All Meghan Patterson has done in her first two seasons in the Purple and Gold has won 10 of her 11 career decisions and recorded 131 strikeouts over her 92.0 innings of action. She was touched up for only for only two runs over her 32 frames last season.
- "Meghan has truly waited her turn," Torina said. "Sitting behind Brittany Mack and Rachele Fico for the last two years is a tough job. She played that role to the absolute best you could ask someone. She is so talented and deserves every minute she will pitch this year. She has great pitches and moves the ball around the zone the best of anyone on this staff. She is capable of throwing any pitch in any count in any location."
- Ashley Czechner is coming off a national championship season at Chattanooga State where she was named the NJCAA's Pitcher of the Year on the junior college level. She amassed a 37-4 record, a stifling 0.72 ERA and 370 strikeouts. When not in the infield, Bianka Bell also could see some time for the Tigers in the circle.
- "Ashley is a gamer, I don't think I know everything there is to know about her just yet," Torina said. "I would like to see what she is capable of doing in competition. I feel she is one of those fierce competitors that when the game is on the line wants the ball."
- Calling the shots for LSU behind the dish will be Lauren Houston and Kelsi Kloss. Houston has garnered 105 appearances over her

SERIES HISTORY • OLE MISS

AT A GLANCE [OLE MISS]

Overall	LSU leads 43-7
Home	LSU leads 21-4
Away	LSU leads 22-3
Neutral	None
Streak	L-1

GAME-BY-GAME

Date	Result	Location
03/29/97	W, 6-2	Baton Rouge
03/29/97	W, 4-1	Baton Rouge
03/30/97	W, 4-1	Baton Rouge
03/30/97	W, 13-2	Baton Rouge
03/28/98	W, 4-3	Oxford
03/28/98	L, 6-5	Oxford
03/29/98	W, 6-2	Oxford
03/29/98	W, 9-0	Oxford
04/02/99	L, 2-1	Baton Rouge
04/02/99	W, 2-0	Baton Rouge
04/03/99	W, 9-1	Baton Rouge
04/03/99	W, 2-0	Baton Rouge
03/31/00	W, 5-3	Oxford
03/31/00	W, 3-0	Oxford
04/01/00	W, 7-1	Oxford
04/01/00	W, 1-0	Oxford
04/28/01	W, 8-0	Baton Rouge
04/28/01	W, 8-1	Baton Rouge
04/29/01	W, 11-1	Baton Rouge
04/27/02	W, 1-0	Oxford
04/27/02	W, 4-0	Oxford

Date	Result	Location
04/28/02	W, 3-0	Oxford
04/18/03	W, 10-6	Baton Rouge
04/18/03	W, 3-0	Baton Rouge
04/19/03	W, 6-3	Baton Rouge
04/17/04	W, 2-1	Oxford
04/17/04	W, 5-0	Oxford
04/18/04	W, 5-1	Oxford
04/16/05	W, 2-0	Baton Rouge
04/16/05	W, 3-1	Baton Rouge
04/17/05	W, 4-2	Baton Rouge
03/11/06	W, 6-1	Oxford
03/11/06	W, 2-1	Oxford
03/12/06	W, 10-0	Oxford
03/10/07	L, 2-1	Oxford
03/10/07	W, 2-0	Oxford
03/11/07	W, 4-0	Oxford
04/12/08	W, 8-5	Baton Rouge
04/12/08	L, 3-1	Baton Rouge
04/13/08	L, 2-0	Baton Rouge
03/24/09	L, 3-2	Oxford
03/24/09	W, 5-2	Oxford
03/17/10	W, 7-1	Baton Rouge
03/17/10	W, 2-1	Baton Rouge
04/22/11	W, 8-0	Oxford
04/23/11	W, 4-0	Oxford
04/24/11	W, 4-0	Oxford
04/20/12	W, 4-0	Baton Rouge
04/21/12	W, 2-1	Baton Rouge
04/22/12	L, 1-0	Baton Rouge

SEC STANDINGS

Western Division

TEAM	SEC	PCT.	OVERALL	PCT.
Alabama	0-0	.000	5-0	1.000
Arkansas	0-0	.000	5-0	1.000
Auburn	0-0	.000	5-0	1.000
Texas A&M	0-0	.000	4-0	1.000
LSU	0-0	.000	4-1	.800
Mississippi State	0-0	.000	3-1	.750
Ole Miss	0-0	.000	2-4	.333

Eastern Division

TEAM	SEC	PCT.	OVERALL	PCT.
Tennessee	0-0	.000	5-0	1.000
Florida	0-0	.000	5-0	1.000
South Carolina	0-0	.000	4-0	1.000
Kentucky	0-0	.000	4-2	.667
Georgia	0-0	.000	3-2	.600
Missouri	0-0	.000	0-0	.000

THIS WEEK IN SEC SOFTBALL - ALL TIMES ARE CENTRAL

Tuesday, February 12

No. 1 Alabama vs. South Alabama PPD

Wednesday, February 13

Arkansas at Jackson State [DH] 3 p.m.

No. 10 LSU at Ole Miss 5 p.m.

No. 11 Texas A&M at Sam Houston State 5 p.m.

No. 5 Florida at Jacksonville 5 p.m.

Auburn vs. Samford 6 p.m.

Mississippi State at No. 15 Louisiana-Lafayette 6 p.m.

Thursday, February 14

No. 22 Kentucky vs. Cal Poly 5:30 p.m.

Auburn vs. Indiana State 6 p.m.

No. 22 Kentucky vs. San Diego State 8 p.m.

USA TODAY/NFCA TOP 25 • FEB. 12

RANK	TEAM	RECORD	PTS	PVS
1	Alabama (21)	5-0	763	1
2	Oklahoma (10)	5-0	754	2
3	Arizona State	7-0	710	4
4	Tennessee	5-0	668	6
5	Florida	5-0	610	14
6	Texas	5-0	604	7
7	Oregon	4-2	574	5
8	Missouri	0-0	557	8
9	California	2-2	532	3
10	LSU	4-1	516	10
11	Texas A&M	4-0	439	17
12	South Florida	3-1	433	12
13	Georgia	3-2	360	9
14	Michigan	3-1	352	15
15	Louisiana Lafayette	2-1	335	11
16	Arizona	3-2	285	13
17	Louisville	4-1	269	18
18	Washington	4-2	263	16
19	UCLA	3-1	224	19
20	Hawai'i	5-1	193	23
21	Hofstra	0-0	167	20
22	Stanford	4-2	147	21
23	North Carolina	3-2	93	22
24	Kentucky	4-2	79	RV
25	Florida State	4-0	74	25

Dropped Out: No. 24 Baylor

RV: Georgia Tech 30, Baylor 13, DePaul 10, Ohio State 8, Tulsa 7, Virginia Tech 3, Syracuse 2 and South Alabama 1.

Bold - 2012 Opponent; [RV] Receiving Votes

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RANK	TEAM	RECORD	PTS	PVS
1	Oklahoma (12)	5-0	492	2
2	Alabama (8)	5-0	487	1
3	Arizona State	7-0	456	4
4	Tennessee	5-0	435	5
5	Florida	5-0	388	15
6	Texas	5-0	372	9
7	Missouri	0-0	368	7
8	California	2-2	353	3
9	Oregon	4-2	336	6
10	Texas A&M	4-0	299	17
11	LSU	4-1	298	12
12	South Florida	3-1	285	10
13	Michigan	3-1	256	13
14	Georgia	3-2	213	8
15	Louisiana-Lafayette	2-1	192	11
T16	Louisville	4-1	175	18
T16	Washington	4-2	175	16
18	UCLA	3-1	162	19
19	Arizona	3-2	134	14
20	Stanford	4-2	122	20
21	Florida State	4-0	105	24
22	Kentucky	4-2	102	RV
23	Hawai'i	5-1	96	25
24	Georgia Tech	5-0	47	RV
25	Hofstra	0-0	41	T22

Dropped Out: No. 21 North Carolina and No. 22 Baylor

RV: North Carolina 40; Baylor 36; Virginia Tech 10; South Alabama 8; San Diego State 6; Tulsa 5; Syracuse 2; DePaul 2 and Mississippi State 2.

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three seasons and tallied a career-best .429 on-base percentage last season, while Kloss was a three-time All-Empire League honoree at Pacifica High School in California.

- **The Infield**
- LSU's infield will have a veteran presence as three of the four starters from last year's WCWS squad return to the fold.
- Allison Falcon, one of team's three captains, will split time at shortstop and second base during the season. She bounced back with a breakout sophomore campaign after missing most of 2011 due to injury. She was second on the team in batting average, homers and RBIs during LSU's run to OKC.
- "The way Allison leads the team on the field is very different from her personality off the field," Torina said. "When I have her in the middle infield, it's almost like I don't have to coach. I think she's the one person on the team that could fit in with anyone on the team. It's because she has that good repore with her teammates not to mention she is ridiculously intelligent. She understands the game and understands exactly what we're needed her to do."
- Bianka Bell, the 2012 Florida Gatorade Player of the Year and NFCA High School All-America First-Team honoree, is penciled in to see action at both middle infield spots. During her prep career, she led Chamberlain High School to a 7A championship and was a USA Softball Junior National Team Camp participant.
- Rikki Alcaraz also will be in the middle infield mix and made the most of her opportunities with hits in nine of her 16 starts last season.
- Tammy Wray returns to the hot corner and has started 112 of a potential 123 games over her first two seasons. She will look to regain the offensive form of her freshman season where she belted eight home runs and 33 RBIs to rank second and third on the team.
- Dylan Supak and Sandra Simmons are candidates to start at first base. Supak, the incumbent with 43 starts last season, delivered five multi-RBI efforts to rank third on the team. Simmons, a hard-nosed southpaw, is a four-time All-Sunset League recipient at Marina High School in California.
- Along with Bell and Simmons, Hailey Smith is another one of the three ESPN Top 100 recruits the Tigers bring into the infield from Stonewall Jackson High School in Virginia. She is a candidate to log time at third base and designated player.
- "We have some very talented freshmen in Bell, Simmons and Smith," Torina said. "They're very aggressive hitters and very aggressive players. I feel these three are very capable of setting the tone for our offense and bringing our lineup a different mentality."
- **The Outfield**
- LSU's outfield will have to fill the void left by a pair of experienced starters in Ashley Langoni and Ashley Applegate. The duo combined for 406 career starts, and Langoni was the team's leader in batting average, home runs and RBIs. However, the Tigers have the ability to not miss a beat and will once again be characterized

by speed, power and depth.

- Simone Heyward and A.J. Andrews, who collected 2011 and 2012 All-SEC Freshman-Team accolades, will more than likely start in centerfield and one of the corner positions between them.
- Andrews was second on the team in runs scored primarily from the leadoff spot. She also swiped a team-high 15 stolen bases and provided one of the most memorable moments of the season when she crossed the plate for the game's only run on an infield sacrifice fly versus South Florida at the WCWS.
- Heyward came on strong in the postseason after missing a majority of her sophomore season with an injury. She cranked her lone extra-base hit of the season, a three-run double, to erase a 1-0 hole during the deciding game of the NCAA Columbia Super Regional at Missouri.
- "We have wonderful speed in the outfield," Torina said. "The group has learned a lot during the fall season under the tutelage our new volunteer coach Sharonda McDonald, who was a former All-American at Texas A&M. She has impacted them so much not only with their defense, but with slapping on the offensive side."
- Jacee Blades, Alex Boulet, Alayna Falcon, Katie Guillory and Kailley McCasland give the Tigers a lot of depth in the outfield. When not in the outfield, all five are in the running to see at-bats in the designated player role.
- Blades saw 21 of her 27 starts at DP a season ago, and her speed gives LSU another left-handed option in the lineup. She shared the team-lead with five sacrifice hits.
- Boulet notched 27 of her 34 appearances last season as a pinch runner and had a knack for scoring the game-winning run on multiple occasions. She also registered an outfield assist against Arizona State at the WCWS.
- Falcon was a two-time All-District and an All-State performer out of Donaldsonville.
- Guillory was chosen as one of the team's three captains leading into the season. She missed the entire 2012 season due to injury and will be in the mix to see time in the outfield this season.
- "Katie is the vocal leader for the team and this year's class of captains," Torina said. "She truly is the heart of this program. There is a huge difference in the way our team prepares and performs when Katie is around. This was more than obvious when we got to have her back in our dugout during last season's postseason run. She works so hard herself, but she also pushes the others to expect the same effort in their own performance."
- Moving from the infield to the outfield is McCasland, a powerful right-hander. She earned 19 starts and also played a valuable pinch hitting role late last season where she recorded RBIs against Florida, Tennessee and Texas A&M.

TIGERS IN THE POLLS

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Preseason	No. 10 [475]
Feb. 12	No. 10 [516]
Feb. 19	
Feb. 26	
March 5	
March 12	
March 19	
March 26	
April 2	
April 9	
April 16	
April 23	
April 30	
May 7	
May 14	
Final	

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Preseason	No. 12 [263]
Feb. 12	No. 11 [298]
Feb. 19	
Feb. 26	
March 5	
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(All games Sorted by Batting avg)



Record: 4-1 Home: 4-1 Away: 0-0 SEC: 0-0

Player	avg	gp-gs	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	tb	slg%	bb	hp	so	gdp	ob%	sf	sh	sb-att	po	a	e	fld%	
32 Allison Falcon	.429	5-5	14	3	6	3	0	0	3	9	.643	2	0	0	0	.471	1	0	0-0	8	10	0	1.000	
6 A.J. Andrews	.333	5-5	15	3	5	0	0	0	3	5	.333	2	1	1	0	.444	0	0	3-3	11	0	0	1.000	
27 Bianka Bell	.286	5-5	14	2	4	1	0	0	3	5	.357	2	0	0	2	.353	1	0	1-2	11	10	2	.913	
18 Tammy Wray	.077	5-5	13	2	1	0	0	1	4	4	.308	2	0	4	0	.200	0	0	0-0	3	10	0	1.000	

13 Katie Guillory	.400	2-2	5	1	2	0	0	0	0	2	.400	0	0	0	0	.400	0	0	0-0	2	0	0	1.000	
21 Hailey Smith	.400	2-1	5	1	2	0	0	0	1	2	.400	0	0	0	0	.400	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000	
23 Jacee Blades	.333	4-3	9	2	3	1	0	0	0	4	.444	1	0	0	0	.400	0	0	2-2	2	0	0	1.000	
77 Kellsi Kloss	.333	3-3	6	1	2	1	0	1	2	6	1.000	2	0	0	0	.500	0	0	0-0	16	1	0	1.000	
16 Lauren Houston	.333	2-2	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	.333	1	0	0	0	.500	0	0	0-0	19	1	0	1.000	
33 Kailey McCasland	.200	4-4	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	.200	5	2	0	0	.667	0	0	1-1	0	0	0	.000	
3 Sandra Simmons	.000	5-5	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	.000	1	1	1	0	.182	1	2	0-0	24	0	0	1.000	
25 Simone Heyward	.000	4-3	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	3	3	1	0	.600	0	0	1-2	2	0	0	1.000	
9 Alex Boulet	.000	2-2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	.000	0	1	0-0	3	0	0	1.000	
11 Dylan Supak	.000	1-0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	1	0	.333	0	0	0-0	7	0	0	1.000	
24 Alayna Falcon	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000	
1 Rikki Alcaraz	.000	4-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0	.500	0	0	1-1	0	0	0	.000	
Totals	.248	5	109	20	27	6	0	2	17	39	.358	23	7	10	2	.401	3	3	9-11	108	40	2	.987	
Opponents	.167	5	126	6	21	2	0	1	6	26	.206	10	3	34	1	.243	1	3	1-3	96	42	2	.986	

LOB - Team (30), Opp (30). DPs turned - Team (1), Opp (4).

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	era	w-l	app	gs	cg	sho	sv	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	2b	3b	hr	b/avg	wp	hp	bk	sfa	sha
37 Rachele Fico	0.41	2-0	3	2	2	2/0	0	17.0	10	1	1	4	20	0	0	0	.167	2	1	0	1	1
20 Meghan Patterson	1.17	1-1	2	2	1	1/0	0	12.0	6	2	2	2	9	1	0	0	.143	0	0	0	0	1
99 Ashley Czechner	3.00	1-0	1	1	1	0/0	0	7.0	5	3	3	4	5	1	0	1	.208	0	2	0	0	1
Totals	1.17	4-1	5	5	4	3/0	0	36.0	21	6	6	10	34	2	0	1	.167	2	3	0	1	3
Opponents	3.94	1-4	5	5	2	0/0	0	32.0	27	20	18	23	10	6	0	2	.248	4	7	0	3	3

PB - Team (0), Opp (3). SBA/ATT - Patterson (1-2), Kloss (1-2), Fico (0-1), Houston (0-1).

STARTERS BY POSITION RECORD

P	STARTS	RECORD	SS	STARTS	RECORD	RF	STARTS	RECORD
Rachele Fico	2	2-0	Bianka Bell	3	2-1	Jacee Blades	2	1-1
Meghan Patterson	2	1-1	Allison Falcon	2	2-0	Katie Guillory	2	2-0
Ashley Czechner	1	1-0				A.J. Andrews	1	1-0
C	STARTS	RECORD	3B	STARTS	RECORD	DP	STARTS	RECORD
Kellsi Kloss	3	2-1	Tammy Wray	5	4-1	Kailey McCasland	4	3-1
Lauren Houston	2	2-0				Hailey Smith	1	1-0
1B	STARTS	RECORD	LF	STARTS	RECORD			
Sandra Simmons	5	4-1	A.J. Andrews	2	2-0			
			Alex Boulet	2	1-1			
			Jacee Blades	1	1-0			
2B	STARTS	RECORD	CF	STARTS	RECORD			
Allison Falcon	3	2-1	Simone Heyward	3	3-0			
Bianka Bell	2	2-0	A.J. Andrews	2	1-1			



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32 Allison Falcon	.455	4-4	11	3	5	2	0	0	2	7	.636	2	0	0	0	.500	1	0	0-0	7	8	0	1.000
6 A.J. Andrews	.455	4-4	11	3	5	0	0	0	3	5	.455	2	1	0	0	.571	0	0	2-2	8	0	0	1.000
27 Bianka Bell	.333	4-4	12	2	4	1	0	0	3	5	.417	1	0	0	2	.357	1	0	1-2	11	9	1	.952
18 Tammy Wray	.100	4-4	10	2	1	0	0	1	4	4	.400	2	0	3	0	.250	0	0	0-0	2	8	0	1.000
77 Kellsie Kloss	.500	2-2	4	1	2	1	0	1	2	6	1.500	1	0	0	0	.600	0	0	0-0	11	1	0	1.000
21 Hailey Smith	.400	2-1	5	1	2	0	0	0	1	2	.400	0	0	0	0	.400	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
13 Katie Guillory	.400	2-2	5	1	2	0	0	0	0	2	.400	0	0	0	0	.400	0	0	0-0	2	0	0	1.000
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16 Lauren Houston	.333	2-2	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	.333	1	0	0	0	.500	0	0	0-0	19	1	0	1.000
3 Sandra Simmons	.000	4-4	6	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	.000	1	0	1	0	.125	1	2	0-0	17	0	0	1.000
25 Simone Heyward	.000	3-3	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	3	2	1	0	.556	0	0	0-1	2	0	0	1.000
33 Kailey McCasland	.000	3-3	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	4	2	0	0	.667	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
9 Alex Boulet	.000	1-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0-0	0	0	0	.000
11 Dylan Supak	.000	1-0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	1	0	.333	0	0	0-0	7	0	0	1.000
24 Alayna Falcon	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
1 Rikki Alcaraz	.000	3-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0	.500	0	0	1-1	0	0	0	.000
Totals	.279	4	86	19	24	5	0	2	16	35	.407	19	5	6	2	.425	3	3	5-7	87	33	1	.992
Opponents	.176	4	102	3	18	1	0	1	3	22	.216	9	3	30	1	.263	0	1	1-3	75	36	1	.991

LOB - Team (23), Opp (26). DPs turned - Team (1), Opp (4).

(Games won Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	era	w-l	app	gs	cg	sho	sv	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	2b	3b	hr	b/avg	wp	hp	bk	sfa	sha
37 Rachele Fico	0.00	2-0	2	2	2	2/0	0	15.0	10	0	0	3	19	0	0	0	.185	1	1	0	0	0
20 Meghan Patterson	0.00	1-0	1	1	1	1/0	0	7.0	3	0	0	2	6	0	0	0	.125	0	0	0	0	0
99 Ashley Czechner	3.00	1-0	1	1	1	0/0	0	7.0	5	3	3	4	5	1	0	1	.208	0	2	0	0	1
Totals	0.72	4-0	4	4	4	3/0	0	29.0	18	3	3	9	30	1	0	1	.176	1	3	0	0	1
Opponents	4.76	0-4	4	4	1	0/0	0	25.0	24	19	17	19	6	5	0	2	.279	4	5	0	3	3

PB - Team (0), Opp (3). SBA/ATT - Patterson (1-2), Kloss (1-2), Fico (0-1), Houston (0-1).

STARTERS BY LINEUP SPOT RECORD

1ST	STARTS	RECORD
A.J. Andrews	5	4-1
2ND	STARTS	RECORD
Simone Heyward	3	3-0
Jacee Blades	2	1-1
3RD	STARTS	RECORD
Bianka Bell	5	4-1
4TH	STARTS	RECORD
Kailey McCasland	3	3-0
Allison Falcon	1	1-1

5TH	STARTS	RECORD
Allison Falcon	3	3-0
Kailey McCasland	1	0-1
Tammy Wray	1	1-0
6TH	STARTS	RECORD
Sandra Simmons	5	4-1
7TH	STARTS	RECORD
Tammy Wray	4	3-1
Hailey Smith	1	1-0
8TH	STARTS	RECORD
Kellsie Kloss	3	2-1
Lauren Houston	2	2-0

9TH	STARTS	RECORD
Alex Boulet	2	1-1
Katie Guillory	2	2-0
Jacee Blades	1	1-0

NO.	PLAYER [HR NUMBER]	OPPONENT [DATE]	PITCHER	ON-BASE	INNING	OUTS	COUNT	SCORE	FINAL
1	Tammy Wray [1]	North Carolina [Feb. 8]	Buchholz [RHP]	1	1	2	3-2	3-0	W, 8-0
2	Kellsie Kloss [1]	Purdue [Feb. 8]	Fecho [LHP]	0	5	1	0-0	0-0	W, 1-0

Bold represents game tying or go-ahead home run

HOME RUN BREAKDOWN

SITE	COUNT	CLASS	GAME TYPE
Home	2	Freshmen	1
Away	0	Sophomore	0
Neutral	0	Junior	1
		Senior	0
HR TYPE		INNING	GAME RESULT
Solo	1	1st Inning	1
Two-Run	0	2nd Inning	0
Three-Run	1	3rd Inning	0
Grand Slam	0	4th Inning	0
		5th Inning	1
NUMBER OF OUTS		6th Inning	0
0 Outs	0	7th Inning	0
1 Out	1	Extra Innings	0
2 Outs	1		
			MISC
			Leadoff
			0
			Inside the Park
			0

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT	INN	LSU R-H-E	OPP. R-H-E	RECORD [SEC]	PITCHER OF RECORD	ATT	TIME
Feb. 8	No. 22/21 North Carolina [1]	W, 8-0	[5]	8-7-0	0-5-0	1-0 [0-0]	Fico [1-0]	1,303	1:31
Feb. 8	Purdue [1]	W, 1-0	7	1-4-1	0-3-0	2-0 [0-0]	Patterson [1-0]	1,303	1:37
Feb. 9	Tulsa [1]	W, 1-0	[10]	1-2-0	0-5-0	3-0 [0-0]	Fico [2-0]	1,492	2:33
Feb. 9	Hampton [1]	W, 9-3	7	9-11-0	3-5-1	4-0 [0-0]	Czechner [1-0]	1,492	2:18
Feb. 10	No. 22/21 North Carolina [1]	L, 3-1	7	1-3-1	3-3-1	4-1 [0-0]	Patterson [1-1]	1,015	1:55

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DATE	OPPONENT	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	5TH	6TH	7TH	8TH	9TH
Feb. 8	No. 22/21 North Carolina [1]	Andrews	Heyward	Bell	McCasland	All. Falcon	Simmons	Wray	Houston	Guillory
Feb. 8	Purdue [1]	Andrews	Heyward	Bell	McCasland	All. Falcon	Simmons	Wray	Kloss	Blades
Feb. 9	Tulsa [1]	Andrews	Heyward	Bell	McCasland	All. Falcon	Simmons	Wray	Houston	Boulet
Feb. 9	Hampton [1]	Andrews	Blades	Bell	All. Falcon	Wray	Simmons	Smith	Kloss	Guillory
Feb. 10	No. 22/21 North Carolina [1]	Andrews	Blades	Bell	All. Falcon	McCasland	Simmons	Wray	Kloss	Boulet

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DATE	OPPONENT	P	C	1B	2B	SS	3B	LF	CF	RF	DP
Feb. 8	No. 22/21 North Carolina [1]	Fico	Houston	Simmons	Bell	All. Falcon	Wray	Guillory	Heyward	Andrews	McCasland
Feb. 8	Purdue [1]	Patterson	Kloss	Simmons	All. Falcon	Bell	Wray	Andrews	Heyward	Blades	McCasland
Feb. 9	Tulsa [1]	Fico	Houston	Simmons	Bell	All. Falcon	Wray	Boulet	Heyward	Andrews	McCasland
Feb. 9	Hampton [1]	Czechner	Kloss	Simmons	All. Falcon	Bell	Wray	Blades	Andrews	Guillory	Smith
Feb. 10	No. 22/21 North Carolina [1]	Patterson	Kloss	Simmons	All. Falcon	Bell	Wray	Boulet	Andrews	Blades	McCasland

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