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### **SCHEDULE**

#### Friday, December 17

#### 1:30 PM

East Carolina vs Liberty

#### 4:00 PM

Virginia Tech vs St. Bonaventure

#### 6:30PM

North Carolina State vs Richmond

#### 9:00PM

Wake Forest vs Charlotte



# EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY 🕵



In his inaugural address as ECU's first president, Robert Wright established a mission that guided its leaders for more than 100 years and still guides it today. "It was built by the people, for the people, and may it ever remain with the people, as a servant of the people." His vision was that the university would offer an education equal to the very best institutions of higher learning, while also lifting the quality of life for the entire region.

At ECU, we believe it is our responsibility to ensure the health and wellbeing of the citizens of our region and beyond. This is how we define the greater good that lies out there and that we collectively seek with our teaching, with our research, and with our service.

Our mission is to be a national model for student success, public service and regional transformation through the use of innovative learning strategies and delivery methods to maximize access; prepares students with the knowledge, skills and values to succeed in a global, multicultural society; develop leaders to serve and inspire positive change; discovers new knowledge and innovations to support a thriving future for eastern North Carolina and beyond; transforms health care, promotes wellness, and reduces health disparities; and improves quality of life through cultural enrichment, academics, the arts, and athletics.

ECU is the fourth largest institution in the state of North Carolina with an enrollment of more than 28,000 and its only university in the state with a dental school, medical school and college of engineering at the same institution.

It has a proud history of providing access to excellence and opportunity. ECU enrolls students from all 100 North Carolina counties, including more students from distressed counties (Tier 1 and Tier 2) than any other constituent UNC System institution. The university is committed to providing access to all students and has several programs aimed at growing the number of enrolled rural students through the provision of micro-scholarships in partnership with RaiseMe and strong relationships with community colleges, including through Pirate Promise, a coadmissions partnership with 37 participating NC community colleges. ECU also provides Access Scholarships, which provide funds to NC residents who demonstrate academic potential and financial need. ECU enrolls more Golden LEAF Scholars than any university in the UNC System. The Golden LEAF (Long-term Economic Advancement Foundation) Scholarship Program is designed to assist students from rural counties who demonstrate both financial need and merit.

ECU offers 84 undergraduate degrees, 70 master's degrees, and 18 doctoral degrees. The university boasts a student population of nearly 29,000, including more than 23,000 undergraduate students, about 4,700 graduate and doctoral students, and more than 300 medical students. Study abroad and hands-on research options add to the academic opportunities available.



Alexis Reyes Freshman/Guard



Javon Small Freshman/Guard



Tristen Newton Sophomore/Guard



R.J. Felton Freshman/Guard



**Brandon Suggs** Sophomore/Forward



**Wynston Tabbs** R-Sophomore/Guard



J.J. Miles Senior/Guard



**Tremont Robinson-White** Junior/Guard



Vance Jackson Senior/Forward



Tay Mosher Freshman/Forward



Alanzo Frink Junior/Forward



**Ludgy Debaut** R-Junior/Center



Freshman/Forward



Freshman/Forward



Junior/Guard



**Brenden Kelly** Freshman/Guard

#### 2021 - 2022 EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY MEN'S ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown (Previous School)
0	Alexis Reyes	G	6-7	195	Fr.	Roxbury, Mass./Putnam Science Academy
1	Javon Small	G	6-2	180	Fr.	South Bend, Ind./Compass (Ariz.) Prep
2	Tristen Newton	G	6-5	190	So.	El Paso, Texas/Burges HS
3	R.J. Felton	G	6-3	200	Fr.	Aiken, S.C./Aiken HS
4	Brandon Suggs	F	6-6	185	So.	Powder Springs, Ga./Massanutten (Va.) Military Academy
10	Wynston Tabbs	G	6-2	195	R-So.	Suitland, Md./Boston College
11	J.J. Miles	G	6-7	215	Sr.	Garysburg, N.C./Cape Fear Community College
12	Tremont Robinson-White	G	6-1	170	Jr.	Little Rock, Ark./Gardne City Community College
13	Vance Jackson	F	6-9	240	Sr.	Pasadena, Calif./Arkansas
15	Tay Mosher	F	6-6	215	Fr.	The Colony, Texas/The Colony School
20	Alanzo Frink	F	6-9	270	Jr.	Jersey City, N.J./South Carolina
21	Ludgy Debaut	С	7-0	245	R-Jr.	Les Abymes, Guadloupe/Northwest Florida State College
23	Brandon Johnson	F	6-8	210	Fr.	Raleigh, N.C./Rolesville HS
25	Marlon Lestin	F	6-9	235	Fr.	Oakville, Ontario, Canada/Halton Prep
42	David Kasanganay	G	6-2	180	Jr.	Charlotte, N.C./Navy
44	Brenden Kelly	G	5-9	165	Fr.	Clark, N.J./Elizabeth HS

**HEAD COACH:** Joe Dooley

ASSISTANT COACHES: Steve DeMeo, Antwon Jackson, George Wright-Easy

**DIRECTOR OF BASKETBALL OPERATIONS: Silvey Dominquez** 



#### 2021 - 2022 EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY MEN'S OUTLOOK

East Carolina has a different look on the court this season following the addition of nine newcomers for the 2021-22 season, highlighted by the addition of three Division I transfers.

Alanzo Frink, formerly of the University of South Carolina, Vance Jackson out of Arkansas and Wynston Tabbs, who spent the previous two seasons at Boston College, look to lead a resurgence at ECU under coach Joe Dooley.

Dooley is in the fourth season of his second stint with the Pirates. He also welcomed six freshmen into the program.

Freshmen include guards R.J. Felton, Alexis Reyes and Javon Small along with forwards Brandon Johnson, Marlon Lestin and Tay Mosher.

Only five players that saw the court last season are on this year's squad.

"I like the guys we've got. I think Vance (Jackson) is a proven guy," Dooley said. "He's put up numbers at UConn and New Mexico. Obviously Wynston has as well. (Alanzo) Frink I think is going to be a good addition. We've got four guys essentially that started a lot of games for us that are back. I think with some extra shooting, some familiarity, I think we'll be even stronger."

The Pirates brought back four of their top five scorers from a year ago led by senior guard J.J. Miles, who averaged just under 10 points per game (9.8 ppg). Junior Tremont Robinson-White (8.1 ppg) also returns along with sophomores Tristen Newton (8.7 ppg) and Brandon Suggs (9.5 ppg). Robinson-White and Newton each finished among the American Athletic Conference leaders in assists per game last season.

The fifth returner is redshirt junior Ludgy Debaut, who averaged 3.1 rebounds and 1.0 block in 15.5 minutes of action per game in 2020-21.

ECU will navigate the season without the services of first-team all-conference performer Jayden Gardner, who transferred during the offseason after three years donning the purple and gold.

Despite the loss of the team's marquee player, Dooley believes his team will be able to play a more up-tempo style this season.

"I'd like to play faster," Dooley stated. "I thought we were playing faster at one time, but the COVID shutdown affected our offense more than our defense. I don't know if that was the deal with everybody else. But I'd like to play faster. And obviously statistically, we need to shoot the ball better from 3. Hopefully we will."

# LIBERTY UNIVERSITY



Liberty University trains Champions for Christ with the values, knowledge, and skills essential for impacting tomorrow's world. Liberty University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award associate, bachelor's, master's, specialist, and doctoral degrees.

Liberty University is a Christian academic community in the tradition of evangelical institutions of higher education. As such, Liberty continues the philosophy of education which first gave rise to the university, and which is summarized in the following propositions.

God, the infinite source of all things, has shown us truth through scripture, nature, history, and above all, in Christ.

Persons are spiritual, rational, moral, social, and physical, created in the image of God. They are, therefore, able to know and to value themselves and other persons, the universe, and God.

Education as the process of teaching and learning, involves the whole person, by developing the knowledge, values, and skills which enable each individual to change freely. Thus it occurs most effectively when both instructor and student are properly related to God and each other through Christ.

Maintaining the vision of the founder, Dr. Jerry Falwell, Liberty University develops Christcentered men and women with the values, knowledge, and skills essential to impact the world.

Through its residential and online programs, services, facilities, and collaborations, the University educates men and women who will make important contributions to their workplaces and communities, follow their chosen vocations as callings to glorify God, and fulfill the Great Commission.

Location: Lynchburg, Va.

Founded: 1971

Enrollment: Total enrollment exceeds 100,000

15,000 on Campus

Over 30,000 military students

Over 850 international students

President: Jerry Prevo

Athletic Director: Ian McCaw



**Drake Dobbs** Sophomore/Guard



**Brody Peebles** Freshman/Guard



**Darius McGhee** Senior/Guard



Isiah Warfield Sophomore/Guard



Stephen Burggraf Junior/Guard



**Bryson Spell** Freshman/Forward



Jonathan Jackson Sophomore/Guard



**DJ Moore** Freshman/Guard



Keegan McDowell R-Senior/Guard



**Gabriel McKay** Junior/Guard



Kyle Rode Junior/Forward



Joseph Venzant Freshman/Guard



Micaiah Abii Sophomore/Forward



**Blake Preston** R-Junior/Forward



**Shiloh Robinson** Junior/Forward

#### 2021 - 2022 LIBERTY UNIVERSITY MEN'S ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown (Previous School)
0	Drake Dobbs	G	6-1	175	So.	Eden Praire, Minn. (Eden Praire HS)
1	Brody Peebles	G	6-2	168	Fr.	Hartselle, Ala. (Hartselle HS)
2	Darius McGhee	G	5-9	150	Sr.	Roxboro, N.C. (Blue Ridge School)
3	Isiah Warfield	G	6-5	180	So.	Monaca, Pa. (Central Valley HS)
4	Stephen Burggraf	G	6-0	160	Jr.	Lynchburg, Va. (Liberty Christian Academy)
5	Bryson Spell	F	6-9	220	Fr.	Virginia Beach, Va. (Cape Henry Collegiate School)
11	Jonathan Jackson	G	6-4	180	So.	Dallas, Texas (Blue Valley HS)
13	DJ Moore	G	6-3	190	Fr.	Worthington, Ohio (Worthington Christian)
20	Keegan McDowell	G	6-6	190	R-Sr.	Cincinnati, Ohio (Moeller HS)
21	Gabriel McKay	G	6-2	189	Jr.	Lynchburg, Va. (Trevecca Nazarene)
22	Kyle Rode	F	6-7	220	Jr.	Lexington, Ky. (Lexington Christian Academy)
23	Joseph Venzant	G	6-3	193	Fr.	Midland, Texas (Midland Christian)
24	Micaiah Abii	F	6-7	220	So.	Frisco, Texas (Liberty HS)
32	Blake Preston	F	6-9	225	R-Jr.	Charlotte, N.C. (Charlotte Christian School)
33	Shiloh Robinson	F	6-7	200	Jr.	Kearney, Ne. (Kearney HS)

**HEAD COACH:** Ritchie McKay **ASSOCIATE COACH: Brad Soucie** 

ASSISTANT COACHES: Derek Johnston, Joe Pierre III **DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS:** Chelsea Mangino



#### 2021 - 2022 LIBERTY UNIVERSITY MEN'S OUTLOOK

#### Expectations Await Flames in 2020-21 Season

Liberty is picked to win the 2021-22 ASUN men's basketball title as voted by the ASUN coaches and media, while Liberty's Darius McGhee was also picked as the Preseason Player of the Year. Liberty is on a historical run for its program, as the Flames have won 82 games in the last three seasons, which ranks third in country only behind Gonzaga (95 wins) and Houston (84 wins). Liberty is only one of eight programs in the country with 20+ plus wins in the last five seasons.

#### Darius McGhee - Proven Winner

Liberty's Darius McGhee has been synonymous with winning throughout his time at Liberty. In McGhee's first three seasons, Liberty has won three ASUN Regular Season titles and three ASUN Tournament titles. McGhee has won 83 games at Liberty, just 21 wins away from tying the program record for most career wins. Last season, McGhee won ASUN Player of the Year and was named ASUN Tournament MVP after averaging 15.6 points, 4.4 rebounds and 2.1 assists per game. Lethal at all three levels, McGhee shot 45.8 percent from the field, 41.3 percent from threepoint range and 84.8 percent from the free throw line. During conference play McGhee picked up his game, averaging 16.9 points per game along with 4.6 rebounds and 1.9 assists while shooting 47 percent from the field, 42.3 percent from three-point range and 87 percent from the free throw line.

#### One of the Best Defense's in the Country

Ritchie McKay has brought the "Pack Line Defense" model from Virginia and has implemented it in Lynchburg as the Flames rank among the top defenses in the country. McKay and his staff had one of the best defenses in the country over the past three years, as the Flames ranked 19th in Division I in scoring defense in 2018, sixth in 2019, number two in 2020 and number three in 2021.

#### McKay Recognized as One of the Best

Leading the Flames to its best run in school history, Ritchie McKay has made Liberty one of the best mid-major programs in the country. McKay has led Liberty to the Round of 32 in the 2019 NCAA Tournament for the first time in school history and was named the 2019 Jim Phelan National Coach of the Year Award winner, which is presented annually to the top coach in Division I men's basketball. McKay is coming off back-to-back seasons where he was named ASUN Coach of the Year and has 177 wins at the helm for Liberty.

# VIRGINA TECH VT

What's a Hokie? We are.

At Virginia Tech, we're reimagining how education and technology intersect. This approach transforms the ways we teach and learn, perform research, and engage with communities around the world.

Hokies collaborate with diverse team members and cross the traditional lines between fields and disciplines to tackle global-scale problems.

Dedicated to its motto, Ut Prosim (That I May Serve), Virginia Tech pushes the boundaries of knowledge by taking a hands-on, transdisciplinary approach to preparing scholars to be leaders and problem-solvers.

As the commonwealth's most comprehensive university and a leading research institution, Virginia Tech offers about 280 undergraduate and graduate degree programs to more than 37,000 undergraduate, graduate, and professional students across the commonwealth and manages a research portfolio of more than \$556 million. The university fulfills its role as a land-grant institution by fostering a collaborative environment that integrates technology into all disciplines, so that the Virginia Tech community can serve as a force for positive change around the commonwealth, the country, and the world.

Through experiential learning, future-focused research, and an inclusive, spirited culture, Virginia Tech strives to accomplish the charge of its motto Ut Prosim (That I May Serve).

Virginia Tech has a 2,600-acre main campus in Blacksburg, Virginia; a significant presence across the commonwealth, including the Innovation Campus in Northern Virginia, the Health Sciences and Technology Campus in Roanoke, and sites in Newport News and Richmond; educational and research facilities across the state; a study-abroad site in Switzerland; and a 1,800-acre agriculture research farm near the main campus. The campus proper is located in the New River Valley and is 38 miles southwest of Roanoke.

Location: Blacksburg, Va.

Founded: 1872

Enrollment: 37,000

President: Dr. Timothy D. Sands

Provost: Dr. Cyril R. Clarke



**Hunter Cattoor** Junior/Guard



David N'Guessan Sophomore/Forward



Sean Pedulla Freshman/Guard



Nahiem Alleyne Junior/Guard



**Storm Murphy** Graduate/Guard



**Camden Johnson** Freshman/Guard



**Jalen Haynes** Freshman/Forward



**Darius Maddox** Sophomore/Guard



Ben Varga Freshman/Guard



Lynn Kidd Sophomore/Center



John Ojiako Junior/Center



**Keve Aluma** R-Senior/Forward



Justyn Mutts Graduate/Forward

#### 2021 - 2022 VIRGINA TECH MEN'S ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown (Previous School)
0	Hunter Cattoor	G	6-3	200	Jr.	Orlando, Fla. (Bishop Moore)
1	David N'Guessan	F	6-9	210	So.	De Lier, The Netherlands (Mt. Zion Prep)
3	Sean Pedulla	G	6-1	190	Fr.	Edmond, Okla. (Edmond Memorial)
4	Nahiem Alleyne	G	6-4	200	Jr.	Buford, Ga. (Mountain View)
5	Storm Murphy	G	6-0	185	Gr.	Middleton, Wis. (Middleton/Wofford)
10	Camden Johnson	G	6-1	175	Fr.	Waxhaw, N.C. (Metrolina Christian Academy)
11	Jalen Haynes	F	6-8	250	Fr.	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. (Montverde Academy)
13	Darius Maddox	G	6-5	180	So.	Bowie, Md. (Oak Hill Academy)
14	Ben Varga	G	5-10	170	Fr.	Louisville, Ky. (St. Xavier)
15	Lynn Kidd	С	6-10	240	So.	Gainesville, Fla. (IMG Academy/Clemson)
21	John Ojiako	С	6-10	240	Jr.	Lagos, Nigeria (Admiral Farragut)
22	Keve Aluma	F	6-9	235	R-Sr.	Berlin, Md. (Stephen Decatur/Wofford)
25	Justyn Mutts	F	6-7	220	Gr.	Millville, N.J. (St. Augustine Prep/Delaware)

**HEAD COACH:** Mike Young

**ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH: Mike Jones** 

ASSISTANT COACHES: Christian Webster, Kevin Giltner

CHIEF OF STAFF: Stephanie Ballein



#### 2021 - 2022 VIRGINA TECH MEN'S OUTLOOK

#### EXPECTATIONS HIGH IN BLACKSBURG

Many basketball prognosticators are high on the Hokies. And rightfully so. Virginia Tech has a veteran laden team with the potential to start three fifth-year seniors and two juniors. The Hokies will be looking to build upon their fourth straight NCAA Tournament appearance, which is a program record for consecutive appearances in the Big Dance.

Keve Aluma returns for his second season on the court for the Hokies after earning Second-Team All-ACC honors last season. He is the lone returner from last season's All-ACC first or second teams. Former Wofford teammate Storm Murphy reunites with Aluma in Blacksburg. The First-Team All-SoCon selection averaged 17.8 points, 3.3 rebounds and 4.3 assists last season for the Terriers. He was one of only 11 players to average that stat line or better nationally. The Hokies were predicted to finish fifth in the ACC preseason poll, while Aluma was named to the All-ACC first team.

#### DANCIN' IN YEAR TWO

In previous seasons in Virginia Tech history, the fastest head coach to make the NCAA Tournament was in Year Three. Those Hokies were Howie Shannon, Charlie Moir and Buzz Williams. Therefore, with Mike Young doing so last season in Year Two, he became the fastest Tech coach to make The Dance.

#### GREEN-LIGHTED FROM THREE

With the potential lineup of Storm Murphy, Hunter Cattoor, Nahiem Alleyne, Justyn Mutts and Keve Aluma, all five of those players have the green light from distance. The last team Coach Young had with this type of threat from deep was his 2018-19 Wofford squad, which ranked second nationally in 3-point accuracy (41.4). The Terriers finished 30-5 that season, including an unbeaten mark in SoCon action and reached the second round of the 2019 NCAA Tournament.

#### REACH OUR POTENTIAL

When asked how he'd define success for this season, Coach Young expressed he wanted the Hokies to reach their potential. "That will be a real success for me," he said, and I'll get back to the mountains of North Carolina this spring and fish with a big smile on my face."

#### BOUNCEBACK MENTALITY

Young and the Hokies were 5-1 last season after a loss with their lone back-to-back losing skid coming at the end of the season to North Carolina in the ACC Tournament and Florida in the NCAA Tournament. In 2019-20, Young had five wins following a loss.

#### DEGREES ON DEGREES

Storm Murphy and Justyn Mutts are both in grad school at Virginia Tech. Murphy graduated from Wofford with a finance degree in May 2021 and is currently pursuing a graduate degree in leadership studies within the Agricultural and Life Sciences program at Virginia Tech. Mutts graduated with a psychology degree from Delaware and completed his master's degree at Tech in agricultural and life sciences with a concentration in education in May 2021. He's currently pursuing his second master's degree in educational psychology. Keve Aluma earned his first undergraduate degree in human development from Virginia Tech in May 2021 and is currently working on his second undergraduate degree in sociology.

### ST. BONAVENTURE UNIVERSITY



#### ABOUT ST. BONAVENTURE

The nation's first Franciscan university, St. Bonaventure University is committed to transforming the lives of our students inside and outside the classroom, inspiring in them a lifelong commitment to service and citizenship.

Built on a foundation of compassion, wisdom and integrity, our Franciscan community affirms the unique dignity of everyone and invites all of our sisters and brothers to forge bonds of mutual acceptance and understanding that create a true sense of belonging.

The university's most popular undergraduate academic programs are: Accounting, Biology, Criminology, Cybersecurity, Education, Finance, Health Science, Journalism, Marketing, Sport Studies, and Psychology. A full range of programs complement these enrollment drivers, with almost 100 majors and minors available to students at the undergraduate level. Combined degree programs in health care professions, including with George Washington University's medical school, draw high-quality students from across the United States.

St. Bonaventure is ranked 18th overall on U.S. News and World Report's list of best schools in the North, and was No. 5 on its 2022 list of best college values in the North.

Over the past 15 years, the campus has been transformed through investment of more than \$100 million in new campus and athletic facilities, renovations, historic rehabilitations, and improved outdoor spaces.

Located 75 miles south of Buffalo near Olean, N.Y., St. Bonaventure's picturesque campus is nestled in the foothills of the Allegheny Mountains and is located just 25 minutes from Holiday Valley, one of the top ski and golf resorts in the East. The neighboring communities of Olean and Allegany provide venues for student off-campus employment, internships, community service, recreation, shopping and dining.



**Kyle Lofton** Senior/Guard



**Dominick Welch** Senior/Guard



**Quadry Adams** R-Freshman/Guard



Joryam Saizonou Freshman/Guard



**Linton Brown** R-Sophomore/Guard



**Jaren Holmes** Senior/Guard



R-Freshman/Center



Oluwasegun Durosinmi Justin Ndjock-Tadjore Freshman/Guard



**Abdoul Karim Coulibaly** R-Sophomore/Forward



Pedro Rossi Freshman/Forward



Osun Osunniyi Senior/Center



**Brett Rumpel** Freshman/Guard



Jalen Adaway R-Senior/Guard



**Anouar Mellouk** Freshman/Forward

#### 2021 - 2022 ST. BONAVENTURE UNIVERSITY MEN'S ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown (Previous School)
0	Kyle Lofton	G	6-3	185	Sr.	Hillside, N.J./Union Catholic (Putnam Science Acad.)
1	Dominick Welch	G	6-5	205	Sr.	Buffalo, N.Y./Cheektowaga (Spire Academy)
2	Quadry Adams	G	6-3	190	R-Fr.	Piscataway, N.J. / St. Thomas Aquinas (Wake Forest)
3	Joryam Saizonou	G	6-3	182	Fr.	Almere, The Netherlands / McCallie (Beckley Prep)
4	Linton Brown	G	6-5	205	R-So.	Delray Beach, Fla. / Wellington (Indian River CC)
5	Jaren Holmes	G	6-4	210	Sr.	Romulus, Mich./Romulus (Ranger CC)
10	Oluwasegun Durosinmi	С	6-9	235	R-Fr.	Lagos, Nigeria / Virginia Academy (Harcum College)
11	Justin Ndjock- Tadjore	G	6-7	186	Fr.	Gatineau, Quebec / Cegep de l'Outaouais Collège
12	Abdoul Karim Coulibaly	F	6-9	235	R-So.	Bamako, Mali / Scotland Campus (Pittsburgh)
20	Pedro Rossi	F	6-9	215	Fr.	Bahia Blanca, Argentina / Don Bosco School
21	Osun Osunniyi	С	6-10	220	Sr.	Pleasantville, N.J./Mainland (Putnam Science Acad.)
23	Brett Rumpel	G	6-4	180	Fr.	Binghamton, N.Y. / Seton Catholic
33	Jalen Adaway	G	6-5	215	R-Sr.	Logansport, Ind. / Logansport (Miami OH)
41	Anouar Mellouk	F	6-8	200	Fr.	$\label{lem:amsterdam} Amsterdam, The  Netherlands  /  Fork  Union  Military  Acad.$

**HEAD COACH:** Mark Schmidt

ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH: Steve Curran ASSISTANT COACHES: Sean Neal, Chris Lowe

**DIRECTOR OF BASKETBALL OPERATIONS:** Matt Pappano



#### 2021 - 2022 ST. BONAVENTURE UNIVERSITY MFN'S OUTLOOK

St. Bonaventure already has one active 1,000-point scorer: senior Kyle Lofton, who enters the season ranking 28th in program history with 1,230 career points. Three of his teammates have a chance to join the 1,000-point club this season: Dominick Welch starts the year at 793 points while Osun Osunniyi stands at 739 career points. Jalen Adaway enters the year with 762 collegiate points counting two seasons at Miami (OH).

Lofton, Welch (72) and Osunniyi (79) are all part of the program's top-100 all-time scoring list. Jaren Holmes needs just nine points to crack the top-100, starting the year ranked No. 101 in Bonnies scoring history.

Osunniyi begins his senior campaign with 211 career blocks, already good for third in program history. He needs 33 swats to catch Andrew Nicholson '12 for second in the Bona's record books and 78 blocks to tie Caswell Cyrus' record of 289, a mark that has stood since 2000. Osunniyi posted 92 blocks as a freshman in 2018-19, a total that ranked sixth nationally that season.

Osunniyi needs 261 points to reach 1,000 for his career. If he can do that, he would become the 25th player in school history with 1,000 points and 500 rebounds. He already stands 18th in school history with 657 career rebounds. When he reaches board No. 700, he will become just the 12th player in Bona's history to accomplish that statistical feat.

Osunniyi's 2.67 blocks per game currently stands as the most in school history. Only Cyrus (2.5 bpg) and Nicholson (2.0) have ever averaged two blocks per contest during a Bonnies career.

Only five players in school history stand ahead of Lofton for career assists: Marques Green '04 (657), Shandue McNeill '97 (616), Jaylen Adams '18 (590), Glenn Hagan '78 (486) and Tim Winn '00 (449). Entering the season with 428 helpers, Lofton averages five assists per game for his career, a mark that ranks behind only Green, Adams and McNeill.

Welch ranks third among all active Atlantic 10 players in career 3-pointers (166), behind only Jacob Gilyard (238) of Richmond and Taylor Funk (201) of Saint Joseph's. Only Funk's 2.18 3-pointers per game ranks above Welch's 2.15/gm, however.

St. Bonaventure is trying to reach the NCAA Tournament in back-to-back years for the first time in school history. In all, the Bonnies have reached the Big Dance eight times, with the last two appearances in 2018 and 2021 representing the shortest gap between NCAA Tournament berths in school history.

The Bonnies have four teams ranked in last year's top-90 of the NCAA NET rankings in their non-conference schedule – UConn (33), Virginia Tech (51), Boise State (53) and Buffalo (86). Bona's has other opportunities at other marquee non-conference games during the Charleston Classic depending on how that bracket falls: other potential opponents include West Virginia (22), Clemson (45) and Marquette (93).

The Bonnies welcome six new international studentathletes this season: freshmen Anouar Mellouk and Joryam Saizonou from the Netherlands, Justin Ndjock-Tadjore from Canada and Pedro Rossi from Argentina, redshirt sophomore Abdoul Karim Coulibaly from Mali and redshirt freshman Oluwasegun Durosinmi from Nigeria.

#### 2021 - 2022 NORTH CAROLINA STATE OVERVIEW

# NORTH CAROLINA STATE

NC State University began as a land-grant institution grounded in agriculture and engineering. Today, we're a leading public research university that excels across disciplines.

NC State is a powerhouse in science, technology, engineering and math. We lead in agriculture, education, textiles, business and natural resources. We're at the forefront of teaching and research in design, the humanities and the social sciences. And we're home to one of the planet's best colleges of veterinary medicine.

Our more than 36,000 undergraduate and graduate students learn by doing. They pursue research and start new companies. They forge connections with top employers and serve local and global communities. And they enjoy an outstanding return on investment.

Each year, NC State adds \$6.5 billion to the statewide economy, equivalent to creating more than 90,000 new jobs. That represents significant return on investment for the citizens of North Carolina in the form of research advances, innovative technologies, successful companies, skilled graduates and new jobs waiting for them.

Our 9,000 faculty and staff are world leaders in their fields, bridging the divides between academic disciplines and training high-caliber students to meet tomorrow's challenges. Together, they forge powerful partnerships with government, industry, nonprofits and academia to remake our world for the better.

NC State is leading efforts to curb nuclear proliferation, develop a smart electric grid, create self-powered health monitors, help farmers confront climate change and build a new American manufacturing sector. Our award-winning Centennial Campus is home to more than 70 public and private partners — as well as the innovative Hunt Library, which Time magazine has dubbed "the library of the future."

In Raleigh and Around the World

It all happens in one of the best cities in America. A top spot for job-seekers and tech professionals, Raleigh is nationally recognized as a leading urban center:

- No. 2 among large-size college cities in America (WalletHub, 2020)
- No. 2 hot spot for tech jobs (Forbes, 2016)
- No. 3 best city for young professionals (Forbes, 2016)
- No. 13 best place to live (U.S. News & World Report)
- Best big city in the Southeast (Time, 2016)
- Selected as a Google Fiber expansion city

With Durham and Chapel Hill, Raleigh anchors the Research Triangle, a national hotspot for high-tech enterprise. The top companies in the region — including IBM, Cisco Systems, SAS Institute, Biogen Idec and GlaxoSmithKline — are among the country's best employers.



**Terquavion Smith** Freshman/Guard



**Dereon Seabron** R-Sophomore/Guard



**Cam Hayes** Sophomore/Guard



Jericole Hellems Senior/Forward



**Thomas Allen** R-Senior/Guard



**Breon Pass** Freshman/Guard



Jaylon Gibson Sophomore/Forward



Chase Graham Junior/Guard



**Casey Morsell** Junior/Guard



**Manny Bates** R-Junior/Forward



Alex Nunnally Freshman/Guard



Ebenezer Dowuona Sophomore/Forward



**Greg Gantt** Junior/Forward



**Ernest Ross** Freshman/Forward

#### 2021 - 2022 NORTH CAROLINA STATE MEN'S ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown (Previous School)
0	Terquavion Smith	G	6-4	160	Fr.	Greenville, N.C. (Farmville Central)
1	Dereon Seabron	G	6-7	180	R-So.	Norfolk, Va. (Lake Taylor)
3	Cam Hayes	G	6-3	180	So.	Greensboro, N.C. (Greensboro Day School)
4	Jericole Hellems	F	6-7	200	Sr.	St. Louis, Mo. (Chaminade)
5	Thomas Allen	G	6-1	175	R-Sr.	Raleigh, N.C. (Nebraska)
10	Breon Pass	G	6-0	175	Fr.	Reidsville, N.C. (Reidsville)
11	Jaylon Gibson	F	6-10	220	So.	Zebulon, N.C. (Grace Christian School)
12	Chase Graham	G	6-1	180	Jr.	Raleigh, N.C. (Athens Drive)
14	Casey Morsell	G	6-3	200	Jr.	Ft. Washingon, Md. (Virginia)
15	Manny Bates	F	6-11	230	R-Jr.	Fayetteville, N.C. (Northwood Temple Academy)
20	Alex Nunnally	G	6-2	180	Fr.	Cary, N.C. (Cary Academy)
21	Ebenezer Dowuona	F	6-11	225	So.	Accra, Ghana (The Heritage School)
23	Greg Gantt	F	6-8	215	Jr.	Fayetteville, N.C. (Providence)
24	Ernest Ross	F	6-9	190	Fr.	Alachua, Fla. (Santa Fe)

**HEAD COACH:** Kevin Keatts

**ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH:** James Johnson

**ASSISTANT COACHES:** Roy Roberson, Mike Summey **DIRECTOR OF BASKETBALL OPERATIONS: Steve Snell** 



#### 2021 - 2022 NORTH CAROLINA STATE MFN'S OUTLOOK

The 2021-22 season marks the fifth season with Kevin Keatts as head coach of the Pack.

Keatts has helped build NC State back as he won 20 games in his first three seasons as head coach (the team only played 25 games last season in his fourth as head coach) to become just the seventh coach in ACC history to lead his team to 20-plus wins in each of his first three years in the ACC.

Last season, Keatts overcame the loss of two starters in the middle of the season, including senior leader and top-scorer Devon Daniels to a torn ACL, to lead the Pack to five consecutive road wins to end the regular season. It was the first time since the 1973-74 national championship season that NC State won five consecutive ACC road games.

Pack returns four starters from last season's team that advanced into the NIT, including All-ACC Defensive team member Manny Bates. Bates has led the ACC in blocked shots in his first two seasons in the ACC and the redshirt junior will attempt to become the first ACC player since Duke's Shelden Williams (2004-06) to lead the ACC in blocked shots in three consecutive seasons. Through two seasons, Bates already ranks fourth in program history with 147 career blocks in 53 games. The Fayetteville, N.C., native has also shown an improved offensive game as he averaged nearly 10.0 points per game last season and his shooting percentage of 64.1 percent was the best single-season shooting percentage in program history (minimum 100 made field goals).

Senior forward Jericole Hellems led NC State in scoring after the loss of Daniels last season and is the team's leading returning scorer at 12.9 points per game. Hellems was an Honorable Mention All-ACC selection last season as he shot career bests in field goal percentage (45.2%) and three-point field goal percentage (38.3%) and had season-bests in points per game, rebounds per game, assists per game and steals per game as a junior.

Sophomore guards Cam Hayes and Dereon Seabron both showed promise in their rookie campaigns. Hayes led the team in assists and averaged 7.8 points per game as a true freshman, while Seabron capitalized on his increased role after the loss of Daniels, averaging 5.2 points per game and was named ACC Freshman of the Week for his efforts in a season-ending win at Notre Dame.

NC State welcomed transfers Greg Gantt (Providence) and Casey Morsell (Virginia) to the program in the offseason and signed a top recruiting class of Breon Pass, Ernest Ross and Terquavion Smith. Pass was a highly sought after football and basketball recruit, Ross was named Florida Player of the Year and Smith earned North Carolina Mr. Basketball and North Carolina Gatorade Player of the Year honors. All three players figure to play as true freshmen with former top-100 prospects Ross and Smith both pushing for starting positions.

#### FULKERSON, BAILEY APPROACHING 1,000-POINT MILESTONE

- Super-senior forward John Fulkerson enters the season 125 points shy of reaching the 1,000-point mark for his career.
- · Senior guard Victor Bailey Jr. also could score his 1,000th Division I point this season. Bailey enters the year with 807 career points. He scored 513 points as an Oregon Duck before transferring to Tennessee after two years in Eugene.
- A total of 52 Vols have scored at least 1,000 points during their time on Rocky Top, with Fulkerson's former teammates, Jordan Bowden and Lamonté Turner, being the most recent additions to the 1,000-Point Club during the 2019-20 campaign.

#### UNDER BARNES, VOLUNTEERS ARE 71-24 AS AN ASSOCIATED PRESS RANKED TEAM

 Tennessee has played 95 games as a ranked team (AP poll) under head coach Rick Barnes, and the Vols are 71-24 (.747) in those contests.

# UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND \*\*



The University of Richmond is one of the most prestigious private liberal arts universities in the United States. Founded in 1830, the school offers over 60 undergraduate majors and ranks highly among liberal arts universities around the nation. Richmond ranks in the top 25 among the country's "Best Liberal Arts College" and "Best Value," according to U.S. News & World Report. It ranks first in the United States for producing the most Fulbright US Scholars and tops the list for "Most Beautiful Campus" in the country according to the Princeton Review in 2021.

The University offers its academic programs through five schools with distinct educational missions: School of Arts and Sciences, School of Business, School of Law, School of Leadership Studies and School of Professional and Continuing Studies. Traditional undergraduate education is offered jointly through the Schools of Arts and Sciences, Business and Leadership Studies. Richmond's reputation stretches far beyond the United States, as over 62 countries are represented among its student, faculty and staff, allowing for an unlimited amount of cultural exchange and new perspectives.

Richmond provides much more than a top-tier classroom education to its students; it offers the opportunity for students to advance, experience, grow from new challenges with the knowledge that will undoubtedly carry them for the rest of their lives. With 190 student organizations, the University gives students a chance to take on roles in leadership in the community, both oncampus and off-campus.

The University has taken on many projects to improve campus life for its over 4,000 students and faculty over its long history. Most recently, fall 2020 saw the completion of the brand-new Student Well-being Center. The Student Well-being Center has an abundant amount of professional help for students ranging from clinical needs to nutrition and diet education to providing a top mental health program.

The University of Richmond has established a phenomenal framework for high education, a framework that has seen great successes from Richmond's many notable alumni. Whether from the political sphere, business or the arts, Richmond has seen many fascinating people pass through its halls. Noteworthy alums include Bob Ukrop, Congressman Ben Cline, former NASA astronaut Leland D. Melvin and Virginia State Senator Jennifer McClellan.

For over 100 years, the University of Richmond has been a staple in Virginia higher education and national higher education. Its vast network and dedication to improving student lives can be seen well after they have left the institution. Thousands of alumni give back to Richmond in any way they can because of what the University has meant to them. The University of Richmond holds true to its motto, "Verbum Vitae et Lumen Scientiae: 'Word of life and the light of knowledge.'"



Jacob Gilyard Graduate/Guard



Jason Nelson Freshman/Guard



Souleymane Koureissi Senior/Forward



Tyler Burton Junior/Forward



**Nathan Cayo** Graduate/Forward



**Nick Sherod** Graduate/Guard



Sullivan Kulju Graduate/Forward



**Marcus Randolph** Freshman/Guard



**Malcolm Dread** Freshman/Guard



**Connor Crabtree** R-Junior/Guard



**Matt Grace** Senior/Forward



Isaiah Wilson Sophomore/Guard



Andre Gustavson Senior/Guard



Dji Bailey Sophomore/Guard



Quentin Southall Sophomore/Guard



Jordan Gaitley Graduate/Guard



Liam Weaver Freshman/Guard



**Grant Golden** Graduate/Forward



**Gabe Arizin** Junior/Guard



Aidan Noyes Freshman/Forward

#### 2021 - 2022 UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND MEN'S ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown (Previous School)
0	Jacob Gilyard	G	5-9	160	Gr.	Kansas City, MO (The Barstow School)
1	Jason Nelson	G	5-10	175	Fr.	Richmond, VA (John Marshall)
2	Souleymane Koureissi	F	6-9	215	Sr.	Harlem, NY (Iona Prep)
3	Tyler Burton	F	6-7	215	Jr.	Uxbridge, MA (Marianapolis Prep [CT])
4	Nathan Cayo	F	6-7	225	Gr.	Montreal, Quebec (College Jean De Brebeuf)
5	Nick Sherod	G	6-4	220	Gr.	Richmond, VA (St. Christopher's)
10	Sullivan Kulju	F	6-6	220	Gr.	New Berlin, WI (Eisenhower)
11	Marcus Randolph	G	6-5	195	Fr.	Willingboro, NJ (Archbishop Wood [PA])
12	Malcolm Dread	G	6-4	210	Fr.	Detroit, MI (Gonzaga Prep [DC])
13	Connor Crabtree	G	6-6	200	R-Jr.	Hillsborough, NC (Hargrave Military [VA])
15	Matt Grace	F	6-9	230	Sr.	Hamilton, Ontario (TRC Academy)
21	Isaiah Wilson	G	6-0	165	So.	Pittsburgh, PA (First Love Academy)
22	Andre Gustavson	G	6-5	205	Sr.	Helsinki, Finland (Helsinki Basketball Academy)
24	Dji Bailey	G	6-5	180	So.	Wilson, NC (Greenfield School)
25	Quentin Southall	G	6-3	180	So.	Alexandria, VA (Georgetown Prep [MD])
31	Jordan Gaitley	G	6-4	190	Gr.	Haverford, PA (Fordham Prep [NY])
32	Liam Weaver	G	6-2	190	Fr.	Kansas City, MO (Pembroke Hill)
33	Grant Golden	F	6-10	255	Gr.	Winchester, VA (St. James [MD])
34	Gabe Arizin	G	6-4	190	Jr.	West Chester, PA (St. Joseph's Prep)
35	Aidan Noyes	F	6-7	190	Fr.	Cincinnati, OH (Archbishop Moeller)

**HEAD COACH:** Chris Mooney

**ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH: Rob Jones** 

ASSISTANT COACHES: Kevin Hovde, Maurice Joseph

**DIRECTOR OF BASKETBALL OPERATIONS:** Mark McGonigal



#### 2021 - 2022 UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND MEN'S OUTLOOK

The Richmond Spiders are one of the deepest and most-experienced teams in Division I, with a 20man roster that includes a pair of starters in their sixth season of college basketball, a pair of fifthyear starters, and several other key contributors who bring a wealth of talent and veteran savvy to the court.

Chris Mooney, in his 17th season at Richmond, is the winningest coach in program history and has led the Spiders to eight postseason appearances, including three NIT Quarterfinals, two NCAA Tournaments, and the 2011 NCAA Sweet 16.

Offensively, Richmond has created a system that embodies the concept of "position-less basketball." While shorter players will begin most possessions further away from the basket and taller players will begin most possessions on the wing or in the paint, they will rarely end up anywhere near where they started. On each possession, every player on the court is equally as likely to handle the ball, shoot a three, cut back door, or set up in the post. The Spiders offense places a premium on passing, cutting, and outside shooting, and Richmond's coaches focus on developing those skills in each Spider. As a result, UR often ranks among the A-10 and national leaders in field goal percentage (47th in D-I last season) and assist-to-turnover ratio (23rd in D-I last season).

Defensively, the Spiders mainly employ a man-to-man scheme that takes advantage of the incredible talents of guard Jacob Gilyard, one of the nation's best defenders. Gilyard is a 2021 Defensive All-American, the 2020 Atlantic 10 Defensive Player of the Year, and a two-time semifinalist for the Naismith National Defensive Player of the Year Award who has led Division I in steals in each of the last two seasons.

In October, Gilyard and teammate Grant Golden, a forward, were named Preseason First Team All-Atlantic 10. Golden ranks in the top 10 in Richmond history in points, rebounds, blocks, and assists and is one of seven players in A-10 history to earn All-Conference honors in four different seasons. Gilyard and Golden were part of the group of six players who decided to use their additional year of COVID-19 eligibility to return to Richmond this season. That group includes a pair of graduate student walk-ons (Jordan Gaitley and Sullivan Kulju) plus four 1,000-point scorers: Gilyard, Golden, forward Nathan Cayo and guard Nick Sherod.

Joining those four in the Spiders projected starting lineup is forward Tyler Burton, the reigning Most Improved Player in the Atlantic 10. Burton was named Preseason Second Team All-Atlantic 10 prior to the season.

Richmond returns 15 of 16 players from its 2020-21 team that finished 14-9 and reached the NIT Quarterfinals after being ranked as high as 19th in the AP Poll during the season. The Spiders were picked second in the Atlantic 10 Preseason Poll in October, the second-highest showing by Richmond since joining the conference in 2001.

# WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY WF



Founded in 1834, Wake Forest University is a private university located in Winston-Salem, N.C., with more than 8,000 students. The undergraduate population of more than 5,200 hails from 49 states and more than 50 foreign countries.

Ours is a vibrant and diverse academic community in which students pursue learning in one or more of the 45 majors, 60 minors and additional programs we offer within our six colleges and schools.

In September 2020, U.S. News & World Report ranked Wake Forest as one of the top 30 National Universities for the 25th consecutive year. In addition to the overall standing of 28th place, Wake Forest stands at 24th for Best Value.

The Reynolda Campus, the university's main campus, has been located north of downtown Winston-Salem since the university moved there in 1956. The campus, which sits on 340 acres of land, has been renowned for its beauty, being ranked as the No. 1 college campus for fall beauty in America by U.S. News & World Report.

North Campus consists of the T.K. Hearn Plaza, better known as "the quad", which holds the six upperclassmen residential buildings, the U.S. Post Office, book/office supply store, clothing/ athletic store, and Wait Chapel. Wait Chapel serves multiple functions. Its auditorium serves as an area for prayer, ceremonies, concerts, and guest speakers. The classrooms at Wait Chapel house the offices and classrooms for the Divinity School and the Religion Department.

South Campus is the home of Manchester Quad (formerly known as the Magnolia Quad or Mag quad). It holds freshman housing, most of the classroom buildings, the Benson Center, and the Z. Smith Reynolds Library.

Wake Forest also has affiliated campuses in downtown Winston-Salem, Charlotte and Washington D.C.



Jake LaRavia Junior/Forward



Isaiah Mucius Senior/Forward



**Cameron Hildreth** Freshman/Guard



Daivien Williamson Senior/Guard



**Carter Whitt** Freshman/Guard



**Dallas Walton** Graduate/Center/Forward



**Khadim Sy** Senior/Forward



**Lucas Taylor** Freshman/Guard



Robert McCray Freshman/Guard



**Alondes Williams** Graduate/Guard



**Matthew Marsh** Freshman/Forward/Center



**RJ Kennah** Freshman/Guard



Luc Robinson Freshman/Forward



Anthony Mathis Jr Senior/Guard



**Kevin Dunn** Freshman/Guard



Grant van Beveren Junior/Forward



Miles Lester R-Senior/Guard

#### 2021 - 2022 WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY MEN'S ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown (Previous School)
0	Jake LaRavia	F	6-8	235	Jr.	Indianapolis, Ind.
1	Isaiah Mucius	F	6-8	205	Sr.	East Patchogue, N.Y.
2	Cameron Hildreth	G	6-4	195	Fr.	Worthing, England
4	Daivien Williamson	G	6-1	180	Sr.	Winston-Salem, N.C.
11	Carter Whitt	G	6-3	180	Fr.	Raleigh, N.C.
13	Dallas Walton	C/F	7-0	230	Gr.	Arvada, Colo.
20	Khadim Sy	F	6-10	235	Sr.	Dakar, Senegal
23	Lucas Taylor	G	6-5	195	Fr.	Wake Forest, N.C.
25	Robert McCray	G	6-4	185	Fr.	Columbia, S.C.
31	Alondes Williams	G	6-5	210	Gr.	Milwaukee, Wis.
33	Matthew Marsh	F/C	6-11	230	Fr.	Reading, England
40	RJ Kennah	G	6-5	180	Fr.	Parker, Colo.
44	Luc Robinson	F	6-10	260	Fr.	Cincinnati, Ohio
45	Anthony Mathis Jr	G	6-0	185	Sr.	Louisville, Ky.
51	Kevin Dunn	G	6-2	205	Fr.	Winston-Salem, N.C.
52	Grant van Beveren	F	6-6	215	Jr.	Alpharetta, Ga.
55	Miles Lester	G	6-0	180	R-Sr.	Wichita, Kan.

**HEAD COACH:** Steve Forbes

ASSISTANT COACHES: Jason Shay, BJ McKie, Brooks Savage **DIRECTOR OF BASKETBALL OPERATIONS:** Frank Davis



#### 2021 - 2022 WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY MEN'S OUTLOOK

With an 8-1 start to the 2021-22 season, the Wake Forest men's basketball team is amid its best start since the 2008-09 season.

The Demon Deacons opened their 20-game ACC campaign with a road matchup at Virginia Tech on Dec. 4 in an 8-61 victory and will close the season with a rivalry game against NC State on March 2 in Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum.

Coach Forbes' ACC home opener will come on Dec. 22 when Boston College travels to Winston-Salem. Following Christmas, Wake Forest will embark on a brief road trip, ending 2021 at Louisville on Dec. 29, and kicking off the new year at Miami on New Year's Day.

The Deacs will then return home for a three-game homestand with marquee games against Florida State on Jan. 4, Syracuse on Jan. 8 and Duke on Jan. 12.

After the homestand, Wake Forest will play three of its next four opponents on the road, starting with road games against Virginia on Jan. 15 and Georgia Tech on Jan. 19. The Deacs will return to LJVM to host North Carolina on Jan. 22 before getting back on the road to face Syracuse in New York on Jan. 29.

The Deacs open the month of February at home for a midweek game against Pittsburgh, followed by a two-game road trip with games against Florida State on Feb. 5 and NC State on Feb. 9.

Wake Forest will close the season playing four of its final six games in the Joel: first against Miami on Feb. 12, second against Notre Dame on Feb. 19, third against Louisville on Feb. 26, and fourth against NC State in the Deacs' home finale on March 2.

The final four home games are broken up by Wake Forest's final road trips to Duke on Feb. 15 and Clemson on Feb. 23.

# UNC CHARLOTTE



UNC Charlotte is North Carolina's urban research university. It leverages its location in the state's largest city to offer internationally competitive programs of research and creative activity, exemplary undergraduate, graduate and professional programs, and a focused set of community engagement initiatives. UNC Charlotte maintains a particular commitment to addressing the cultural, economic, educational, environmental, health, and social needs of the greater Charlotte region.

Immediately following World War II, the United Stats experienced an urgent need for a workforce with the education necessary to meet the demands generated by the war and its technology. UNC Charlotte is one of the universities founded at that time in metropolitan areas throughout the United States to meet that need. While it began offering just evening classes taught in the facilities of Charlotte Central High School, the storied institution has grown into the region's preeminent research university on a beautiful, vibrant 1,000-acre campus designed to meet the needs of a new era.

Name - University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Location - Charlotte, N.C. 28223

Founded - 1946

Enrollment - 30.273

Affiliation - NCAA Division I

Conference - Conference USA (C-USA)

Nickname/Mascot - 49ers/Normie the Niner

Colors - Green and White

President - Dr. Sharon Gaber



**Clyde Trapp** Senior/Guard



Jahmir Young Junior/Guard



**Austin Butler** Senior/Guard



**Brice Williams** Junior/Guard



**Marvin Cannon** R-Senior/Guard



**Perry Francois** Senior/Forward



**Daylen Berry** Freshman/Guard



Jackson Threadgill Sophomore/Guard



**Regin Larson** Junior/Guard



Aly Khalifa R-Freshman/Forward/Center



**Robert Braswell** Junior/Forward



Musa Jallow Junior/Guard



Isaiah Folkes R-Freshman/Guard



Jared Garcia Sophomore/Forward



Tyler Fearne Freshman/Guard



Luka Vasic JR-Senior/Guard



Eli Bennett Freshman/Guard

#### 2021 - 2022 UNC CHARLOTTE MEN'S ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown (Previous School)
0	Clyde Trapp	G	6-4	200	Sr.	Eastover, S.C./Clemson Univ.
1	Jahmir Young	G	6-2	185	Jr.	Upper Marlboro, Md./DeMatha Catholic H.S.
2	Austin Butler	G	6-5	210	Sr.	Latrobe, Pa./College of Holy Cross
3	Brice Williams	G	6-7	215	Jr.	Huntersville, N.C./Hopewell H.S.
5	Marvin Cannon	G	6-5	170	R-Sr.	Richmond, Va./Washington State Univ.
10	Perry Francois	F	6-8	240	Sr.	North Miami, Fla./Texas A&M-Corpus Christi
11	Daylen Berry	G	6-4	170	Fr.	Cary, N.C./Panther Creek H.S.
12	Jackson Threadgill	G	6-6	185	So.	Concord, N.C./Davidson Day
14	Regin Larson	G	6-6	185	Jr.	Charlotte, N.C./Pfeiffer Univ.
15	Aly Khalifa	F/C	6-10	255	R-Fr.	Alexandria, Egypt/NBA Global Academy (Australia)
20	Robert Braswell	F	6-7	205	Jr.	Jacksonville, Fla./Syracuse Univ.
21	Musa Jallow	G	6-5	210	Jr.	Bloomington, Ind./Ohio State Univ.
24	Isaiah Folkes	G	6-4	195	R-Fr.	Gainesville, Va./Middleburg Academy
25	Jared Garcia	F	6-8	245	So.	Houston, Texas/St. Thomas More (Conn.)
30	Tyler Fearne	G	6-6	175	Fr.	Cairnes, Australia/Concord Academy (N.C.)
35	Luka Vasic	G	6-8	190	R-Sr.	Pirot, Serbia/Avon Old Farms School (Conn.)
44	Eli Bennett	G	6-2	160	Fr.	Charlottesville, Va./Saint Anne's Belfield

**HEAD COACH:** Ron Sanchez

ASSISTANT COACHES: Aaron Fearne, Kotie Kimble, Vic Sfera

**DIRECTOR OF PLAYER DEVELOPMENT: Byron Dinkins** 

**DIRECTOR OF BASKETBALL OPERATIONS:** Katharine Palmer



#### 2021 - 2022 UNC CHARLOTTE MFN'S OUTLOOK

Following a season marred by the continual presence of COVID-19, the Charlotte men's basketball team enters year four of the Ron Sanchez era with a renewed drive to embody the 2021-22 team motto, "March Forward."

The Niners this season return just 811 points from last season's squad, with 694 of those points coming from junior guards Jahmir Young and Brice Williams.

Williams and Young are the only two regular starters from last year's team returning for what hopes to be a more normal basketball season.

CLT is led by junior Preseason All-C-USA honoree, Jahmir Young, who arrives at Friday night's contest with Wake Forest, just 13 points shy of becoming the 29th-ever Niner to score 1,000 career points. Young currently leads the Niners in scoring with 19.3 points per game, is one of just seven players in Conference USA to reach double figures in every game played, has reached 20 points six times and scored 25 or more three times.

The Charlotte 2021-22 roster, along with Young, features six scholarship newcomers, three of which come from major conference programs. Juniors Musa Jallow (Ohio State) and Robert Braswell IV (Syracuse) and senior Clyde Trapp Jr. (Clemson) arrive from major conference schools and are joined by grad transfers Austin Butler (Holy Cross) and Perry Francois (Texas A&M Corpus Christi). The lone freshman newcomer is Cary, North Carolina product, Daylen Berry.

In each of his first three campaigns in the Queen City, head coach Ron Sanchez has brought in the top-ranked recruiting class in Conference USA. Entering year four, with the number of players brought in through the transfer portal, in the ever-changing landscape of college basketball, Charlotte was seen as one of the winners of the transfer portal, bringing in five transfers, with three coming from major conferences.

The Niners season-opener against Monmouth marked the first time since March 4th, 2020, that Charlotte had welcomed a full capacity crowd inside Halton Arena. That day, the 49ers downed North Texas, 56-43, on senior day. That season-opening matchup was the first competitive men's basketball game in 615 days with a full capacity crowd with no restrictions. Last season Halton Arena attendance was limited to families and friends of student-athletes and coaches, along with select donors, meaning attendance was regularly under 100. In Charlotte's exhibition victory over Georgia, the only player to appear for the Niners who had played a game in Halton in front of fans was guard, Jahmir Young.