



2017-18 AUBURN BASKETBALL

AUBURN ATHLETICS COMMUNICATIONS: 392 SOUTH DONAHUE DRIVE || AUBURN, AL 36830 || AUBURNTIGERS.COM || @AUBURNMBB

QUICK FACTS

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Name.....Auburn University
 Location..... Auburn, Ala.
 Founded 1856
 Enrollment25,469
 NicknameTigers
 Colors..... Burnt Orange and Navy Blue
 Conference..... Southeastern
 President.....Dr. Steven Leath
 Athletic Director..... Jay Jacobs
 Arena (Cap.) Auburn Arena (9,121)
 Athletics Websitewww.AuburnTigers.com

BASKETBALL STAFF INFORMATION

Head CoachBruce Pearl
 Alma Mater (Year)..... Boston College (1982)
 Career Record 506-199 (22 seasons)
 Record at Auburn44-54 (3 seasons)
 Assistant CoachHarris Adler
 Alma Mater (Year)..... Philadelphia Col. of Pharm. & Sci. (1998)
 Assistant Coach Steven Pearl
 Alma Mater (Year)..... Tennessee (2010)
 Interim Assistant Coach Chad Prewett
 Alma Mater (Year)..... Troy State (1994)
 Special Assistant to the Head Coach..... Jordan VerHulst
 Alma Mater (Year)..... Grand Valley State (2008)
 Athletic Trainer Clark Pearson
 Alma Mater (Year)..... Kentucky (1995)
 Strength & Conditioning Coach Damon Davis
 Alma Mater (Year)..... Western Illinois (2003)
 Video CoordinatorFrankie Sullivan
 Alma Mater (Year)..... Auburn (2011)

PROGRAM INFORMATION

First Year of Basketball1905-06
 All-Time Record (Years)..... 1296-1172-1 (112th)
 All-Time SEC Record (Years).....586-730 (85th)
 SEC Championships / Tournament Titles 2 (1999) / 1 (1985)
 NCAA Tournament Appearances (Last)8 (2003)
 NCAA Tournament Record 12-8
 All-Americans..... 13
 All-SEC Selections..... 88

TEAM INFORMATION

2016-17 Record 18-14
 SEC Record (Finish) 7-11 (11th)
 Home / Away / Neutral10-5 / 6-6 / 2-3
 Letterwinners Returning/Lost..... 9/3
 Starters Returning/Lost..... 5/0
 Newcomers.....4

ATHLETICS COMMUNICATIONS

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SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
Nov. 2	Barry (Exhibition)	7 p.m.
Nov. 10	Norfolk State	7 p.m.
Nov. 16	! vs. Indiana State (ESPNU)	10:30 a.m.
Nov. 17	! vs. Temple/Old Dominion	TBD
Nov. 19	! vs. Clemson/Dayton/Hofstra/Ohio	TBD
Nov. 24	Winthrop (SEC Network)	6p.m.
Nov. 29	at Dayton (CBS Sports)	6 p.m.
Dec. 3	George Mason	2 p.m.
Dec. 6	Gardner-Webb	7 p.m.
Dec. 9	UAB (SEC Network)	3:30 p.m.
Dec. 16	@ vs. Middle Tennessee (SEC Network)	5 p.m.
Dec. 19	at Murray State	7 p.m.
Dec. 23	UConn (ESPN2)	1:30 p.m.
Dec. 30	Cornell (SEC Network)	TBA
Jan. 2	* at Tennessee (ESPNU)	6 p.m.
Jan. 6	* Arkansas (ESPNU)	5 p.m.
Jan. 9	* Ole Miss (ESPNU)	8 p.m.
Jan. 13	* at Mississippi State (SEC Network)	2:30 p.m.
Jan. 17	* at Alabama (SEC Network)	6 p.m.
Jan. 20	* Georgia (SEC Network)	5 p.m.
Jan. 24	* at Missouri (SEC Network)	8 p.m.
Jan. 27	* LSU (SEC Network)	5 p.m.
Jan. 30	* at Ole Miss (SEC Network)	8 p.m.
Feb. 3	* Vanderbilt (SEC Network)	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 7	* Texas A&M (ESPN2)	8 p.m.
Feb. 10	* at Georgia (SEC Network)	2:30 p.m.
Feb. 14	* Kentucky (ESPN2)	8 p.m.
Feb. 17	* at South Carolina (SEC Network)	2:30 p.m.
Feb. 21	* Alabama (SEC Network)	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 24	* at Florida (SEC Network)	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 27	* at Arkansas (SEC Network)	8 p.m.
Mar. 3	* South Carolina (SEC Network)	2:30 p.m.
Mar. 7-11	% SEC Tournament (SEC Network/ESPN)	TBA
Mar. 13-14	NCAA First Four	TBA
Mar. 15-17	NCAA First and Second Rounds	TBA
Mar. 22-24	NCAA Sweet 16 and Elite 8	TBA
Mar. 31	NCAA Final Four	TBA
Apr. 2	NCAA Championship	TBA

All times Central // Home games in **Bold**
 * - SEC game // ! - Charleston Classic (Charleston, S.C.)
 @ - Birmingham, Ala. (Legacy Arena)
 % - St. Louis, Mo. (Scottrade Center)



ROSTER

BY NUMBER							BY NAME		
No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown (Previous School)	No.	Name	Pos.
0	Horace Spencer	F	6-8	225	Jr.	Philadelphia, Pa. (Findlay Prep)	41	Cole Blackstock	F
1	Jared Harper	G	5-10	170	So.	Mableton, Ga. (Pebblebrook)	2	Bryce Brown	G
2	Bryce Brown	G	6-3	198	Jr.	Stone Mountain, Ga. (Tucker)	52	Thomas Collier	F
3	Danjel Purifoy	F	6-7	230	So.	Centreville, Ala. (Hargrave Military Academy)	20	Samir Doughty	G
4	Chuma Okeke	F	6-8	230	Fr.	Atlanta, Ga. (Westlake)	14	Malik Dunbar	G/F
5	Mustapha Heron	G	6-5	218	So.	Waterbury, Conn. (Sacred Heart)	25	Brett Easterling	G
10	Davion Mitchell	G	6-1	200	Fr.	Hinesville, Ga. (Liberty County)	1	Jared Harper	G
12	Devontae Williams	G	6-4	215	So.	Opp, Ala. (Opp)	5	Mustapha Heron	G
13	DeSean Murray	F	6-3	225	Jr.	Stanley, N.C. (Presbyterian College)	21	Patrick Keim	G
14	Malik Dunbar	G/F	6-6	230	Jr.	North Augusta, S.C. (College of Central Florida)	22	Will Macoy	G
20	Samir Doughty*	G	6-4	187	So.	Philadelphia, Pa. (VCU)	24	Anfernee McLemore	F
21	Patrick Keim	G	6-0	186	Sr.	Birmingham, Ala. (Mountain Brook)	10	Davion Mitchell	G
22	Will Macoy	G	6-4	190	So.	Birmingham, Ala. (Vestavia Hills)	13	DeSean Murray	F
24	Anfernee McLemore	F	6-7	220	So.	Warwick, Ga. (Worth County)	4	Chuma Okeke	F
25	Brett Easterling	G	6-1	165	Fr.	Tallahassee, Fla. (Lawton Chiles)	3	Danjel Purifoy	F
41	Cole Blackstock	F	6-9	260	Jr.	Killen, Ala. (Brooks)	0	Horace Spencer	F
50	Austin Wiley	C	6-11	260	So.	Hoover, Ala. (Calusa Prep)	50	Austin Wiley	C
52	Thomas Collier	F	6-9	215	So.	Birmingham, Ala. (Briarwood Christian)	12	Devontae Williams	G

* - will redshirt 2017-18 season after transferring with 2 years of eligibility remaining

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BY CLASS

- Freshmen (3)**
Brett Easterling, Davion Mitchell, Chuma Okeke
- Sophomores (9)**
Thomas Collier, Samir Doughty, Jared Harper, Mustapha Heron, Will Macoy, Anfernee McLemore, Danjel Purifoy, Austin Wiley, Devontae Williams
- Juniors (5)**
Cole Blackstock, Bryce Brown, Malik Dunbar, DeSean Murray, Horace Spencer
- Seniors (1)**
Patrick Keim

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

- SAMIR DOUGHTY**SAH-meer DOW-tee
- MALIK Dunbar** Muh-LEEK
- MUSTAPHA HERON** Muh-STAH-fuh HAIR-un
- Patrick KEIM**KIME
- ANFERNEE McLemore**ANN-fur-knee
- DAVION Mitchell**DAY-vee-on
- DESEAN Murray**Duh-SHAWN
- DANJEL PURIFOY**DAN-jel PURE-a-foy
- HORACE Spencer** HOR-us

HEAD COACH BRUCE PEARL

- Has advanced to postseason play in 18 of 22 years as a head coach
- Set single-season wins records at three different schools (29 at Southern Indiana in 1995; 26 at Wisconsin-Milwaukee in 2005; 31 at Tennessee in 2008)
- Bruce Pearl's teams have led their conference in scoring 16 of the 22 years that he has been a head coach. His squads were the SEC's scoring champion in four of his six seasons at Tennessee, averaging 77.4 ppg while allowing 70.5 ppg
- One of just seven active head coaches who has led his teams to at least 10 NCAA Sweet 16 appearances (10 total)
- Bruce Pearl is ranked second in the SEC among current head coaches in career winning percentage (.718), fifth in winning percentage as a SEC head coach (.622), fifth in average wins per year as a SEC head coach (21.0) and fifth in SEC games only win pct. (.540, 81-70)
- Bruce Pearl's 506-199 (.718) overall record is the second-best winning percentage out of the 14 current SEC head coaches
- Bruce Pearl's 189-115 (.622) record as a SEC head coach is the third-best winning percentage out of the current SEC head coaches
- Under Bruce Pearl, Auburn has had 12-of-13 graduating players in Malcolm Canada, Chris Denson, Asauhn Dixon-Tatum, KT Harrell, Allen Payne, Cinmeon Bowers, Jordon Granger, Josh Dollard, Dylan Spencer, C.J. Holmes, Jonathan Walker and Tahj Shamsid-Deen
- Auburn had a perfect 1000 APR in Bruce Pearl's first season in 2014-15
- Auburn reached its first tournament final since winning the 2002 San Juan Shootout in this season's Cancun Challenge
- In 2015-16, for the first time in 48 years since 1967-68, Auburn defeated Kentucky, Alabama, Tennessee, Georgia and Arkansas in the same season
- Auburn defeated Kentucky and Alabama in back-to-back games for the first time since 1967 in 2016 and for only the third time in its 110 seasons of basketball
- Auburn has sold out of season tickets for the third straight time in 2016-17, all under Pearl, to continue the school record streak. Prior to Pearl, the only other time the Tigers sold out of season tickets came in the 1999-2000 season
- Auburn averaged 8,216 in its 15 home games in 2015-16, which is 90 percent capacity at Auburn Arena. Auburn ranked second in the SEC in percent capacity behind Kentucky for the second straight season
- In 22 full years as a head coach, Bruce Pearl's teams have finished either first or second in conference play 15 times
- In the 2015 SEC Tournament, Auburn won three games in three days for the first time in 30 years and reached the semifinals for the first time since 2009. The Tigers defeated Mississippi State and two postseason teams Texas A&M (NIT) and LSU (NCAA) before falling to undefeated Kentucky
- At the Division I level, Pearl's teams have topped the 100-point mark 16 times, including a high of 124 in 2009 as well as 121 in the 2007 NCAA Tournament. In his second year as a coach at Southern Indiana the team averaged 101.7 ppg
- Has coached a league's leading scorer 3 times: KT Harrell, Auburn, 18.5 ppg – 2015; Dylan Page, UWM, 20.9 ppg – 2004; Chris Lofton, UT, 20.8 ppg - 2007



HOMETOWN

Boston, Mass.

HIGH SCHOOL

Sharon HS

ALMA MATER

Boston College '82

PEARL YEAR BY YEAR

Year	School	Record
1992-93	Southern Indiana	22-7
1993-94	Southern Indiana	28-4
1994-95	Southern Indiana	29-4
1995-96	Southern Indiana	25-4
1996-97	Southern Indiana	23-5
1997-98	Southern Indiana	27-6
1998-99	Southern Indiana	26-6
1999-00	Southern Indiana	25-6
2000-01	Southern Indiana	26-4
2001-02	Milwaukee	16-13
2002-03	Milwaukee	24-8
2003-04	Milwaukee	20-11
2004-05	Milwaukee	26-6
2005-06	Tennessee	22-8
2006-07	Tennessee	24-11
2007-08	Tennessee	31-5
2008-09	Tennessee	21-13
2009-10	Tennessee	28-9
2010-11	Tennessee	19-15
2014-15	Auburn	15-20
2015-16	Auburn	11-20
2016-17	Auburn	18-14
Total	22 seasons	506-199

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING

"I am 100 percent on the BP (Bruce Pearl) bandwagon, and I am going to do anything I can to help this program be successful again. For the first time in a long time, I am excited. It has been a long time since I have been excited, but the thing I have been excited the most about is the guy leading the program."
-- Charles Barkley

"I have no doubt that Bruce will continue to make Auburn relevant, not just in the SEC but nationally. It is not just about his extroverted and demonstrative personality but because of his ability to recruit high level players to Auburn, it's only going to be a matter of time before Auburn is competitive on a regular basis in the SEC."
-- Andy Katz

"Bruce Pearl is one of the best coaches in the country, and I think he is doing a terrific job building up the Auburn program, and I think that trajectory is going to continue in that direction. I think he is doing a great job."
- Jay Bilas

2016-17 FINAL STATISTICS



2016-17 Auburn Basketball
Auburn Combined Team Statistics (as of Mar 09, 2017)
All games



Overall record: 18-14 Conf: 7-11 Home: 10-5 Away: 6-6 Neutral: 2-3

#	Player	gp-gs	min	avg	Total		3-Point		F-Throw		Rebounds				pf	dq	a	to	blk	stl	pts	avg
					fg-fga	fg%	3fg-fga	3fg%	ft-fga	ft%	off	def	tot	avg								
05	Heron, Mustapha	32-32	901	28.2	152-344	.442	44-104	.423	137-178	.770	52	143	195	6.1	87	2	43	77	6	27	485	15.2
03	Purifoy, Danjel	29-25	831	28.7	97-244	.398	59-160	.369	80-91	.879	28	108	136	4.7	65	0	51	45	5	41	333	11.5
01	Harper, Jared	32-30	774	24.2	104-270	.385	54-157	.344	103-146	.705	10	52	62	1.9	57	1	95	49	2	37	365	11.4
50	Wiley, Austin	23-22	415	18.0	73-125	.584	0-0	.000	56-114	.491	52	56	108	4.7	59	1	5	41	31	5	202	8.8
04	Dunans, T.J.	31-11	754	24.3	105-271	.387	15-72	.208	29-53	.547	15	93	108	3.5	65	1	76	72	22	31	254	8.2
35	Johnson, Ronnie	32-2	525	16.4	91-210	.433	25-66	.379	43-60	.717	16	41	57	1.8	32	0	75	37	0	22	250	7.8
02	Brown, Bryce	28-13	592	21.1	68-189	.360	56-140	.400	18-27	.667	12	43	55	2.0	49	0	35	26	6	28	210	7.5
24	McLemore, Anfernee	32-1	483	15.1	69-101	.683	1-1	1.000	35-58	.603	54	89	143	4.5	76	0	5	28	37	13	174	5.4
00	Spencer, Horace	19-12	310	16.3	37-66	.561	0-1	.000	18-36	.500	23	42	65	3.4	58	2	10	18	28	14	92	4.8
23	Lang, TJ	29-9	476	16.4	35-88	.398	30-76	.395	26-39	.667	16	35	51	1.8	55	0	14	16	2	10	126	4.3
12	Smith, LaRon	24-3	287	12.0	24-45	.533	0-0	.000	15-29	.517	29	28	57	2.4	56	1	6	16	23	7	63	2.6
22	Macoy, Will	4-0	7	1.8	3-6	.500	2-5	.400	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.3	0	0	0	0	0	1	8	2.0
21	Keim, Patrick	5-0	8	1.6	1-3	.333	1-2	.500	1-2	.500	0	3	3	0.6	0	0	2	1	0	0	4	0.8
31	Waddell, Devin	11-0	75	6.8	2-6	.333	2-4	.500	1-3	.333	1	5	6	0.5	6	0	3	3	0	0	7	0.6
52	Tate, Trey	2-0	4	2.0	0-1	.000	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
41	Blackstock, Cole	3-0	4	1.3	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	2	2	0.7	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
25	Cohen, Mike	2-0	4	2.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
Team											61	61	122		4		5					
Total.....		32	6450		861-1969	.437	289-789	.366	562-836	.672	369	802	1171	36.6	672	8	421	434	162	236	2573	80.4
Opponents.....		32	6450		861-1972	.437	273-765	.357	551-765	.720	400	848	1248	39.0	725	-	435	482	94	197	2546	79.6

TEAM STATISTICS

	AU	OPP
SCORING	2573	2546
Points per game	80.4	79.6
Scoring margin	+0.8	-
FIELD GOALS-ATT	861-1969	861-1972
Field goal pct	.437	.437
3 POINT FG-ATT	289-789	273-765
3-point FG pct	.366	.357
3-pt FG made per game	9.0	8.5
FREE THROWS-ATT	562-836	551-765
Free throw pct	.672	.720
F-Throws made per game	17.6	17.2
REBOUNDS	1171	1248
Rebounds per game	36.6	39.0
Rebounding margin	-2.4	-
ASSISTS	421	435
Assists per game	13.2	13.6
TURNOVERS	434	482
Turnovers per game	13.6	15.1
Turnover margin	+1.5	-
Assist/turnover ratio	1.0	0.9
STEALS	236	197
Steals per game	7.4	6.2
BLOCKS	162	94
Blocks per game	5.1	2.9
ATTENDANCE	117490	155617
Home games-Avg/Game	15-7833	12-11068
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	5-4561

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	OT	Totals
Auburn	1240	1318	15	2573
Opponents	1164	1367	15	2546

Date	Opponent	Score	Att.
11/11/16	NORTH FLORIDA	w 83-66	8093
& 11/14/16	GEORGIA STATE	w 83-65	6980
& 11/17/16	EASTERN KENTUCKY	w 85-64	6987
! 11/22/16	vs Texas Tech	w 67-65	1610
! 11/23/16	vs Purdue	L 71-96	1610
11/29/16	USC UPSTATE	w 90-83	6504
12/03/16	at UAB	w 74-70	8728
^ 12/12/16	vs Boston College	L 71-72	7558
12/15/16	COASTAL CAROLINA	w 117-72	7333
12/18/16	MERCER	w 76-74	7991
@ 12/21/16	vs Oklahoma	w 74-70	3462
12/23/16	at UConn	wot 70-67	12051
* 12/29/16	GEORGIA	L 84-96	9121
* 01/04/17	at Vanderbilt	L 61-80	9918
* 01/07/17	OLE MISS	L 85-88	9121
* 1-10-17	at Mizzou	w 77-72	9688
* 1-14-17	at Kentucky	L 72-92	24372
* 01/18/17	LSU	w 78-74	8327
* 01/21/17	ALABAMA	w 84-64	9121
* 1/24/17	at South Carolina	L 69-98	14356
# 01/28/17	at TCU	w 88-80	6874
* 01/31/17	TENNESSEE	L 77-87	7525
* 2/4/17	at Alabama	w 82-77	15383
* 02/07/17	MISSISSIPPI STATE	w 98-92	7058
* 02/11/17	at Ole Miss	L 84-90	8280
* 02/14/17	FLORIDA	L 95-114	7572
* 02/18/17	at Texas A&M	L 62-81	9377
* 02/21/17	at LSU	w 98-75	6638
* 02/25/17	ARKANSAS	L 68-79	8098
* 03/01/17	at Georgia	L 78-79	7145
* 03/04/17	MISSOURI	w 89-78	7659
% 03/08/17	vs Mizzou	Lot 83-86	8567

* = Conference game
 & = Cancun Challenge (Auburn, Ala.)
 ! = Cancun Challenge (Cancun, Mexico)
 ^ = Under Armour Reunion (New York, NY)
 @ = Hall of Fame's Birthday of Basketball (Uncasville, Conn.)
 # = SEC/Big 12 Challenge (Fort Worth, Texas)
 % = SEC Tournament (Nashville, Tenn.)