



WAKE FOREST WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

2017-18 DEMON DEACON QUICK FACTS

GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of School	Wake Forest University
City (Zip)	Winston-Salem, N.C. (27109)
Founded	1834 in Wake Forest, N.C.
Enrollment	4,955 (undergraduate)
Nickname	Demon Deacons
School Colors	Old Gold & Black
Fight Song	"O Here's To Wake Forest"
Stadium	Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum
Capacity	14,665
Opened	1989-90
Record in Facility	223-182 (.551)
Affiliation	NCAA Division I
Conference	Atlantic Coast Conference
President	Dr. Nathan O. Hatch
Alma Mater, Year	Wheaton College, 1968
Years at Wake Forest	13th
Faculty Athletic Representative	Dr. Peter Brubaker
Alma Mater, Year	East Stroudsburg, 1984
Athletics Director	Ron Wellman
Alma Mater, Year	Bowling Green, 1970
Years at Wake Forest	26th
Athletic Dept. Phone	(336) 758-5616
Ticket Office Phone	(888) 758-DEAC
Press Row Phone	(336) 758-2350

BASKETBALL STAFF

Head Coach	Jen Hoover
Alma Mater, Year	Wake Forest, 1991
Year at Wake Forest	6th Season
Record at Wake Forest	74-87 (.460, 5 years)
Record Overall	94-100 (.485, 6 years)
Assistant Coach	Jermaine Woods
Year at WFU / Alma Mater	1st / Christopher Newport, 2003
Assistant Coach	Lisa Cermignano
Year at WFU / Alma Mater	1st / George Washington, 1997
Assistant Coach	Dane Sparrow
Year at WFU / Alma Mater	5th (2nd as AC) / UNCG, 2012
Director of Basketball Operations	Brooke Thomsa
Year at WFU / Alma Mater	1st / Wake Forest, 2012
Video Coordinator	Jimmy Yu
Year at WFU / Alma Mater	1st / Louisville, 2017
Sports Medicine	Scott Spernoga
Academic Counseling	Brooke Taylor
Equipment Manager	Molly Bachand
Administrative Assistant	Mary Ann Justus
Basketball Office Phone	(336) 758-5763

PROGRAM HISTORY

Years of Basketball	46th
First Season of Basketball	1972
All-Time Head Coaches	10
All-Time Record	551-695 (.442)
Winning Seasons	12
20+ Win Seasons	2
All-Time ACC Record	140-422 (.244)
Best ACC Finish	3rd (1987-88)
ACC Tournament Record	18-40
Winning ACC Seasons	1
NCAA Tournament Appearances	1
NCAA Tournament Record	1-1
WNIT Appearances (Last)	6 (2017)
WNIT Record	5-6

TEAM INFORMATION

2016-17 Overall Record	16-16 (.500)
Home / Away / Neutral	12-5 / 4-10 / 0-1
2015-16 ACC Record / Finish	6-10 / 9th
Starters Returning/Lost	4/1
Newcomers	3

STARTERS RETURNING (4)

No.	Player	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	PPG	RPG
2	Amber Campbell	G	Sr.	5-9	11.9	3.4
25	Ariel Stephenson	G	Jr.	5-10	13.1	3.6
41	Elisa Penna	F	Jr.	6-3	13.4	5.7
14	Alex Sharp	G	So.	6-1	7.4	7.6

OTHER PLAYERS RETURNING (5)

No.	Player	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	PPG	RPG
1	Destini Walker	G/F	R-So.	6-0	-DNP-	
15	Kortni Simmons	G	So.	5-8	2.7	2.8
21	Raegyn Branch	F	R-Fr.	6-2	-DNP-	
42	Tyra Whitehead	F	So.	6-3	3.3	2.9
44	Ona Udoh	F	So.	6-1	1/3	2.3

PLAYERS LOST (5)

No.	Player	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	PPG	RPG
5	Clarisse Berranger	F	Grad.	6-3	1.0	0.6
10	Taylor Gordon	G	R-So.	5-11	-DNP-	
11	Jill Brunori	G	R-Jr.	6-1	-DNP-	
24	Kelila Atkinson	G	R-Sr.	5-10	5.1	3.0
32	Milan Quinn	F	Sr.	6-1	10.5	9.2

NEWCOMERS (3)

No.	Player	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Hometown
0	Maya Banks	F	Fr.	6-4	Chandler, Ariz.
5	Gina Conti	G	Fr.	5-10	Grove City, Ohio
11	Ivana Raca	F	Fr.	6-2	Belgrade, Serbia

ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS

Assistant Director/Women's Basketball Contact	Dan Wallace
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Garwood's Office Phone	(336) 758-5842
Garwood's Email	garwooj@wfu.edu
Associate AD/Athletic Communications	Steve Shutt
Shutt's Office Phone	(336) 758-5640
Shutt's Email	shuttsj@wfu.edu
Director, Communications	Steve Kirkland
Associate Director	Jay Garneau
Assistant Director	Erin Meyer
Comm. Coordinator	Kinsey Pate
Athletic Communications Office Phone	(336) 758-5640
Athletic Communications Office Fax	(336) 758-5140
Mailing Address	519 Deacon Blvd. Winston-Salem, NC 27105
Athletic Department Website	WakeForestSports.com
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Facebook	Wake Forest Women's Basketball
Instagram	Wake Forest Sports @wfuhoops @demondeacons



WAKE FOREST WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

2017-18 DEMON DEACON ROSTER

ROSTER BREAKDOWN

BY CLASS

Seniors (1)

Amber Campbell

Juniors (3)

Elisa Penna

Kortni Simmons

Ariel Stephenson

Sophomores (4)

Ona Udoh

Alex Sharp

Destini Walker (RS)

Tyra Whitehead

Freshmen (4)

Maya Banks

Raegyn Branch (RS)

Gina Conti

Ivana Raca

BY STATE/COUNTRY

Virginia (3)

Kortni Simmons (Spotsylvania)

Ariel Stephenson (Prince George)

Tyra Whitehead (Richmond)

Arizona (1)

Maya Banks (Chandler)

North Carolina (1)

Ona Udoh (Fayetteville)

Ohio (1)

Gina Conti (Grove City)

South Carolina (1)

Amber Campbell (Charleston)

New York (1)

Destini Walker (Ossining)

Tennessee (1)

Raegyn Branch (Arlington)

Australia (1)

Alex Sharp (Melbourne)

Italy (1)

Elisa Penna (Bergamo)

Serbia (1)

Ivana Raca (Belgrade)

NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Yr.	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown	Previous School
0	Maya Banks	Forward	6-4	Fr.	Chandler, Ariz.	Hamilton
1	Destini Walker	Guard/Forward	6-0	R-So.	Ossining, N.Y.	Hermitage
2	Amber Campbell	Guard	5-9	Sr.	Charleston, S.C.	Northwood Academy
5	Gina Conti	Guard	5-10	Fr.	Grove City, Ohio	Grove City
11	Ivana Raca	Forward	6-2	Fr.	Belgrade, Serbia	1st Lyceum of Voula
14	Alex Sharp	Guard	6-1	So.	Melbourne, Australia	Australian Institute of Sport
15	Kortni Simmons	Guard	5-8	Jr.	Spotsylvania, Va.	West Florence
21	Raegyn Branch	Forward	6-2	R-Fr.	Arlington, Tenn.	Arlington
25	Ariel Stephenson	Guard	5-10	Jr.	Prince George, Va.	Prince George
41	Elisa Penna	Forward	6-3	Jr.	Bergamo, Italy	ITC F. Foscarei
42	Tyra Whitehead	Forward	6-3	So.	Richmond, Va.	Cosby
44	Ona Udoh	Forward	6-1	So.	Fayetteville, N.C.	Terry Sanford

ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

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21	Raegyn Branch	Forward	6-2	R-Fr.	Arlington, Tenn.	Arlington
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COACHING STAFF

Head Coach	Jen Hoover Wake Forest, 1991 Sixth season
Assistant Coach	Dane Sparrow UNCG, 2012 Fifth season (Second as assistant coach)
Assistant Coach	Lisa Cermignano George Washington, 1997 First season
Assistant Coach	Jermaine Woods Christopher Newport, 2003 First season
Director of Basketball Operations	Brooke Thomas Wake Forest, 2012 First season
Video Coordinator	Jimmy Yu Louisville, 2017 First season
Sports Medicine	Scott Spernoga Penn State, 1997 20th season
Strength & Conditioning	Jill Zeller James Madison, 2011 First season
Administrative Assistant	Mary Ann Justus Eastern Kentucky, 1976 17th season
Student-Athlete Services	Brooke Taylor Ohio State, 2012 Fourth season
Athletic Communications	Dan Wallace Iowa, 2013 Second season
Equipment	Molly Bachand Kansas, 2007 Second season

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

11. Ivana Raca	EYE-vah-nuh Rock-uh
21. Raegyn Branch	Ray-gen (Like Ronald Reagan)
41. Elisa Penna	Uh-lee-zuh Pen-uh
44. Ona Udoh	Ah-nuh Ooh-doh
Lisa Cermignano	Sir-min-YA-no
Bergamo, Italy	Bear-guh-moe





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2017-18 DEMON DEACON SCHEDULE

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	SITE	TV	TIME
Nov. 10	Friday	TEXAS SOUTHERN	LJVM Coliseum		4:00
Nov. 12	Sunday	SETON HALL	LJVM Coliseum		2:00
Nov. 15	Wednesday	at Richmond	Richmond, Va.		7:00
Nov. 19	Sunday	at Rutgers	Piscataway, N.J.		6:00
Nov. 25	Saturday	vs. Minnesota †	Las Vegas, Nev.		5:30
Nov. 26	Sunday	vs. UNLV/Hofstra †	Las Vegas, Nev.		3:00/5:30
Nov. 30	Thursday	at Penn State %	University Park, Pa.		7:00
Dec. 2	Saturday	ELON	LJVM Coliseum		12:00
Dec. 4	Monday	at Xavier	Cincinnati, Ohio		7:00
Dec. 7	Thursday	APPALACHIAN STATE	LJVM Coliseum		7:00
Dec. 9	Saturday	MARYLAND EASTERN SHORE	LJVM Coliseum		5:00
Dec. 18	Monday	CHARLOTTE *	LJVM Coliseum		11:00 a.m.
Dec. 21	Thursday	at College of Charleston	Charleston, S.C.		12:00
Dec. 31	Sunday	NOTRE DAME ^	LJVM Coliseum	ACCN Extra	1:00
Jan. 4	Thursday	at Pittsburgh ^	Pittsburgh, Pa.	ACCN Extra	7:00
Jan. 7	Sunday	at Miami ^	Miami, Fla.	ACCN Extra	12:00
Jan. 11	Thursday	DUKE ^	LJVM Coliseum	ACCN Extra	7:00
Jan. 14	Sunday	NORTH CAROLINA ^	LJVM Coliseum	RSN	12:30
Jan. 18	Thursday	FLORIDA STATE ^	LJVM Coliseum	ACCN Extra	7:00
Jan. 21	Sunday	at Georgia Tech ^	Atlanta, Ga.	ACCN Extra	2:00
Jan. 25	Thursday	NC STATE ^	LJVM Coliseum	RSN	7:00
Jan. 28	Sunday	at Louisville ^	Louisville, Ky.	RSN	1:00
Feb. 1	Thursday	at Boston College ^	Chestnut Hill, Mass.	ACCN Extra	7:00
Feb. 7	Wednesday	at Duke ^	Durham, N.C.	ACCN Extra	7:00
Feb. 11	Sunday	SYRACUSE ^	LJVM Coliseum	ACCN Extra	2:00
Feb. 15	Thursday	VIRGINIA TECH ^	LJVM Coliseum	ACCN Extra	7:00
Feb. 18	Sunday	at NC State ^	Raleigh, N.C.	ESPNU	12:00
Feb. 22	Thursday	at Clemson ^	Clemson, S.C.	ACCN Extra	7:00
Feb. 25	Sunday	VIRGINIA ^	LJVM Coliseum	RSN	3:00
F28-M4		ACC Tournament	Greensboro, N.C.		TBD

All times ET. Home games in **BOLD CAPS**

% - Big Ten/ACC Challenge

† - Lady Rebel Round-Up

* - School Day Game

^ - ACC Game

