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SERIES FSU Leads 6-2

72nd Season of FSU Football 2018

FSU HAS WON 15 ACC CROWNS IN 26 SEASONS(Thru 2017) 2nd to (CU)
27th ACC Season in 2018
FSU has 41 Consecutive Winning Seasons(2nd all time—Notre Dame 42)

Notre Dame had 42 consecutive winning seasons---Most in a row ever in College Football History(1889-1932) FSU is 2nd with 41(thru 2017)

Notre Dame has won 8 National Championships(T-2nd Ohio State-- Alabama has won 11 National Titles) in the Poll Era 1936-Present

2017 Stats			2018			STAT STORY vs Notre Dame 11/10/18 2018			2017		
(76 th)	(11 th)	155.7	(127 th)	(14 th)	76.9	RUSH OFFENSE	181.0	(53 rd)	269.3	(7 th)	
(89 th)	(12 th)	196.2	(22 nd)	(2 nd)	283.2	PASS OFFENSE	268.1	(134 th)	178.9	(102 nd)	
(100 th)	(13 th)	351.9	(106 th)	(13 th)	360.1	TOTAL OFFENSE	449.1	(32 nd)	448.2	(27 th)	
(100 ^m)	(12 th)	35.2%	(129 th)	(14 th)	30.5%	3rdDown%	43.8%	(31 st)	43.8%	(32 nd)	
		5-10	(92 nd)	(9 th)	7-15	4 th Down%	13-19	(68.4%)	10-18	(55.6%)	
(71 st)	(8 th)	27.8p	(105 th)	(12 th)	23.8p	SCORING	33.7p	(32 nd)	34.2p	(24 th)	
(94 th)	(10 th)	32	(119 th)	(13 th)	28	SACKS ALLOWED	14	37 th	29	83 rd	
8 fum, 13 int / 21 Total			11 fum, 8 int 19 Total			TURNOVERS	3 fum, 8 int / 11Total			7 fum, 10 int / 17Total	
(31 st)	(4 th)	135.6	(17 th)	(3 rd)	111.1	RUSH DEFENSE	142.6	(41 st)	154.5	(51 st)	
(29 th)	(5 th)	195.5	(120 th)	(13 th)	282.6	PASS DEFENSE	188.4	(26 th)	214.7	(53 rd)	
(18 th)	(3 rd)	331.1	(65 th)	(7 th)	393.7	TOTAL DEFENSE	331.0	(25 th)	369.2	(46 th)	
(45 th)	(6 th)	36.2%	(36 th)	(4 th)	34.7%	3rd Down %	37.8%	(55 th)	35.3%	(37 th)	
(29 th)	(5 th)	21.2p	(85 th)	(10 th)	30.4p	SCORING	19.3p	(19 th)	21.5p	(31 st)	
(51 st)	(5 th)	29	(25 th)	(7 th)	25	SACKS	22	(42 nd)	24	(83 rd)	
6 fum, 9 int 15 TOTAL			3 fum, 8 int 11 TOTAL			TURNOVERS FORCED	8 fum, 5 int / 13Total			10 fum, 10 int / 20Total	
102 nd	(12 th)	-6	120 th	(12 th)	-8	TURNOVER MARGIN	+2	(53 rd)	+3	(46 th)	

HEAD COACH



Willie TAGGART 1st Season—2018

42 Years Old (August 27, 1976, Bradenton FL)

Named Florida State's 10th Head Coach on December 5, 2017
Taggart returns to the Sunshine State, where he was the head coach at the University of South Florida from 2013-16, after one season as head coach at the University of Oregon. He began his head coaching career at his alma mater, Western Kentucky University, from 2010-12 after serving as an assistant from 1999-2006. Between his tenures at Western Kentucky, he was an assistant coach at Stanford from 2007-09. He was HC @ USF 2013-16, and Oregon 2017.

Playing Career: A 4 year starting QB @ WKU. His Number is Retired(#1) 1 od 4 . He was a finalist for the Walter Payton Award, and named National Offensive Player of the Year as a SR. Taggart was recruited by Jim Harbaugh, and played for Jack Harbaugh @ WKU.

Willie and his wife Taneshia have three children; Willie Jr, Jackson and daughter Morgan.

4-5 @ FSU 1st

Career Record 51-55 9th Season (25-12 since start 2015 Season)



Brian KELLY

(9th Year Since 2010)

57years old(October 25, 1961)

Named National Coach of the Year in 2009, and 2012(Consensus)
5-4 in Bowl Games

Played LB @ Assumption College 1979-82.

Began Head Coaching Career @ Grand Valley State(MI)—Lakers went 14-0 and won National D-II Championship; 1991-2003; Central Michigan 2004-06; Cincinnati 2007-09(Won 2 Big East Titles); Notre Dame to Present.

Notre Dame had to vacate 9 wins (2013 Season) + 13 wins (2012 Season)
Reflected in Kelly's W-L Record

@ Notre Dame 57-34, (Thru N'western)9th year

CAREER:228-91-2 9th Year(Thru N';western)

NOTES

<p>1993 (South Bend, 11/13/93)</p> <p>#2 ND 31 #1 FSU 24</p> <p>Billed as "The Game of the Century", Bobby Bowden matched X's and o's with Lou Holtz College Game Day made its first campus appearance.</p> <p>FSU trailed 31-17 in 4th quarter but Charlie Ward hit Kez McCorvey with a TD late, and the Noles got the ball back after a 3-and out. Wards TD pass attempt with time running out was batted down by CB Shawn Wooden</p>	<p>2014 (Tallahassee)</p> <p>#2 FSU 31 #5 ND 27</p> <p>Jameis Winston passed for 273 yards and a pair of TDs(23-31, 2TD 1Intc). Trailing 17-10 at Halftime, Rashad Greee caught a TD pass from Winston, and Karlross Williams rushed for a pair of TDs including the game winner with 7:39 left.(1y TD) Notre Dame Everette Golson threw what appeared to be the winning TD with seconds left but a penalty negated the TD, and Golson was picked off on the next play</p>	<p>Series(6-2)</p> <p>1981 #20 FSU 19, ND 3 (SB)</p> <p>1993 #2 ND 31, #1 FSU 24(SB)</p> <p>1994 #8 FSU 23, ND 16(Orlando)</p> <p>1995 #7 FSU 31, #6ND 26 (O-Bowl)</p> <p>2002 #6ND 34, #11 FSU 24(TLH)</p> <p>2003 #5 FSU 37, ND 0 (SB)</p> <p>2011 #25 FSU18, ND 14(Champs)</p> <p>2014 #2 FSU 31, #2ND 27(TLH)</p> <p>Notre Dame Schedule</p> <p>9/1 Michigan 24-17 (FSU Opponent)</p> <p>9/8 Ball State 24-16</p> <p>9/15 Vandy 22-17</p> <p>9/22 @ Wake 56-27 (W 38-17)</p> <p>9/29 Stanford 38-17</p> <p>10/6 @ VaTech 45-23 (L 24-3)</p> <p>10/13 Pittsburgh 19-14</p> <p>10/20 @ Navy 44-22</p> <p>11/3 @ N'western 31-21</p> <p>11/10 FSU</p> <p>11/17 Syracuse, (L-30-7)</p> <p>11/24 @ USC</p>
<p>CFP National Title Game 2012</p> <p>#2 Alabama 42, #1Notre Dame 14</p> <p>The Tide scored on its first possession and never looked back building a 35-0 lead midway through the 3rd quarter. Eddie Lacy scored a pair of rushing TDs and Amari Cooper snagged a pair of TD passes from AJ McCarron.</p> <p>Everette Golson(FSU 2015) threw a pair of late TDs Bama Out-gained the Irish 529y-302, and dominated Time of Possession 38:13-21:47</p> <p>***Notre Dame forfeited all 12 wins Ineligible players</p>	<p>2003 (South Bend)</p> <p>#5 FSU 37 nr ND 0</p> <p>Chris Rix threw 3 TD passes(17-31=327y 3TD, 3Int), Crapnonso Thorpe caught 7 of his passes for a career best 217 yards---(7th most in FSU history) and FSU cruised to its 8th win of the season.</p> <p>Leroy Smith put icing on the cke with a 90y Interception Return TD in the 4th quarter.</p> <p>Xavier Bethia kicked 3 FGs in the game</p> <p>FSU out-gained ND 425-321y</p> <p>ND held scoreless @ home first time since 1978</p>	

GAME NOTES vs Notre Dame 11/10/18

According to the NCAA, FSU has the toughest remaining schedule in the country---it includes 2 of the 5 remaining undefeated teams, and 3 ranked in the Top 10

FSU's Strength of Schedule ---is the toughest in the nation--- Opponents boast a .711 winning %---the ONLY schedule with an opposition winning % above .700

FSU had held opponents to less than 30p in 11 straight games---the 4th longest active streak in the nation---until Clemson scored 59

FSU needs two wins to be Bowl Eligible for the 37th consecutive season---to extend it's Record of 36 in a row

FSU has overcome 10p deficits in 3 of its' four wins this season



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Walt BELL^{1ST} Season—(12TH)

Offensive Coordinator/QBs (34y old June 7, 1984)

Played WR @ Middle Tennessee State---Lettered 4 years for former Seminole Rick Stoickstill. Began Coaching Career @ Memphis (2007-08); Oklahoma St(2009); Southern Miss(GA/WR Coach). North Carolina (2012-13 --TE's + Recruiting Coordinator for Larry Fedora).



Harlon BARNETT^{1ST} Season—(16TH)

Defensive Coordinator (51y old Jan 2, 1967)

Played Safety @ Michigan State---Nick Saban was his position coach. He was a 1st Team All American on MSU's #1 Big Ten Defense in 1989. He was a 4th Round draft pick by Cleveland in 1990. He played for the Browns, New England, and Minnesota. He began his college coaching career as a GA @ LSU for Saban. He coached DBs @ Cincinnati 2004-06, before beginning an 11 year run at MSU---first as Secondary Coach, and last 3 seasons as Co-Defensive Coordinator.



Odell HAGGINS^{25th} Season—2-0 as HC

Defensive Line/Tackles

51 YEARS OLD BORN February 27, 1967
the longest-tenured member of the Florida State coaching staff, entering his 25th season at the school where he starred on the defensive line from 1986-89. He began his career as a tight ends/offensive line coach in 1994 with the Seminoles and took over the interior defensive line duties in 1996, where he has remained a fixture and helped the Seminoles to a pair of national titles in 1999 and 2013. Drafted in the 1990 NFL Draft by San Francisco. Played 2 years with 49ers, and finished NFL career with Buffalo Bills(Super Bowl)

Graduated from FSU in 1993 and began coaching career at FSU in January 1994

As Head Coach 2017---Defeated ULM 42-10 IN FIRST GAME AS INTERIM HEAD COACH 12/2/17 and Defeated Southern Miss 42-13 in Walk-Ons Independence Bowl

NOTES



Greg FREY

OL/RUN GAME

^{1ST} Season—(23RD)

Played OT @ FSU 1991-1996---FSU WON 4 ACC AND 1 NATIONAL TITLE---54-7-1

Clearwater native; Began Coaching career @ USF 1996-06; WVU, Michigan, Indiana and 2017 Michigan



David KELLY^{1ST} Season(20TH)

WR/ Recruiting (61y old Dec 29, 1956)

Played WR @ Middle Tennessee State---Lettered 4 years for former

Seminole OC Art Baker---as a WR, RB and CB. Began Coaching Career @ Furman as GA 1979-80; Was HC @ Dunwoody HS 1984-93-10y). Georgia 1994-95) LSU WR 1996-99; GaTech WR 200-01; Stanford Off Coord 2002-03; Duke 2004-05 WR; UCF-George O'Leary ---2006-11; CFL Edmonton 2012-13; USF 2016, Oregon 2017.



Alonzo HAMPTON

^{1ST} Season—(11TH)

Special Teams Coordinator

Played FB and Track & Field at Louisiana Monroe Was Team Captain in 1996. Brief stints in NFL with Seattle and Jacksonville. Was on NFL Europe Champions Frankfurt; Arkansas Pine Bluff(2006-10); WKU 2011-12;USF 2015-16;(Oregon as Def Analyst)



Raymond WOODIE

Linebackers

^{1ST} Season—(9TH)

Native of Palmetto FL and was HC at his alma Mater.

Graduate of Bethune Cookman. Has been on Willie Taggart's staffs since 2010---WKU, USF, Oregon and FSU



Donte PIMPLETON

Running Backs

^{1ST} Season—(10TH)

Played QB and WR @ Western Kentucky

Began coaching career 2009 @ Louisville(Quality Control) WKU 2010-12 as WR coach; Kentucky Wesleyan (2013-14); USF 2015-16 RB; Oregon 2017 RB.

In 2017 Oregon ranked 2nd the Pac 10 and 13th in the FBS with 251.0y rushing per game

In 2016, USF set a new school rushing mark with 3,709 yards (285.7avg) and 47 rushing TDs.

Pimpleton joined Willie Taggart's first staff at WKU in 2010 and helped the Hilltoppers earn their first bowl invitation in school history in 2012



Mark SNYDER

^{1ST} Season—(30TH)

Defensive Ends (53y old Dec 30, 1964)

Played FS @ Marshall---Set

School record with 10 Intc in 1987. Began Coaching Career @ UCF Ga/LB Coach-Gene McDowell 1989-90; Youngstown State 1991-2000; Ohio State 2001-04-Jim Tressell; Head Coach Marshall 2005-09---{22-37}---Def Coordinator @ Texas A&M 2012-14; Michigan St 2015-17 Sp Teams



Telly LOCKETTE

TIGHT ENDS

^{1ST} Season—(6TH)

Played LB @ Idaho State---a 2X All American and is a member of the ISU Hall of Fame

Head Coach @ Miami Central 2008-12---Devonta Freeman, Dalvin Cook) USF 2013-14, Oregon 2015-17



Irele ODERINDE

Strength Coach

^{1ST} Season—(14th)

Played 4 years as NG @ WKU

Helped team go 40-13 and won 2002 National Championship. Strength Coach @ WKU, So Carolina, WVU, USF---2014-16, Oregon.

FSU is **165-26-1** last 192 home games

(86.3% Thru ULM '17)

FSU is 2-3 in Over Time(All Time)

2-0 @ Home, 0-2 Road, 0-1 Neutral

Beat Clemson 23-17 2014(Home Game) Beat NC State 50-44 '03, lost @Louisville 26-20 '02

Notre Dame "Games of the Century"

1935 Notre Dame v Ohio State (ND won 18-13 in Columbus)

1946 #2 Notre Dame v #1 Army (Ended in 0-0 Tie @ Yankee Stadium)

1966 #1 Notre Dame v #2 Michigan State (Ended in 10-10 Tie @ MSU)

1993 #2 Notre Dame v #1 Florida State (ND won 31-24 in South Bend)