UNCG 2017-18 ATHLETICS RECAP
BY THE NUMBERS: ACADEMICS

- 3.23: Program-record GPA
- 140: Student-athletes named to SoCon Academic Honor Roll
- 86: Student-athletes on Dean’s List
- 66: Academic All-SoCon selections
- 54: Student-athletes on the Chancellor’s List
- 2: Academic All-Americans
BY THE NUMBERS: TEAM SUCCESS

• 5: Teams won SoCon Titles
• 4: Teams won SoCon Tournament and advances to NCAA Tournament
• 3: Teams that won SoCon Regular Season
• 1: National ranking for baseball in triples per game in Division I play
BY THE NUMBERS: INDIVIDUAL SUCCESS

- 35: All-SoCon selections
- 6: Student-athletes selected in the 2018 MLB Draft
- 3: SoCon Player of the Year winners
- 3: SoCon Freshman of the Year winners
- 2: All-Americans
$851,188: Overall cash and gifts in-kind raised; a 12-percent increase over last year and an all-time record ($818,116 raised in 1993)

$532,402: Total cash raised for Athletic Scholarship Fund, surpassing the goal of $525,000

1,121: Donors to the Athletic Scholarship Fund, an all-time record

100: Percentage of UNCG student-athletes who donated to Spartan Club (fifth consecutive year at 100 percent)

100: Percentage of all UNCG athletics staff and coaches who donated to Spartan Club

3: Historic gifts announced
   $1.5 million planned gift for two endowed men's golf scholarships
   $150,000 planned gift to endow shortstop position on baseball team
   $100,000 gift from Jo Safrit ’57 for Women’s Basketball locker room
BY THE NUMBERS: BASKETBALL TICKETS

• 1,002: Men’s Basketball season tickets, a new program record
• 92.5: Renewal rate for Men’s Basketball season tickets
• 30: Percentage increase in Men’s Basketball season ticket revenue
• 21: Percentage increase in Women’s Basketball total ticket revenue
• 20: Percentage increase in Men’s Basketball season ticket sales
• 15: Percentage increase in group ticket sales for Men’s Basketball
BY THE NUMBERS: ATTENDANCE

- 1,465: Record number of fans for Women’s Basketball’s second annual Education Day
- 1,203: Record number of fans who attended Volleyball’s match against Wake Forest
- 19: Ranking nationally for Men’s Soccer
- 1: Ranking in SoCon attendance for Men’s Soccer, Women’s Soccer, and Volleyball
BY THE NUMBERS: MEDIA

• $75,000,000: Value of media reach for University from Selection Sunday through the first round of the Men’s Basketball NCAA Tournament
• $11,930,000: Value of media exposure for Men’s Basketball between SoCon Title and Selection Sunday
• $2,400,000: Value of media exposure after Men’s Basketball defeated NC State
• 3,416: Average viewers per game for Men’s Basketball games on ESPN3
• 1,807: Times #lets goG was used during the week of March 11-17
• 41: ESPN3 broadcasts produced in-house, utilizing students from the Spartan Sports Link program and Media Studies program
ACCOLADES

- SoCon Regular Season and Tournament Champions
- SoCon Coach of the Year: Wes Miller
- SoCon Defensive Player of the Year: James Dickey
- All-SoCon selections
  - First team (Coaches & Media): Francis Alonso
  - Second team (Coaches): James Dickey
  - Second team (Media): James Dickey and Marvin Smith
  - Third team (Coaches): Marvin Smith
  - Freshman (Coaches and Media): Isaiah Miller
MEN’S BASKETBALL

TEAM RECORDS
• 27 total victories
• 16 home victories
• 15 SoCon victories
• First-ever victory over North Carolina State
• Most field goal attempts in a season (2,073)
• Most rebounds in a season (1,304)

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS
• Made three pointers (single season)
  • Francis Alonso (111)
• Attempted three pointers (single season)
  • Alonso (277)
WOMEN’S BASKETBALL

RECAP/ACCOLADES

• 6 wins in SoCon play
• Winners of 4 of first 5 games in season
• Reached SoCon semifinal after upset victory
• 2 All-SoCon nominees
• 1 SoCon All-Tournament selection

RECORDS SET

• Ije Ajemba
  • Division I-era records for offensive rebounds, defensive rebounds, total rebounds and double-doubles
  • Division I-era record for single-game rebounds (22 vs. Wofford)
  • SoCon league leader in rebounds (8.4)
RECAP/ACCOLADES
• 2018 SoCon Regular Season Champions
• SoCon Coach of the Year: Link Jarrett
• Second-highest winning percentage in school history (.722)
• Ranked in the top 30 for Division I in 13 statistical categories
• Led NCAA in triples per contest (0.56)
• Led the SoCon in four team statistical categories
• 21 players on Academic SoCon Honor Roll
• Six All-SoCon honorees
• Two All-Americans

RECORDS SET
New Team Records:
• Strikeouts (529)
• Saves (22)
• Opponent batting average (.254)
Record six Spartans selected in MLB Draft

Andrew Moritz
6th round (Atlanta Braves)

Andrew Wantz
7th round (Los Angeles Angels)

Matt Frisbee
15th round (San Francisco Giants)

Cesar Trejo
17th round (Seattle Mariners)

Bryce Hensley
22nd round (Kansas City Royals)

Jack Maynard
25th round (Chicago White Sox)
SOFTBALL

RECAP

• 46-13 overall record; 13-3 SoCon record
  • Third time in program history winning 40 games in a season
• Won second straight SoCon Regular Season Title and first SoCon Tournament
• Made second NCAA Regional appearance in program history
• Posted both a program-best and SoCon-best 22-3 record at home
• Won every single home weekday game

OWNING THE SOCON

• 4 First team All-SoCon selections tied program record that was set in 2000
• Total of 6 All-Conference selections second-most in program history (8; 2013)
• SoCon Tournament MOP: Alicia Bazonski
• SoCon Coach of the Year: Janelle Breneman
• SoCon All-Tournament: Marisa Sholtes and Rachael McClaskey
• Team led conference in slugging percentage, on-base percentage, runs scored, RBIs, homeruns, doubles, walks, hit by pitches and sacrifice flies and fielding percentage
• Earned nine SoCon Player of the Week awards, a program high, tying Furman for the most in the conference
• Finished the regular season with a 14-2 record against in-state opponents and outscoring them 107-48
• Defeated NC State 24-2 on April 29; the 24 runs tied the fifth-most in program history and the most runs surrendered in NC State history
• The victory over NC State was one of six against ACC opponents; as the Spartans went 6-1 against that conference
MEN’S GOLF

RECAP

- Won first SoCon Championship in program history by five strokes with a team score of 18 - over par 882 (297-285-300)
- Made second NCAA Tournament team appearance in program history
- Finished 10th in NCAA Stockton Regional
MEN’S GOLF

SOCON AWARDS

• SoCon Coach of the Year: Terrance Stewart
  • First coach in program history to win award
• All-SoCon: Bryce Hendrix, Josh Stockwell and Nick Lyerly
• SoCon Freshman of the Year: Nick Lyerly
  • Third straight year a UNCG golfer has received accolade
• SoCon Individual Championship: Nick Lyerly
  • Only golfer to finish with a sub-par score (4-under)
WOMEN’S GOLF

RECAP

• Finished 5th at the SoCon Championships at Hilton Head
• Finished 4th at the Starmount Forest Fall Classic
• Finished 7th out of 43 teams at the Kiawah Island Classic
• Finished in the top 10 in 6 of 9 tournaments
• SoCon Freshman of the Year: Tara Bettle
WOMEN’S GOLF: SUCCESS IN THE CLASSROOM

- 16th best GPA in Division I women’s golf
- All 7 members of the team made SoCon Honor Roll
- 4 SoCon Commissioner’s Medal recipients
- 3 WGCA Academic All-Scholars
- 2 student-athletes with 4.0 GPAs
MEN’S SOCCER

RECAP

• One of 27 programs to win 10-plus games in three straight seasons
• SoCon Freshman of the Year: Nelson Oceano
• First team All-SoCon: Leeroy Maguraushe
• Second team All-SoCon: Matt Mattis
• SoCon All-Freshman selections: Nelson Oceano, Cyril Owolabi and Alex Henderson
• SoCon All-Tournament: Matteo Busio, Josh Masten and Jon Milligan
• 4 SoCon Player of the Week selections
RECAP

- 11-8-3 record; 5-2-2 in SoCon
- Won SoCon Tournament for eighth time in school history and first since 2010
- 8th SoCon Championship extends UNCG’s lead in league titles (Furman; 6)
- Won six straight games entering NCAA Tournament by combined score of 11-1
SOCON SUCCESS

- SoCon Tournament Most Outstanding Player: Regan Lehman
- SoCon All-Tournament: Regan Lehman, Emily Jensen, Cienna Rideout and Heida Ragney Vidarsdottir
- First team All-SoCon: Emily Jensen
- Second team All-SoCon: Regan Lehman and Heida Ragney Vidarsdottir
- All-Freshman SoCon team: Kaley Tucker and Quiqui Hita
- Pinnacle Award winners: Ashton Duty and Kaley Tucker
MEN’S TENNIS

RECAP

• 11 overall wins
• SoCon Player of the Year: Connor Thompson (perfect 7-0 in SoCon play)
• All-SoCon singles first team: Connor Thompson
• All-SoCon singles second team: Ollie Palmer
• All-SoCon doubles second team: Marcus Vidgren and Logan Walker
• Connor Thompson competed in ITA Oracle Masters
RECAP

• Three-match winning streak in February
• Brianna Gomez named All-Freshman SoCon team after going 15-4 and perfect 6-0 at No. 6
• Sophia Adams won 12 singles matches, the second-most on team
CROSS COUNTRY

MEN’S RECAP
• Finished sixth in SoCon Championships
• William Sandin finished 20th with overall time of 25:56:80
• Juan Rodriguez finished 35th with overall time of 26:39:10
• SoCon All-Freshman: Juan Rodriguez

WOMEN’S RECAP
• Finished fifth in SoCon Championships
• Ariana Garcia finished 23rd with overall time of 18:28:10
• India Godlock finished 27th with overall time of 18:41:20
• SoCon All-Freshman: Ariana Garcia and India Godlock
MEN’S RECAP
• Luke Sumerford finished fourth in the 10,000-meter in the SoCon Outdoor Championships with a time of 33:21:43
• Daniel Rust, Jonathan Timothy, Preston Gaines and Juan Rodriguez finished with a season-best time of 3:27:52 in 4x400-meter relay

WOMEN’S RECAP
• Kaitlyn Stone finished sixth in SoCon Outdoor Championships in the 10,000-meter with a time of 39:08:05

SOCON HONORS
• Six selected to All-Freshman teams in their respective events:
  • Ariana Garcia (10,000-meter)
  • Weston Clayton (1,500-meter)
  • Daniel Rust (400-meter)
  • Karl Barksdale (400-meter)
  • Juan Rodriguez (800-meter)
  • Ewan Hynes (5,000-meter)
VOLLEYBALL

RECAP

• Earned first NCAA Division I postseason tournament bid (NIVC)
• 11-5 in SoCon play
• Led the SoCon in average attendance for third time in four years
• Led the SoCon in digs
• Highest fall semester team GPA on record
• Earned AVCA Team Academic Award for third straight year, with a team GPA of 3.47
VOLLEYBALL

CONFERENCE HONORS

- SoCon Co-Player of the Year: Ashley Muench
- 2 First-team All-SoCon selections
- 2 SoCon Offensive Player of the Week awards
- 2 SoCon Defensive Player of the Week awards
- SoCon Defensive Player of the Month: Christina Gregory, tying most times winning the award in conference history
- CoSIDA Academic All-America and CoSIDA Academic All-District: Allison Penner, who led SoCon in assists per set (10.39)