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## 2012 PREVIEW GUIDE

**Team Name:** Eastern Illinois University

**Mascot:** Panthers

**Location:** Charleston/Mattoon, Illinois

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Jessi Smith, Jen Seiler, Amanda Rakers

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 3-2
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results:
- Notables: Beat SIU-C (National Qualifier), 10-2 in first game ever as a team

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 16

**Players to Watch:** Aubrey Frank, Tori Purcell, Kristin Runde

**New additions:** TBA



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**Biggest Rival:** University of Illinois

**Best Player Nickname:** Lauren Wolf, nickname: Elfy

**2012 Season Outlook:** Definitely looking to have a winning season and make a run at winning the conference and heading to nationals.

**Manager Quote:** We have a great group of girls. If we can find another good pitcher or two, we will have a good shot to do some really good things in our first year as being an NCSA team.

## 2012 PREVIEW GUIDE

**Team Name:** GVSU Women's Club Softball

**Mascot:** Lakers

**Location:** Allendale, MI

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Captains: Beth Ruhlman, Lindsey McKenney, Cailin Watts, Paige Schwartz; Coach: Aaron Daldos



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**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 15-5
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: N/A
- Notables: Won the 2010 Fall Frenzy Tournament hosted by U of M as a first year team

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 13**

**Players to Watch:** Jenn Stautz, Lindsey McKenney

**New additions:** TBD

**Biggest Rival:** N/A

**Best Player Nickname:** Kendall "Gazelle" Weber

**2012 Season Outlook:** We have high expectations as a second year team, anticipating more victories than last year and doing well in the EIU Tournament.



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**Manager Quote:** "I was amazed at the dedication and passion that this team put in last season, especially coming in as rookies. All their hardwork and effort showed through their games and tournaments. It definitely paid off and I can't wait to see what they pull off this year." -Eric Garvelink, Graduate Assistant

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**Team Name:** University of Illinois

**Mascot:** Fighting Illini

**Location:** Champaign-Urbana

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Tovah Schwartz, Mallory Weber, Kaity Kasper

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 28-4
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: 1st/5th
- Notables: **W Florida by 10, 2 W's Miami (Ohio), 2 W's Penn State, 4 No-Hitters by Maddie Buchiet**

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 11



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**Players to Watch:** Maddie Buchiet, Dana Gawel, Megan Gier, Lauren Richert

**New additions:** 7 New Players

**Biggest Rival:** Florida and Florida State at the past few Nationals and Miami of Ohio

**Best Player Nickname:** Penguin

**2012 Season Outlook:** Have a lot of talent returning and are looking to build on a young group of girls we had last year. If playing our best softball no one we have played in the past 2 years is unbeatable.

**Manager Quote:** Do not have a manager we are a self run team.

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**Team Name:** Illinois State University Club Softball

**Mascot:** Redbird



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**Location:** Bloomington Normal, Illinois

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Nicole Audette

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 2-3
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: n/a
- Notables: n/a

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 13

**Players to Watch:** Schneider, Hackworth, Block, Swaim

**New additions:** n/a

**Biggest Rival:** University of Illinois

**Best Player Nickname:** "Boss" Jess Swaim

**2012 Season Outlook:** With an all new executive board, we are looking to develop a whole new style of offense and defense. Our biggest goal is to beat University Of Illinois.



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**Manager Quote:** "I can't wait to jump right in and start our season. We have a lot of returning girls, and many prospects. As a new president I am excited to see what I can accomplish with the great set of girls I have."

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**Team Name:** IU South Bend

**Mascot:** Titans

**Location:** South Bend, IN

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Coaches: Donn Jensen, Tim Crowell

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 0-13
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: -
- Notables: -

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 7



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**Players to Watch: -**

**New additions: 5**

**Biggest Rival: -**

**Best Player Nickname: -**

**2012 Season Outlook: 8-7**

**Manager Quote: -**

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**Team Name: Michigan Tech University Fastpitch Softball Club**

**Mascot: Huskies**

**Location: Houghton, MI**



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**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Jessica Neddow, Sarah Wells, Emily Baker, Brittany Breitmeyer, Sam Verbanac

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: n/a
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: n/a
- Notables: n/a

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** n/a

**Players to Watch:** n/a

**New additions:** We are all first-time players in the NCSA Great Lakes West Conference

**Biggest Rival:** n/a

**Best Player Nickname:** n/a



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**2012 Season Outlook:** As a new team in the NCSA Great Lakes West conference, our team hopes to be a strong competitor against our other conference schools, while creating a strong founding team in which our club can grow on. We look forward to recruiting many first-year students, to add to our older member roster.

**Manager Quote:** None

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**Team Name:** Ohio State University

**Mascot:** Buckeyes

**Location:** Columbus, Ohio

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** 6 officers

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 10-3
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: 2<sup>nd</sup> in conference
- Notables:



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**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 8 including Amy Noe (player of the week)

**Players to Watch:** N/A

**New additions:** N/A..yet

**Biggest Rival:** Michigan, Miami Ohio

**Best Player Nickname:** Swags

**2012 Season Outlook:** Nationals Potential

**Manager Quote:** Reeeeed Robin. Yummm.

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**Team Name:** Air Force Academy

**Mascot:** Falcons

**Location:** Colorado Springs, Colorado

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Kaylee Hay and Christa Ewasko; Coach Larry Bryant, Caitlin Thorn, Kara Greene

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: N/A
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: Second
- Notables: Elise Hill

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** Twelve

**Players to Watch:** Kaylee Hay, Elise Hill, Kelsey Dees, Erin Doran, Randi Imerman, Christa Ewasko, Susan Vanden Dries

**New additions:** Molly Gilroy

**Biggest Rival:** University of Colorado Boulder



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**Best Player Nickname:**

**2012 Season Outlook:** With 12 returnees and a new coach, we expect a strong conference showing and look to be a dark horse in the World Series.

**Manager Quote:**

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**Team Name:** Arkansas State University

**Mascot:**

**Location:** Jonesboro, Arkansas

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** April Arford, Candice Long, Justin Craven

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 0/0/0



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- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results:
- Notables:

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):**

**Players to Watch:**

**New additions:**

**Biggest Rival:**

**Best Player Nickname:**

**2012 Season Outlook:**

**Manager Quote:**

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**Team Name:** Colorado



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**Mascot:** Buffaloes

**Location:** Boulder, CO

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Anna Wilcoxon

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 11-1 Conference
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **1<sup>st</sup>**/ 6th
- Notables: It was the first time we have ever made it into the third day of tournament
- **play at the world series.**

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 10

**Players to Watch:** Jori Ryan

**New additions:** None Yet (Meeting is not for another week)

**Biggest Rival:** Air Force Academy

**Best Player Nickname:** We don't have any good ones yet! Hopefully we get some new ones this



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season!

**2012 Season Outlook:** The 2011-2012 Buffaloes Softball team is looking very promising. We have a large group of returning players that are all very committed to the team, and its growth. There is a large number of players that are interested in learning the management process for the upcoming season, so it will be an interesting and eventful year.

**Manager Quote:** Shoulder to shoulder we will fight, fight, fight! fight! fight!

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**Team Name:** Eastern Illinois University

**Mascot:** Panthers

**Location:** Charleston/Mattoon, Illinois

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Jessi Smith, Jen Seiler, Amanda Rakers



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**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 3-2
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results:
- Notables: Beat SIU-C (National Qualifier), 10-2 in first game ever as a team

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 16**

**Players to Watch:** Aubrey Frank, Tori Purcell, Kristin Runde

**New additions:** TBA

**Biggest Rival:** University of Illinois

**Best Player Nickname:** Lauren Wolf, nickname: Elfy

**2012 Season Outlook:** Definitely looking to have a winning season and make a run at winning the conference and heading to nationals.



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**Manager Quote:** We have a great group of girls. If we can find another good pitcher or two, we will have a good shot to do some really good things in our first year as being an NCSA team.

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**Team Name:** Iowa State Fastpitch Softball Club

**Mascot:** "Cy" the Cyclone

**Location:** Ames, IA

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Laura Farlee

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: NA
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: NA
- Notables: NA

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** Everyone's new (first year!!)

**Players to Watch:** All



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**New additions:** Everyone

**Biggest Rival:** Not sure yet!

**Best Player Nickname:** NA

**2012 Season Outlook:** We can't wait for our inaugural season with NCSA!!!

**Manager Quote:** GO CYCLONES!

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**Team Name:** University of Kansas Jayhawks

**Mascot:** Jayhawks

**Location:** Lawrence, KS



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**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Captains: Kendall Knott, Morgan Tichy; Coaches: Mark Hays, Tyler Herbold

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 9 - 7
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: Final Conference Ranking: 3; World Series Ranking: N/A
- Notables: -

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 6

**Players to Watch:** Kendall Knott, Morgan Tichy, Lindsay Horwitz, Megan Smith

**New additions:** Still to be determined!

**Biggest Rival:** Mizzou, Kansas State University

**Best Player Nickname:**

**2012 Season Outlook:** The University of Kansas is looking extremely strong for this 2012 season. With a core group of players returning and many new players being added to the roster, the Jayhawks will be a team to



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contend with this season. Adding a strong lefty to their bullpen as well as immense versatility to the infield, the team has high hopes for the post season!

**Manager Quote:** "With a core group of starters returning and an excellent recruiting class, this year's Hawks look to run the table in conference and make a splash at the World Series." ~Mark Hays

"We have a few key returners this fall and a handful of great young newcomers ready to compete and help us get back on the top of the national rankings this year. Hopefully we can end our season with a trip to Georgia! We're all excited for the season to start and good luck to the rest of the division." ~Tyler Herbold

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**Team Name:** Kansas State University

**Mascot:** Wildcats

**Location:** Manhattan, KS

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Richard Baker (coach)

### **2011 Performance:**

- Record:
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results:



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- Notables:

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** Nine

**Players to Watch:** Chelsea Masterson and Chelsy Lassiter

**New additions:** Audra VonSenden, Robin Berkstresser, Kaitlyn Harlow, Logan Wark, Chelsey Winiger, and Rachel Estes

**Biggest Rival:** Kansas University

**Best Player Nickname:** Bambino

**2012 Season Outlook:** With many returning players, we expect to be a well rounded team.

**Manager Quote:** No manager

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**Team Name:** Missouri

**Mascot:** Tigers (Roar!)

**Location:** Columbia, MO

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Mo Canellas (Captain)/Nick Arnold (Coach)

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 8-9
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: 3<sup>rd</sup> in conference
- Notables: Three of our games we purposely forfeited. Nebraska was required to forfeit to us as they could not attend our games last minute. We instead offered to forfeit to them to help them keep their possibility of attending the World Series and we didn't want some scheduling issues to keep them from achieving that goal.

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 6

**Players to Watch:** Erin Barner, Mo Canellas, Megan Westhoff, Sara Doerhoefer, Christine Glissmann

**New additions:** Have not held tryouts yet



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**Biggest Rival:** Kansas University Jayhawks

**Best Player Nickname:** Pinky. She once got pink eye during the season and we never let her live it down.

**2012 Season Outlook:** With over 100 prospective players already contacting me about attending tryouts, including two that were actively recruited by D1 schools, I believe that this season will be our best chance to make the World Series so far. We fundraised all last year and made great connections with local businesses to save money that we now can afford new training equipment, extra travel and field reservations and uniforms. We are very excited for this season and have very high expectations!

**Manager Quote:** Our team's love for the game is helpful, but our unwavering perseverance in the face of defeat is what leads us to victory.

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**Team Name:** University of Nebraska

**Mascot:** Huskers

**Location:** Lincoln, NE



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**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Barb Scholz, Jessica Einspahr

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 9-4
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: 2<sup>nd</sup> in conference
- Notables: Marissa Wallace, Tessa Klein

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 11

**Players to Watch:** Tessa Klein, Marissa Wallace

**New additions:** Melissa Hilgenkamp, Hannah Bailey

**Biggest Rival:** Kansas State

**Best Player Nickname:** Mom

**2012 Season Outlook:** We should be a pretty strong team with quite a few girls returning, as well as some strong new additions. We look to be in the top half of our conference at the end of the season.



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**Manager Quote:**

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**Team Name:** Saint Louis University

**Mascot:** Bilikin

**Location:** St. Louis, MO

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Madeline Urban, Mia Hurley

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: First Year in League
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: Unknown
- Notables: Unknown

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):**

9 returning players

**Players to Watch:**

Madeline Urban, Anne Tepen, Katie Connor

**New additions:**



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**Biggest Rival:** Unknown

**Best Player Nickname:** Baby Badge

**2012 Season Outlook:** Make ourselves a prominent aspect in the league

**Manager Quote:**

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**Team Name:** SIUC Club Softball

**Mascot:** Salukis

**Location:** Carbondale Illinois

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Samantha Gill



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**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 18-7
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **1<sup>st</sup> in conference and 15<sup>th</sup> at World Series**
- Notables: First time ever going to the world series with a team that was only 2 years old!

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 6 returning players. Natalie Miceli was player of the week twice!

**Players to Watch:** Natalie Miceli, Carly Clark-Stokes, and Ericka Lew

**New additions:** We added 7 new girls to our team!

**Biggest Rival:** Eastern Illinois

**Best Player Nickname:** Big E

**2012 Season Outlook:** Looks good with two new, good teams to our conference

**Manager Quote:** Play like you have nothing to lose, have fun like nothing else in the world matters, and let's do it all again!



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**Team Name:** Southern Illinois University Edwardsville Women's Club Softball

**Mascot:** Cougars

**Location:** Edwardsville, IL

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Whitney Baldyga, President

**2011 Performance:**

- Record:
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results:
- Notables:

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 5

**Players to Watch:** Ashley Jeffers, Whitney Baldyga, Jamie Springer, Doria Wormbly

**New additions:**



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**Biggest Rival:** Southern Illinois University Carbondale

**Best Player Nickname:** Dorito

**2012 Season Outlook:**

**Manager Quote:**

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**Team Name:** University of Maryland Club Softball

**Mascot:** Terrapin

**Location:** University of Maryland College Park, MD

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Morgan Rich and Cathy Tran



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**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 9-6
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: 3<sup>rd</sup> in conference
- Notables:

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 20**

**Players to Watch:** Rachel Wissner, Katie Molinski

**New additions:** Not sure yet

**Biggest Rival:** Navy

**Best Player Nickname:** N/A

**2012 Season Outlook:** We hope to make it to Nationals this year. Last year we were one team off and we plant to make it there this year!



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**Manager Quote:** N/A

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**Team Name:** Radford University

**Mascot:** Highlanders

**Location:** Radford, Va

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Stanatasia Fountain-Yates

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: Won 5 Lost 7
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: ?
- Notables:

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 8

**Players to Watch:** Jami Furr and Sam May



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**New additions:** (TBA soon) Tryouts are Sept. 5-8

**Biggest Rival:** University of Virginia

**Best Player Nickname:** Devon Fleenor aka Lil D

**2012 Season Outlook:** Undefeated Season

**Manager Quote:** We Play Dirty

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**Team Name:** Virginia Tech Club Softball

**Mascot:** Hokie Bird

**Location:** Blacksburg, Virginia



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**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Jam Mowery (President), Natalie Driskill (Vice President), Jess Wessinger (Secretary), Grade Rearon (Treasurer), Sammie Bogolin (Marketing and Media)

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 13-3
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: 4<sup>th</sup> place at Nationals
- Notables: We went into Nationals ranked dead last and ended up placing 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 10

**Players to Watch:** Watch out for all of us, we are a force to be reckoned with.

**New additions:** No new additions yet.

**Biggest Rival:** James Madison University and University of Virginia

**Best Player Nickname:** Natty Light (Natalie Driskill)

**2012 Season Outlook:** This year we plan on beating all of the competition. Our goal, of course, is to make it to Nationals again. I think we have it in us to be a really competitive team and make a statement in the NCSA



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**Manager Quote:** "PLG" - Jam Mowery

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**Team Name:** York College of Pennsylvania Club Softball

**Mascot:** Spartan

**Location:** York College of Pennsylvania

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Cayce Marth (Captain)

**2011 Performance:**

- Record:
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results:
- Notables:

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 12

**Players to Watch:** I do not know yet because we have not started practicing yet.



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**New additions: Incoming freshman**

**Biggest Rival:** Rowan

**Best Player Nickname:** Brown Bear

**2012 Season Outlook:** We hope to add some strong additions to our team and have a better season then last year

**Manager Quote:**

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**Team Name:** Babson Beavers

**Mascot:** Beaver

**Location:** Wellesley, MA



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**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** TBD

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: N/A
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: N/A
- Notables: N/A

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** N/A

**Players to Watch:** N/A

**New additions:** The whole team! :)

**Biggest Rival:** N/A

**Best Player Nickname:** N/A

**2012 Season Outlook:** It is our first season, and we are looking forward to playing other teams and building up our reputation as a competitive team!



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**Manager Quote:** N/A

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**Team Name:** Cornell University

**Mascot:** Big Red

**Location:** Ithaca, NY

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Erika Hoppner, Elana Marber, Jenny Molinda

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 6-6
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: 3rd in Conference
- Notables: Erika Hoppner, Nikki Dulaney, Kathy Chaloux, Jen Marino

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 12

**Players to Watch:** Erika Hoppner - Had the highest batting average, slugging percentage, and on-base-percentage in the NCSA last year.



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**New additions:** Not Yet Determined.

**Biggest Rival:** Syracuse, Ithaca

**Best Player Nickname:**

**2012 Season Outlook:** The Cornell Club Softball 2012 Season Outlook is very promising. With all but 2 players returning, we look to have strong cohesion within the team. Last Year was Cornell's first year in the NCSA. Despite being a young team, Cornell notched wins against all of their opponents last year. Cornell is definitely a team to be reckoned with.

**Manager Quote:** Cornell is only going to get stronger.

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**Team Name:** UD Club Softball

**Mascot:** Fightin' Blue Hen



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**Location:** Newark , De

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Kelsey Kerrigan - President

Lizzy Adams- Vice President

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 11-3
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: 2<sup>nd</sup> in conference
- Notables:

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 14

**Players to Watch:** EVERYONE!

**New additions:** tryouts pending

**Biggest Rival:** The College Of New Jersey

**Best Player Nickname:** "Tabby Cat" (Tabitha Tomasella)



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**2012 Season Outlook:** We plan on revamping an already stocked softball club team, while making a run for our conference's regionals then moving onto the world series. We are a team to be reckoned with.

**Manager Quote:** "Talent comes from the mind, desire comes from the heart"

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**Team Name:** Hartwick

**Mascot:** Hawks

**Location:** Oneonta, NY

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Kailee Granger (Coach/Cap), Jodi Hotalen (Cap)

**2011 Performance:**

- Record:
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results:
- Notables:

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):**



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**Players to Watch:** All ;)

**New additions:** We all are!

**Biggest Rival:**

**Best Player Nickname:**

**2012 Season Outlook:** To play ball!

**Manager Quote:** "Success is never final, and failure is never fatal."

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**Team Name:** Ithaca College Bombsquad

**Mascot:** Bombers



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**Location:** Ithaca, NY

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Caitlin Murphy and Courtney Ellis (captains)

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 1-10
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results:
- Notables:

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 12 returning players

**Players to Watch:** TBA

**New additions:** TBA

**Biggest Rival:** Cortland

**Best Player Nickname:**



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**2012 Season Outlook: To have a winning record!**

**Manager Quote:**

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**Team Name:** Lafayette College Lady Leopards

**Mascot:** Leopard

**Location:** Easton, PA

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Kelly Sullivan, Megan Schultz, Caitlin Damiano, and Jessie Northgrave

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 9-8
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: 3
- Notables:

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 10



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**Players to Watch:**

**New additions:**

**Biggest Rival:** TCNJ

**Best Player Nickname:**

**2012 Season Outlook:** We anticipate another successful season with a great team and to have a lot of fun.

**Manager Quote:**

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**Team Name:** Northeastern University

**Mascot:** Huskies

**Location:** Boston MA



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**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Cara Bartolomeo / Paul Needham

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: **4-8**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results:
- Notables:

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 12

**Players to Watch:** Kurstin Provencher, Maddy McKenna, Lindsay Truglio

**New additions:** We have many new talented players trying out this year.

**Biggest Rival:** UConn

**Best Player Nickname:** G of the Week



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**2012 Season Outlook:** We are very excited about this coming season! We are returning a lot of solid veterans from last year and have a great looking group of new players, so we should put together a great team this year!

**Manager Quote:** Our team is really close and supportive on and off the field. We all work really hard and are excited about this season. I think we have lots of potential!

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**Team Name:** Pitt Club Softball

**Mascot:** Panther

**Location:** Pittsburgh, PA

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Ashley Pallone, President; Lindsey Jefferis, Vice President; Amber Holsopple, Business Manager; Kacie Duncan, General Manager

### **2011 Performance:**

- Record: 7-5 in conference; 12-13 overall
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: 2<sup>nd</sup> in region
- Notables: Attended NCSA Spring Training in Tampa, FL for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year in a row



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**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 11**

**Players to Watch:** Emily Eberhard-- Starting her freshman season off strong, she was a key component to our offense. We could rely on her bat in difficult situations and she eventually worked her way to the number four batting spot. We are looking forward to having her power at the plate with us this upcoming season.

Kelsey Henke-- With her stellar speed, Kelsey was able to cover a lot of ground in the outfield for us last year and was easily recognized as one of our top defensive players. We look forward to having her quick feet and solid glove on our team this year.

**New additions:** Being a fairly young team, we have numerous additions that show promising leadership qualities and skills both on and off the field. We look forward to seeing how these girls develop in the upcoming years to help get our team back to Nationals and improve team morale.

**Biggest Rival:** Penn State University has always been one of Pitt's biggest rivals in academics and athletics. This bitter rival between our two teams always makes our games very competitive. This added sense of competition makes this series one of the most anticipated series of the season.

**Best Player Nickname:** "Dirty Duncan"-- Kacie Duncan

**2012 Season Outlook:** Coming off a season just under 0.500, we hope to improve in areas we struggled with last year. We hope to limit the amount of errors on the field and get those key hits to decrease the number of



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runners left on base. We also struggled with pitching, but look very optimistic with new pitching talent. We plan on attending Spring Training in Tampa again this year where we hope to finally clinch the championship title. We are excited for this year and hope to make our second appearance at Nationals.

**Manager Quote:** "With all our games taking place in the fall and being a young team with a lot of new additions, it will be a challenge to prepare our team in such a short amount of time. As coaches we don't doubt that our goals are unachievable because we know the amount of dedication our team has. We plan on working hard to be ready for our quickly approaching season."

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**Team Name:** Penn State

**Mascot:** Nittany Lion

**Location:** State College, Pennsylvania

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Kelsey Detweiler

### 2011 Performance:

- Record: 15-6
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **Conference Champions/ 9<sup>th</sup> Place at WS**



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- Notables: Back to Back Big Ten Tournament Champions; Went 2-3 at the NCWS

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): Graduated three seniors after the 2010-2011 season. At least five returning players this season.**

**Players to Watch:**

**New additions:**

**Biggest Rival:** University of Pittsburgh, West Virginia University

**Best Player Nickname:** Redhead City

**2012 Season Outlook:** The team is looking to build on last year's exciting World Series finish, and be in the mix of the top 10 teams in the nation again this season.

**Manager Quote:** Success with honor. WE ARE, Penn State.

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**Team Name:** Rowan University Club Softball

**Mascot:** Profs

**Location:** Glassboro, NJ

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Captains- Melissa Gustray & Lisa Sienrukos Coach- Ryan Logan-Magnusson

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 6-12
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: 4<sup>th</sup>
- Notables:

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 11

**Players to Watch:** Lisa Sienrukos, Lauren Creel

**New additions:** Unknown

**Biggest Rival:** University of Delaware



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**Best Player Nickname:**

**2012 Season Outlook:** We were a brand new team to the league last year and it showed in our record. We played hard and practiced harder all year and are prepared to come out and turn some heads this year.

**Manager Quote:** "Our goal for the season is to be undefeated." Ryan Logan Magnusson

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**Team Name:** Rutgers Club Softball

**Mascot:** Scarlet Knight

**Location:** New Brunswick, New Jersey

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Alyssa Marchitto/ Kirstie Kendall

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 0-6



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- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results:
- Notables:

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 8**

**Players to Watch:**

**New additions:**

**Biggest Rival:** Lafayette

**Best Player Nickname:** Giustina "Juicy" LoRusso

**2012 Season Outlook:** After several rebuilding years, Rutgers is looking to have a strong showing in the 2011/2012 season. We have been working hard to turn the team around and this will be the year we see success.

**Manager Quote:**



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## 2012 PREVIEW GUIDE

**Team Name:** Sacred Heart University Pioneers

**Mascot:** Big Red

**Location:** Fairfield, Connecticut

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Stephanie Stiles & Meg McGuinness

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 9-7
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: 4th
- Notables:

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 10

**Players to Watch:** Meg McGuinness (CF/C), Dana Motta (1B), Jess Ainsley (2B), Kelsey Consiglio (P)

**New additions:**



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**Biggest Rival:**

**Best Player Nickname:** "Beyonce"

**2012 Season Outlook:** Sacred Heart will compete for the division title with a great group of returners and a solid freshmen class

**Manager Quote:** "The Sacred Heart club softball team had a very succesful year in their first season in the NCSA and we are looking to build on was accomplished last year"

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**Team Name:** Syracuse Club Softball Team

**Mascot:** Otto the Orange

**Location:** Syracuse, NY



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**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Rachel Valletta & Stephanie Speranza

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 4-8
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: 3<sup>rd</sup> in Nort Atlantic Conference-North
- Notables:

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** N/A have not held tryouts

**Players to Watch:** Christine McGrail (3B), Stephanie Speranza (SS), Alexandra Carmichael (Catcher), Rachel Valletta (SS)

**New additions:** N/A have not held tryouts

**Biggest Rival:** Cortland

**Best Player Nickname:** N/A

**2012 Season Outlook:** Positive Record 8-4. We hope to take on more talent this year. We are holding tryouts where no returning players have a definite position on the team. Everyone must fight for their position and we are looking to strengthen our team this year with better talent and more focused players.



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**Manager Quote:** Rub some dirt in it and take a lap!

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**Team Name:** THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY

**Mascot:** Lions

**Location:** Ewing, NJ

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** James McGlew (Manager), Matt Waffefeld (Coach), Jessica Babinski (Co-president), Alyssa Rowen (Co-president)

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 11-6
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: 1<sup>st</sup> in conference, and 0-5 in world series play
- Notables: 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row dominated conference play, in world series play TCNJ played 4 out of 5 games close and put up the most runs against the eventual champions FSU

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 14 returning players including 2 time pitcher of the week Sammi Giambri



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**Players to Watch:** Sammi Giambri returns to lead the pitching staff in her senior year, freshman standout Elizabeth Maricic looks to continue her hot bat into the new season as well as Brittany Titus to return to her hitting ways after a slow start to her sophomore season.

**New additions:** N/A

**Biggest Rival:** Delaware and Rowan

**Best Player Nickname:** Mask of Zoro- Ashley Zarcaro

**2012 Season Outlook:** The Lady Lions should once again be at the top of the North Atlantic Eastern Conference. After 2 successful seasons TCNJ is after a 3<sup>rd</sup> conference title in a row and with the returning talent it shouldn't be too tough of a road to reach that goal. TCNJ looks forward to being an even stronger competitor at Nationals in the spring.

**Manager Quote:** "After 2 winning seasons we expect to be at the top of the leaderboard again. We return so many players many of them being leaders on the team so I'm fairly confident we can dominate our conference again. We competed valiantly in the World Series last year and expect to win a few in our pending return!"



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**Team Name:** UConn Club Softball

**Mascot:** Huskies

**Location:** Storrs, CT

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Haley Dorne, Kelli Griffiths, Jessica Tumio

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 12-0
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **12-5**
- Notables:

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 11

**Players to Watch:**

**New additions:**

**Biggest Rival:** Cortland



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**Best Player Nickname:**

**2012 Season Outlook:** UConn Club Softball hopes to compete at the highest level this season, both with their 11 returning players and some new additions.

**Manager Quote:**

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**Team Name:** University of Vermont

**Mascot:** Catamounts

**Location:** Burlington, VT

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Tasha Manning



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**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 3-3
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: N/A
- Notables:

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 15**

**Players to Watch:** Ryan Heslin-Cunningham, Casey Baczewski, Rachel Rogoff

**New additions:** McKayla Mulhern

**Biggest Rival:** UConn

**Best Player Nickname:** Tosh.0

**2012 Season Outlook:** Have a .500 or better first season record. Make playoffs.

**Manager Quote:** "Looking forward to a great season as a first year member of the NCSA. Hoping to improve on our success last spring and gain recognition throughout our conference and the Northeast."



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**Team Name:** West Virginia University

**Mascot:** Mountaineer

**Location:** Morgantown, WV

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Captains: Meaghan Hunt and Sydney Brown Coach: Brooke Hinkle

### **2011 Performance:**

- Record: 7-5 in conference; overall 15-12
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: 3<sup>rd</sup> in Conference
- Notables: Won William & Mary tournament in Spring 2011; Beat undefeated JMU

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 13

**Players to Watch:** Katelyn Briggs, Sydney Brown, Meaghan Hunt, Julia Marrin

**New additions:** n/a



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**Biggest Rival:** Pitt

**Best Player Nickname:** Boss

**2012 Season Outlook:** Our 2012 season outlook looks very bright. We have a young team and hope to further our record by playing many more games this year. We have a lot of returning players, as well as a handfull of new ones coming to the team soon. We are excited about York College joining our conference and we hope to better our conference record this year.

**Manager Quote:**

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**Team Name:** Campbell University

**Mascot:** The Fighting Camels

**Location:** Buies Creek, North Carolina



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**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Kathryn Lindquist - Captain/President; Richard Lindquist - Coach

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: N/A
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **N/A**
- Notables: **N/A**

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** Four - Rebecca Arnold; Kathryn Lindquist; Brooke Powell; Jodi Rose.

**Players to Watch:** Brittney Gaumond; Alexis Jones; Kathryn Lindquist; Rebecca Wells.

**New additions:** Sabrina Bonomolo; Rachel Burgess; Erica Bruer; Kristin Chapin; Blake Faircloth; Brittney Gaumond; Crytal Hoegen; Alexis Jones; Shylaza Ross; Rebecca Wells.

**Biggest Rival:** Duke University

**Best Player Nickname:** N/A

**2012 Season Outlook:** The 2012 season looks to be competitive for the Campbell University Club Softball Team, as the already deep roster has only improved with the addition of an influx of talent. This team looks to have strong fielding, hitting, and pitching skills with a surplus of drive and athleticism.



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**Manager Quote:** "I am honored to have the opportunity to play with such a talented group of players who I hope, by the end of the season, will not only see one another as teammates, but also as friends. This team will be extremely competitive for the 2012 season, and I am very excited to step on the playing field with this team." - Kathryn Lindquist, President of Campbell University Club Softball

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**Team Name:** Duke Club Softball

**Mascot:** Blue Devil

**Location:** Durham, NC

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Jennifer Nichols/Bob Conroy

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: **3-9**
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: 4<sup>th</sup> / N/A
- Notables: **Three game sweep of Campbell University**

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 11



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**Players to Watch:** Bianca Tyler, Carmen Lopez, Jennifer Nichols

**New additions:** N/A (Practices haven't started yet)

**Biggest Rival:** UNC Chapel Hill

**Best Player Nickname:** Samantha "Speedy Gonzales" Koh

**2012 Season Outlook:** Even though we lost many talented players, including our pitchers, to graduation last year, we hope to compete at high level this season with the help of new talent.

**Manager Quote:**

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**Team Name:** Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

**Mascot:** Eagles



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**Location:** Daytona Beach, FL

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Coach James Yogi

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 3-9
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: ?
- Notables: First Competitive Season

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 14

**Players to Watch:** Jori Walan, Breanna McGuire, Kirsten Peterson, Jenna Fitz

**New additions:**

**Biggest Rival:**

**Best Player Nickname:**



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**2012 Season Outlook:** Much improved from last season. 3 brand new on campus softball diamonds will make practices much easier and allow more money to be spent on equipment and travel. Looking forward to a winning season!

**Manager Quote:**

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**Team Name:** University of Florida

**Mascot:** Gators

**Location:** Gainesville, FL

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Kristin Cline (President); Will Flynn and Jessica Sabo (coaches)

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: Don't remember...around 25-4
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: 3<sup>rd</sup> place at World Series
- Notables:

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 12



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**Players to Watch:** Kelly Langer, Hannah Bannon, Kristin Cline, Emily Crosby

**New additions:** haven't had tryouts.

**Biggest Rival:** Florida State

**Best Player Nickname:** Lang Lang

**2012 Season Outlook:** Win another world series

**Manager Quote:**

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**Team Name:** Club Softball at Florida State University

**Mascot:** Seminoles



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**Location:** Tallahassee

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Morgan McGuire, Rachel Tirpak

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 18-5
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **2<sup>nd</sup> in Conference/ Won World Series!**
- Notables: Winning the World Series

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 12

**Players to Watch:** Kelli McDonough, Robyn Adams

**New additions:**

**Biggest Rival:** University of Florida

**Best Player Nickname:** Robbieheart

**2012 Season Outlook:** Making it back to Nationals



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**Manager Quote:** "Softball forever...Friends sometimes"

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**Team Name:** Georgia Southern Club Softball

**Mascot:** Eagles

**Location:** Statesboro, GA

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** President: Brittany Walker, Coach: Antoine Toombs, Captains: Brandi Huerd , Cory Morgan

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 3-7
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: N/A
- Notables:

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 5



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**Players to Watch:** Brandi Huerd, Cory Morgan

**New additions:** Alexis Hays, Leigh Robbins,

**Biggest Rival:** UGA

**Best Player Nickname:** N/A

**2012 Season Outlook:** To be a better team, have better attitudes and be able to redeem ourselves from last year season

**Manager Quote:** "Do it because you love it, not because you have to"

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**Team Name:** Kennesaw State University

**Mascot:** Owls



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**Location:** Kennesaw, Georgia

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Brittany Orton, Katie Hewitt, Cole Crowder

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 19-3
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: Won South Atlantic Conference - West
- Notables: Won our conference in first year, making it to the World Series

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 7

**Players to Watch:** All - we have a great group of girls!

**New additions:** Holding tryouts on Sept. 3 - lots of great new prospects planning on coming to tryouts

**Biggest Rival:**

**Best Player Nickname:**

**2012 Season Outlook:** We hope to keep the winning tradition and win our conference and place higher in the World Series than we did in 2011.



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**Manager Quote:**

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**Team Name:** NC State Club Softball

**Mascot:** Wolfpack

**Location:** Raleigh, NC

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Coaches: Jeff Hellman and Curt Woods

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 9-3 conference record
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: 2<sup>nd</sup> in our conference
- Notables:

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 9



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**Players to Watch:** Megan Cowen, Katie Chunn, and many more.

**New additions:** TBD

**Biggest Rival:** ECU

**Best Player Nickname:** Pocket Rocket

**2012 Season Outlook:** It's going to be a great year!

**Manager Quote:** "NC State is going to be doing big things this season! Watch out."

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**Team Name:** UCF

**Mascot:** Knights



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**Location:** Orlando, FL

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Caitlin Baldwin, Kelsey Moskovits

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 10-7-1
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: 3<sup>rd</sup> in Conference
- Notables: **Finished tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> at UGA's Bulldawg Brawl**

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 11

**Players to Watch:** Paige Blankenship, Carolyn Corry

**New additions:** Have not held tryouts

**Biggest Rival:** UF Gators

**Best Player Nickname:** Kimmychonga (Kimmy Caron)

**2012 Season Outlook:** We look to continue to become a stronger team. This year will be the most disciplined team we have had, which will hopefully lead to a run at the conference championship.



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**Manager Quote:**

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**Team Name:** UGA Club Softball

**Mascot:** Bulldog

**Location:** Athens, GA

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Whitney Warren, Erin Meyers

**2011 Performance:**

- Record: 9-5
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: **2<sup>nd</sup> in Conference**
- Notables: **2<sup>nd</sup> in Fall Bulldawg Brawl**

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 10

**Players to Watch:** Brittany Stanga, Whitney Warren, Tori Moody



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**New additions:** Natalie Dixon, Cidney Scoggins

**Biggest Rival:** Kennesaw State

**Best Player Nickname:** Lil' Megan

**2012 Season Outlook:** We are looking to make it back to the NCSA World Series!

**Manager Quote:** "We've added some great girls to the team. We plan on getting a lot of practice and games in so that we can qualify for the world series this year"- Erin Meyers

## 2012 PREVIEW GUIDE

**Team Name:** UNC Club Softball

**Mascot:** Tarheels

**Location:** Chapel Hill, NC



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**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Amber Sauls -President

**2011 Performance:**

- Record:
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: 3<sup>rd</sup> in conference
- Notables: **Tied standings for most-earned-wins pitcher and second slugging percentage hitter in league**

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):** 10

**Players to Watch:** Whole team effort.

**New additions:** Adding to our pitching staff with the incoming freshman class.

**Biggest Rival:** Competitive conference overall.

**Best Player Nickname:**

**2012 Season Outlook:** Looking forward to competitive, fun season and taking our skill level to the next level in the sport we love to play. Would love to make Nationals.



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**Manager Quote:**

## 2012 PREVIEW GUIDE

**Team Name:** West Georgia Technical College

**Mascot:** Golden Knights

**Location:** Waco, Ga

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Head Coach- Stephanie Herrera

Asst. Kathy Spradlin

Asst. Tammy Smith

2011 Performance: First Year

- 1 Record:
- 2 Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results:
- 3 Notables:

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners):**

First Year

Players to Watch:

Ashley Brooks, Jordan Melson, Alicia Smith, Rachel Daniel



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*New additions:*

**15 new players coming in to represent the Golden Knights!**

**Biggest Rival:** Kennesaw State, UGA

**Best Player Nickname:**

**2012 Season Outlook:**

**We have some tough non-conference competition but we are looking forward to playing at the club level. We hope to have a successful season and come out on top!**

**Manager Quote:**

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**Team Name:** Winthrop University

**Mascot:** Eagles

**Location:** Rock Hill, SC

**Captain(s)/Coach(s):** Hannah Owen(Captain) Brent Vogel (Coach)



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**2011 Performance:**

- Record: N/A
- Final Conference Ranking/World Series Results: N/A
- Notables: N/A

**Number of Returning Players (Include conference/league award winners): 11**

**Players to Watch:** Hannah Owen, Holli Ryan, Dixie Perano

**New additions:** N/A Tryouts are September 1, 2011

**Biggest Rival:** N/A

**Best Player Nickname:** N/A

**2012 Season Outlook:** Hopefully, play in the world series.

**Manager Quote:** N/A



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