



# The Southeastern Conference

Setting the Standard for Intercollegiate Athletics

in

## Gymnastics

### Notes

The Southeastern Conference is widely regarded as the most dominating gymnastics conference in the NCAA.

Since the inaugural NCAA Championship in 1982, the SEC has had at least one team in all 30 national championship meets, with Florida being one of only two teams nationally (Utah is the other) to have appeared at all 20 contests prior to the Gators barely missing the cut in 2000. The SEC has also had at least one team finish in the Top-10 in the NCAA since 1982.

The SEC entered the record books at the 1998 NCAA Championships, becoming the only conference in women's collegiate gymnastics to sweep the top three spots. Georgia won its fourth championship title with the largest margin of victory in over 10 years. The Bulldogs outdistanced second-place Florida who finished just ahead of Alabama. It marked the 12th consecutive year that the SEC placed at least two teams in the final top five.

At the 1999 NCAA Championships, Georgia won its second consecutive and fifth overall first-place title. Alabama, Florida and LSU all finished in the top 10.

In 2000, both Georgia and Alabama finished in the top five, with LSU coming in at ninth. Georgia was the national runner-up in 2001, with Alabama finishing fourth and Florida seventh.

In 2002, Alabama once again brought the NCAA title back to the SEC by claiming its fourth National Championship, and brought the SEC its eighth overall title. The Crimson Tide edged out SEC rival Georgia 197.575-197.250, making the Bulldogs the NCAA runner-up for a second consecutive year and having SEC teams claim the top two spots for the first time since 1998. LSU finished eighth at the Nationals, while Florida placed 10th.

In 2003, the SEC sent five teams to the NCAA Championships for the third time, with four of those finishing in the top ten. Alabama finished as the runner-up, with Georgia finishing third. It is the 12th time that the SEC has had two teams finish in the top three.

In 2004, the SEC placed three teams in the top five at the NCAA Championships. Georgia won the SEC's 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th national championships in 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009. The SEC set a record with five teams advancing to the Super Six in 2009. Alabama won their sixth, and the SEC's 16th national championship, in 2012.

In addition to phenomenal success on the team level, SEC athletes have also excelled at the individual level, claiming a total of 84 individual championships, including all five in 2012.

In its own right, the SEC has swept all five individual titles on five separate occasions - 1991, 1993, 1994, 2009 and 2012.

- Alabama won its sixth national championship in 2012 and brought home the SEC's 16th overall title.

- In 1998 the SEC entered the record book as the only conference to sweep the top three spots at the NCAA meet (Georgia, Florida, Alabama).

- 2012 marked the 26th consecutive year that the SEC placed at least two teams in the final top five. A record five SEC teams advanced to the Super Six in 2009.

- 21 times in the past 28 years the SEC has placed at least four teams in the Top 10 at the NCAA meet, including 1991, 1993, 2008 and 2009 when five teams were ranked.

- SEC leads all Division I conferences in NCAA Individual titles with 80.

- Georgia leads all Division I schools in NCAA Individual titles with 39.

- The SEC was awarded 26 first team All-American honors in 2012.