

2010 MEN'S



BASKETBALL



GENERAL FACTS:

Institution: Spring Hill College
City/State/Zip: Mobile, AL 36608
Founded: 1830
Enrollment: 1,504
Nickname: Badgers
School Colors: Purple, white
Home Facility: Arthur R. Outlaw Recreation Center
Capacity: 1,600
Affiliation: NAIA Division I
Conference: Southern States Athletic
Division: West
President: Rev. Richard P. Salmi, S.J.
Athletic Director: Jim Hall
Alma Mater: Grinnell College, 1995
Faculty Athletic Representative: Dr. David Dean
Athletic Department Phone: 251-380-3485
Athletic Department Fax: 251-460-2196
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Alma Mater: Mississippi State, 1990
SID Phone: (251) 380-4468
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Athletic Web Site: www.shcbadgers.com
Facebook: SHCAthletics
Twitter: SHDBADGERS

COACHING STAFF:

Head Coach: Robert Thompson
Alma Mater: Belhaven, 1992
Record at school/ years: 116-100/8th season
Career record/ years: 159-162/12th season
Assistant Coaches: Reed Davis, Reggie Copeland, Jr.
Student Assistant: John Redman
Statistician: Carlos Serrano
Office Phone: (251) 380-4460
Athletic Trainer: Jake Jefcoat, ATC
Office Phone: 251-380-3493

TEAM INFORMATION:

Overall Record Last Year: 15-14
Conference/Finish: 8-10/ 7th
Starters returning/lost: 2/3

SPRING HILL COLLEGE

Mobile, Alabama

Spring Hill College is ranked once again in the top 20 Southern universities and colleges, according to the 2011 edition of U.S. News & World Report's "America's Best Colleges."

Spring Hill is ranked 17th among the Southern colleges and universities granting master's degrees. The U.S. News rankings are based on several quality measures including academic reputation, graduation and retention rates, faculty resources, student selectivity, peer assessment and graduation rate performance. Colleges and universities are listed in various categories depending on their size, location and other factors.

The college is ranked 11th among only 15 schools listed in the South's "Great Schools, Great Prices" category, colleges that offer quality academic programs, affordable tuition and significant financial aid.

Spring Hill College is also listed in the region's "A-Plus Schools for B Students" category, campuses where B students thrive in an engaged student body.

ON THE COVER:

Senior Class of 2011

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Seth Laubinger



HEAD COACH



ROBERT THOMPSON
Robert Thompson begins his eighth season as the head men's basketball coach for Spring Hill. He has guided the Badgers to an overall record of 116-100. A native of Tupelo, Miss., Thompson came to Spring Hill after four years as head coach at Arkansas Tech University in Russellville where he posted

a 43-62 record. Prior to his career as a head coach, he served as an assistant at Delta State University and Belhaven College. Thompson earned his B.S. in physical education from Belhaven College in 1993 where he was a four-year basketball letterman. He received his M.S. in education from Jackson State University in 1997. He and his wife, Alfreda, have two sons, Joshua Cordell and Justin Lydell.

ASSISTANT COACH



REED DAVIS
Reed Davis joins the Badgers for his first year as an assistant after coaching last season at Altamont High School in Birmingham, Alabama.

Davis played four years of college ball for the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) under Head Coach Mike Anderson.

During his time at UAB, the Blazers made three appearances in the NCAA National Men's Basketball Tournament that included a defeat of the University of Kentucky to advance to "Sweet 16" in 2004.

A native of Birmingham, Davis graduated from UAB with a Bachelor's degree in psychology and plans a career coaching college basketball.

PREVIEW 2010

The 2010-11 Men's Basketball season is a new chapter for the Spring Hill College Badgers and Head Coach Robert Thompson. SHC has moved into the newly expanded Southern States Athletic Conference (SSAC) and this year's roster features 11 new names.

"We're definitely excited about the move to the new conference," says Thompson. "It's a new level of competition with teams that will challenge us every night."

Thompson is also happy with the intensity level that his squad has shown in the preseason. "Our guys have come in with a professional attitude this year," he says. They have worked hard and have shown a lot of excitement. With so many new players, we have to wait and see how they will respond to adversity and to travel, but we have the ingredients to be a really good team."

The list of Thompson's ingredients begins with 6'8" senior center Nick Brown of Rota, Spain, who begins his fourth year in the middle of the Badger offense. "Nick has worked hard and transformed his body over the summer," says Thompson. "He arrived in the best shape of his career and that shows his level of dedication to helping his team."

Backing up Brown is fellow senior Sylvester Twiggs from Bay St. Louis, Miss. Sly's physical style of play has cost him several injuries in his career, but not dampened his intensity level. Freshman Blake Taylor of Jackson, Ala., will also see significant minutes in reserve this season.

The biggest question facing Thompson going into the new season is who will replace two-time honorable mention NAIA All-America selection Marcus Coleman at shooting guard? "That's the million-dollar question," Thompson says. "We have a few players who are fighting to carry the torch and right now it looks like junior Kyle Watkins from Montgomery, Ala., is stepping into that slot. He still needs to learn more about what we do and how we do it, but he's catching on quickly." Another strong candidate for the position is freshman Brandon Blake of Oxford, Miss., who particularly impressed his coach at the annual Purple-White preseason scrimmage.

At point guard, junior Tyler Schwab will return to distributing the ball on offense after a solid sophomore season. "Tyler has a big heart," says Thompson. "With him at the point guard position, we can either run the ball up and down or we can fall into a half court offense and let him make decisions." Thompson has confidence in his depth at the point guard spot as junior transfer Stephen Burches of Hammond, La., and Southeastern Louisiana University is challenging Schwab everyday in practice.

Junior guard Steve Edwards of Newton, Miss., has made his presence felt at practices as has freshmen Jonathan Barlow Ocean Springs, Miss., and Charles Gordon from Birmingham, Ala., and each of them will earn their stripes this year.

While confident in his players, Thompson is still cautious when speaking about the Spring Hill forward positions. "Right now, we're 'playing the piano' with our forwards. We have a lot of keys and they each sound good, but we have to play them in the right combinations." Senior Greg Gardner from Long Beach, Miss., and redshirt freshman Alex Looney from Mobile's Murphy High School appear to have laid claim to the positions. "Greg is a proven player and we need to get him more playing time. Alex puts in a lot of effort and brings energy, but he needs to gain experience."

Junior Rico Dread of Jackson, Ala., will also fight for a starting role. "Rico has so much energy and he brings so much athleticism that it's hard not to have him on the court," says Thompson.

"We have so many new players to work into our system this year that it might take us awhile to work out the chemistry," Thompson says. "But the guys have worked very hard and have shown a great attitude so far. Once we smooth out some rough edges, this team has the potential to become very good."



VOLUNTEER COACH
REGGIE COPELAND, JR.



STUDENT ASSISTANT
JOHN REDMAN



STATISTICS
CARLOS SERRANO



00
Tristan Garmon
F
Freshman • 6'7"



1
Rico Dread
G
Junior • 6'3"



3
Kyle Watkins
G
Junior • 6'3"



4
Brandon Blake
G
Freshman • 6'2"



5
Steve Edwards
G
Junior • 6'0"



11
Jonathan Barlow
G
Freshman • 5'9"

2009 STANDINGS

School	GCAC		Overall	
LSUS	14-4	.778	28-6	.824
William Carey	12-6	.667	23-8	.742
Tougaloo	12-6	.667	22-9	.710
Belhaven	12-6	.667	24-10	.706
Mobile	10-8	.556	17-11	.607
Xavier	9-9	.500	18-13	.581
Spring Hill	8-10	.444	15-14	.517
SUNO	7-11	.389	13-15	.464
Loyola	5-13	.278	13-17	.433
Dillard	1-17	.056	4-23	.148



22
Charles Gordon
G
Freshman • 6'5"



23
John Deloach
C
Freshman • 6'8"

2009 RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	RESULT
Nov. 7	Southeastern Bible College	Outlaw Rec. Center	W; 88-69
Nov. 16	Auburn-Montgomery	Outlaw Rec. Center	W; 82-70
Nov. 19	%at University of South Alabama	Mitchell Center	L; 53-82
Nov. 20	Talladega College	Outlaw Rec. Center	W; 81-77
Nov. 23	at Auburn-Montgomery	Montgomery, Ala.	L; 46-71
Nov. 28	%at Southern Mississippi	Hattiesburg, Miss.	L; 57-90
Dec. 1	%at Southeastern Louisiana	Hammond, La.	L; 57-83
Dec. 4	Concordia College-Selma	Outlaw Rec. Center	W; 83-57
Dec. 12	%at Samford University	Birmingham, Ala.	L; 48-58
Dec. 16	University of St. Thomas (Texas)	Outlaw Rec. Center	W; 73-56
Dec. 18	Faulkner University	Outlaw Rec. Center	L; 78-83
Dec. 30	%at Jackson State University	Jackson, Miss.	L; 70-88
Jan. 4	at Concordia College-Selma	Selma, Ala.	W; 85-78
Jan. 7	*William Carey University	Outlaw Rec. Center	L; 75-77
Jan. 9	*Southern Univ. at New Orleans	Outlaw Rec. Center	W; 68-66
Jan. 11	at Faulkner University	Montgomery, Ala.	L; 68-71
Jan. 14	*at Xavier University (La.)	New Orleans, La.	W; 61-58
Jan. 16	*at Dillard University	New Orleans, La.	W; 89-79
Jan. 21	*LSU-Shreveport	Outlaw Rec. Center	L; 80-82 (ot)
Jan. 23	*Tougaloo College	Outlaw Rec. Center	W; 88-80
Jan. 25	*at Belhaven University	Jackson, Miss.	L; 63-77
Jan. 28	*at Loyola University (La.)	New Orleans, La.	L; 68-71
Jan. 30	*at University of Mobile	Univ. of Mobile	L; 58-75
Feb. 4	*Xavier University (La.)	Outlaw Rec. Center	L; 62-71
Feb. 6	*at William Carey University	Hattiesburg, Miss.	L; 48-69
Feb. 8	*at Southern Univ. at New Orleans	New Orleans, La.	L; 54-62
Feb. 11	*at Tougaloo College	Tougaloo, Miss.	L; 61-79
Feb. 13	*Dillard University	Outlaw Rec. Center	W; 80-72
Feb. 18	*Belhaven University	Outlaw Rec. Center	W; 76-71
Feb. 20	*at LSU-Shreveport	Shreveport, La.	L; 65-79
Feb. 25	*Loyola University (La.)	Outlaw Rec. Center	W; 69-65
Feb. 27	*University of Mobile	Outlaw Rec. Center	W; 76-74
Mar. 2	\$Dillard University	Outlaw Rec. Center	W; 70-65
Mar. 4	\$at Tougaloo College	Tougaloo, Miss.	L; 55-75

% - Exhibition * - GCAC games \$ - GCAC Tournament



12
Stephen Burches
G
Junior • 6'1"



14
Tyler Schwab
G
Junior • 5'9"



15
Frederick Gatson
G/F
Freshman • 6'6"



25
Nick Grant
G
Freshman • 6'5"



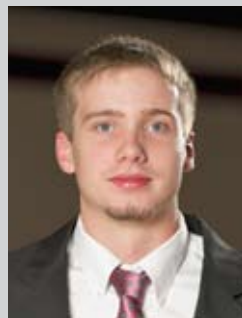
32
Alex Looney
F
Freshman • 6'6"



33
Sylvester Twiggs
C
Senior • 6'6"



34
Nick Brown
C
Senior • 6'8"



41
Greg Gardner
F
Senior • 6'7"



55
Blake Taylor
C
Freshman • 6'8"

2010 ROSTER

NO.	PLAYER	POS.	CLASS	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN
00	TRISTAN GARMON	F	FR.	6'7"	205	JACKSONVILLE, ALA./JACKSONVILLE HIGH
1	RICO DREAD	G	JR.	6'3"	185	JACKSON, ALA./JACKSON HIGH
3	KYLE WATKINS	G	JR.	6'3"	185	MONTGOMERY, ALA./ST. JUDE INSTITUTE/MARION MILITARY
4	BRANDON BLAKE	G	FR.	6'2"	175	OXFORD, MISS./OXFORD HIGH
5	STEVE EDWARDS	G	JR.	6'0"	180	NEWTON, MISS./NEWTON HIGH/EAST CENTRAL CC
11	JONATHAN BARLOW	G	FR.	5'9"	160	OCEAN SPRINGS, MISS./ST. MARTIN HIGH
12	STEPHEN BURCHES	G	JR.	6'1"	185	HAMMOND, LA./ST. THOMAS AQUINAS HIGH/SE LA. UNIV.
14	TYLER SCHWAB	G	JR.	5'9"	165	PANAMA CITY, FLA./ARNOLD HIGH/CHIPOLA COLLEGE
15	FREDERICK GATSON	G/F	FR.	6'6"	200	RIVERDALE, GA./OUR LADY OF MERCY CATHOLIC HIGH
22	CHARLES GORDON	G	FR.	6'5"	185	BIRMINGHAM, ALA./VESTAVIA HILLS HIGH
23	JOHN DELOACH	C	FR.	6'8"	230	DESTIN, FLA./NICEVILLE HIGH
25	NICK GRANT	G	FR.	6'5"	195	ATLANTA, GA./ST. FRANCIS HIGH
32	ALEX LOONEY	F	FR.	6'6"	200	MOBILE, ALA./MURPHY HIGH
33	SYLVESTER TWIGGS	C	SR.	6'6"	245	BAY ST. LOUIS, MISS./HOUSTON ACADEMY (ALA.)
34	NICK BROWN	C	SR.	6'8"	235	ROTA, SPAIN/CHOCTAW HIGH (FLA.)
41	GREG GARDNER	F	SR.	6'7"	200	LONG BEACH, MISS./LONG BEACH HIGH
55	BLAKE TAYLOR	C	FR.	6'8"	225	JACKSON, ALA./JACKSON HIGH

2009-10 FINAL STATS



Record	Overall	Home	Away
All Games	(15-14)	(12-4)	(3-10)
Conference	(8-10)	(6-3)	(2-7)
Non-Conference	(7-4)	(6-1)	(1-3)

#	Player	GP	GS	MIN	AVG	TOTAL			3-PT			FT	FTA	PCT	REBOUNDS			PF	A	TO	BLK	ST	PTS	P/G							
						FG	FGA	PCT	FG	FGA	PCT				OFF	DEF	TOT								R/G						
10	Tyler Schwab	29	13	678	23.4	32	105	.305	17	61	.279	37	49	.755	3	38	41	1.4	64	124	73	1	12	118	4.1						
11	Patrick Grant	29	22	722	24.9	52	130	.400	28	80	.350	12	19	.632	16	43	59	2.0	62	86	46	0	35	144	5.0						
13	Antonio Burch	18	15	544	30.2	68	160	.425	21	54	.389	82	110	.745	14	56	70	3.9	36	66	48	2	43	239	13.3						
22	Chris Dees, Jr.	25	9	536	21.4	76	186	.409	3	12	.250	27	43	.628	23	86	109	4.4	65	31	38	6	7	182	7.3						
23	Marcus Coleman	29	29	1026	35.4	168	420	.400	122	321	.380	31	44	.705	10	91	101	3.5	35	122	63	1	43	489	16.9						
31	Stefano Bajos	14	1	40	2.8	2	15	.133	1	4	.250	5	7	.714	3	5	8	0.6	10	1	4	0	1	10	0.7						
32	Jacolby Griffin	12	0	107	8.9	21	37	.568	4	9	.444	7	12	.583	3	11	14	1.2	10	7	10	1	10	53	4.4						
33	Owen McNally	27	23	656	24.3	103	217	.475	6	26	.231	73	94	.777	56	108	164	6.1	75	27	57	40	16	285	10.6						
34	Nick Brown	29	29	636	21.9	148	260	.569	0	0	.000	73	145	.503	74	153	227	7.8	105	13	65	27	13	369	12.7						
40	Rico Dread	18	0	146	8.1	10	22	.455	0	0	.000	7	11	.636	7	24	31	1.7	14	6	10	4	5	27	1.5						
44	Greg Gardner	25	0	229	9.1	32	55	.582	0	1	.000	7	17	.412	15	25	40	1.6	28	4	19	4	7	71	2.8						
45	Hilton Grant	11	0	54	5.0	2	3	.667	0	0	.000	10	13	.769	0	7	7	0.6	10	6	6	0	2	14	1.3						
50	Felix Lutter	1	0	1	1.3	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0						
55	Sylvester Twiggs	23	4	235	10.2	19	42	.452	0	0	.000	11	18	.611	16	26	42	1.8	22	10	13	3	1	49	2.1						
TEAM															43	94	137				16										
Spring Hill College		29	5612			733	1652	.444	202	568	.356	382	582	.656	283	768	1051	36.2	537	503	468	88	195	2050	70.7						
Opponents		29	5625			742	1832	.405	163	508	.321	432	643	.672	409	707	1116	38.5	533	341	415	82	218	2079	71.7						



2010 SPRING HILL COLLEGE MEN'S BASKETBALL



2010 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
NOV. 5	VOORHEES COLLEGE	OUTLAW REC. CENTER	7:30 P.M.
NOV. 8	AT DILLARD UNIVERSITY	NEW ORLEANS, LA.	7:30 P.M.
NOV. 12	%AT UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA	MITCHELL CENTER	7 P.M.
NOV. 19	AT SHORTER UNIVERSITY	ROME, GA.	7 P.M.
NOV. 20	AT LEE UNIVERSITY	CLEVELAND, TENN.	3 P.M.
NOV. 27	%AT UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI	HATTIESBURG, MISS.	7 P.M.
NOV. 29	DILLARD UNIVERSITY	OUTLAW REC. CENTER	7:30 P.M.
DEC. 4	BREWTON-PARKER COLLEGE	OUTLAW REC. CENTER	4 P.M.
DEC. 11	CONCORDIA COLLEGE-SELMA	OUTLAW REC. CENTER	7:30 P.M.
DEC. 14	%AT JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY	JACKSON, MISS.	7 P.M.
DEC. 16	AT SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY AT NEW ORLEANS	NEW ORLEANS, LA.	7 P.M.
DEC. 21	%AT SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA UNIVERSITY	HAMMOND, LA.	5:45 P.M.
JAN. 5	AT CONCORDIA COLLEGE-SELMA	SELMA, ALA.	7 P.M.
JAN. 8	TOUGALOO COLLEGE	OUTLAW REC. CENTER	7 P.M.
JAN. 10	SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY AT NEW ORLEANS	OUTLAW REC. CENTER	7:30 P.M.
JAN. 13	*LOYOLA UNIVERSITY (LA.)	OUTLAW REC. CENTER	7:30 P.M.
JAN. 15	*AUBURN-MONTGOMERY	OUTLAW REC. CENTER	4 P.M.
JAN. 17	AT XAVIER UNIVERSITY (LA.)	NEW ORLEANS, LA.	7 P.M.
JAN. 22	*AT FAULKNER UNIVERSITY	MONTGOMERY, ALA.	4 P.M.
JAN. 27	*AT UNIVERSITY OF MOBILE	UNIV. OF MOBILE	7:30 P.M.
JAN. 29	*BELHAVEN UNIVERSITY	OUTLAW REC. CENTER	4 P.M.
FEB. 3	*AT WILLIAM CAREY UNIVERSITY	HATTIESBURG, MISS.	7:30 P.M.
FEB. 5	*AT LOYOLA UNIVERSITY (LA.)	NEW ORLEANS, LA.	5 P.M.
FEB. 7	XAVIER UNIVERSITY (LA.)	OUTLAW REC. CENTER	7 P.M.
FEB. 10	*AT AUBURN-MONTGOMERY	MONTGOMERY, ALA.	7:30 P.M.
FEB. 12	CLEARWATER CHRISTIAN COLLEGE	OUTLAW REC. CENTER	3 P.M.
FEB. 14	AT TOUGALOO COLLEGE	TOUGALOO, MISS.	7 P.M.
FEB. 17	*FAULKNER UNIVERSITY	OUTLAW REC. CENTER	7:30 P.M.
FEB. 19	*UNIVERSITY OF MOBILE	OUTLAW REC. CENTER	7 P.M.
FEB. 24	*AT BELHAVEN UNIVERSITY	JACKSON, MISS.	7:30 P.M.
FEB. 26	*WILLIAM CAREY UNIVERSITY	OUTLAW REC. CENTER	4 P.M.
MAR. 1-4	AT SSAC TOURNAMENT	ROME, GA.	TBA
MAR. 16-22	AT NAIA NATIONAL TOURNAMENT	KANSAS CITY, MO.	TBA

% - EXHIBITION

*- SSAC WEST GAMES