



2012-2013



BASKETBALL



GENERAL FACTS:

Institution: Spring Hill College
 City/State/Zip: Mobile, AL 36608
 Founded: 1830
 Enrollment: 1,400
 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
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 Athletic Web Site: www.shcbadgers.com
 Facebook: SHCAthletics
 Twitter: SHCBADGERS

COACHING STAFF:

Head Coach: Robert Thompson
 Alma Mater: Belhaven, 1992
 Record at school/ years: 138-131/10th season
 Career record/ years: 181-193/14th season
 Assistant Coaches: John Teasley, Brian Murphy, Reggie Copeland, Jr.
 Student Assistant: John Redman
 Office Phone: (251) 380-4460
 Athletic Trainer: Brian Gronewold, ATC
 Office Phone: 251-380-3493

TEAM INFORMATION:

Overall Record Last Year: 13-13
 Conference/Finish: 7-11/6th
 Starters returning/lost: 4/2

SPRING HILL COLLEGE

Mobile, Alabama

Spring Hill College is ranked once again among the top 20 Southern universities and colleges, according to the 2013 edition of U.S. News & World Report's "America's Best Colleges."

Spring Hill is ranked 17th among the Southern colleges and universities offering a full range of undergraduate majors and master's programs. 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.

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.

Spring Hill College is the first Catholic college in the Southeast, the third oldest Jesuit college and the fifth oldest Catholic college in the United States.

For more information on Spring Hill College, visit www.shc.edu. College ranking information is available at www.usnews.com.

ON THE COVER:

2012-13 seniors: No. 1 Ricky Sears; No. 25 Brett Williams

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HEAD COACH



ROBERT THOMPSON

Entering his 10th season as the head coach for Spring Hill College, Robert Thompson has guided the Badgers to an overall record of 140-132. Thompson led the Badgers to the "Sweet Sixteen" of the NAIA National Tournament in 2005-06 and finished the season with a 22-9 overall record, 11-3 in the GCAC. Following the season, he was named the GCAC Coach of the Year. A native of Tupelo, Miss., Thompson

came to Spring Hill following a four-year stint as head coach at Arkansas Tech University in Russellville, Ark., where he attained a 43-62 overall record. He took over at Arkansas Tech in 1999 and led the Wonder Boys to their first Gulf South Conference (GSC) Tournament appearance and a No. 8 ranking in the South Region of NCAA Division II during the 1999-2000 season.

Following his first season at Arkansas Tech, Thompson was named GSC Coach of the Year. Prior to his success at Arkansas Tech, Thompson served as Delta State University's assistant men's coach from 1996 to 1999 and helped lead the Statesmen to the GSC West Division title in 1996-'97 and 1997-'98, GSC Tournament Championships in 1996-'97 and 1997-'98, the NCAA Division II South Regional Championship in 1997-'98 and the NCAA Division II Elite Eight in 1997-'98. Thompson earned his B.S. in Physical Education from Belhaven College in 1993 where he was a 4-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 JOHN TEASLEY

A native of Mobile, Teasley returns to the Port City from Tuscaloosa with his wife Amanda Beams Teasley to whom he has been married since 2007. Teasley begins his first season at SHC with 17 years of experience in basketball in various coaching positions throughout the state of Alabama. Most recently the Athletic Director and Head Coach of North River Christian Academy boys basketball in Tuscaloosa, Teasley

has seven years of experience as a head coach at the high school level. Teasley graduated with a B.S. in Sports and Health Sciences with a concentration in Coaching from American Public University.



ASSISTANT COACH BRIAN MURPHY

Born in Mobile, Brian Murphy grew up in Pelham and graduated from John Carroll Catholic High School in Birmingham in 2005. He played at Christian Brothers University in Memphis, Tenn., as a freshman and transferred to Shelton State Community College in Tuscaloosa as sophomore. Brian graduated with B.B.A. in Management in 2010 from the University of West

Alabama in Livingston.

PREVIEW 2012-2013

Spring Hill College men's basketball head coach Robert Thompson is noticeably excited to begin the 2012-2013 season. "We return five key players from last season and all of them were major contributors last year," he says. "This year, we have one of the most experienced teams we've had in a while and this group has made significant improvements over the off-season."

The five returning veterans for the Badgers are led by senior guard Ricky Sears of Decatur, Ala. "Ricky is the type of person that people just naturally gravitate toward," says Thompson. "He has truly accepted the challenge of being our team leader this year."

Thompson also sees renewed confidence in transfer junior guard Todd Martin from Mobile's St. Paul's Episcopal School. "Todd had to make the transition from the system at the University of South Alabama to our system last year and he has finally become comfortable in it," Thompson says. "Now that he has settled in this will be a big year for him." Sophomore forward Frederick "Nigel" Gatson of Riverdale, Ga., has returned for the new season in great physical shape according to Thompson. "Nigel is rebounding strong and becoming a serious presence under the basket," he says.

Junior forward Alex Looney from Murphy High School in Mobile returns after off-season shoulder surgery. "Alex does the little things right that make a team better," Thompson says. "The fans might not be impressed with his statistics, but he does the things that make a coach happy." The final veteran returner is senior forward Brett Williams of Oviedo, Fla., who Thompson sees as an important piece to this year's puzzle. "Brett understands that he needs to do whatever we need him to do and he is committed to this role and doing it well," Thompson says.

Joining the five veteran players will be redshirt freshman point guard Ben Redman of Spanish Fort, Ala., who is a talented and intelligent young player.

The Badger newcomers are highlighted by junior forward Andre Gowins of Gautier, Miss. "Andre makes a physical difference for our team this year," says Thompson. Not only is he a strong player, but he runs the floor well. We're fortunate to have him because our style of inside-out basketball fits his style and he should be a consistent double-digit scorer for us." Joining Gowins is junior guard Robert Gipson of W.P. Davidson High School in Mobile. "Robert has a high basketball I.Q.," says Thompson. "He can also hit his shot from outside and we'll need that 3-point threat to open the inside."

Junior guard Ty McCants of Pensacola, Fla., has impressed Thompson with his on-court demeanor and his quickness. Thompson is also struck by sophomore guard Robert Drummond's strong physical game. Drummond is a transfer from Rhodes College in Memphis, Tenn.

Adding to size and strength of the Badgers' inside game is 6'10" freshman center Dejan Stefanovic from Paracin, Serbia. "Dejan is a very good player with a strong knowledge of the game," says Thompson. "He is a consistent player and has a huge future with our program." Freshman Sam Hutcheson of Hoover, Ala., is also a big inside player who joins the Spring Hill squad with a bright future. "Sam is a very smart player," says Thompson. "He is a lot like Alex Looney in that he does the intangibles of the game right. You might not notice his contributions from the stands, but on the bench we see what a difference he can make."

Freshmen Quinton Campbell of Wilmer, Ala., and Joseph Ferro of Ocala, Fla., will be important to the future of SHC basketball. "Campbell is an athletic and versatile player who is very smart with the ball," says Thompson. "Ferro is just a relentless player who will impress fans with his hustle." Sophomore Desmond Phillips of Decatur, Ala., has also earned a space on the roster this season and will add depth to the team.

When speaking about 2012-2013 season, Thompson says that the Southern States Athletic Conference will be a tougher test than ever this year. "The SSAC is a scary league," he says. "Everybody has gotten better and the question will be which team has improved the most. I think our advantage is our experience. We have a very smart team with great team chemistry. It's our job as a coaching staff to put the ingredients together in the right way and give the players the chance to win."

"This year we are telling our team to focus on the ABCs - academics, basketball and character," Thompson says. "If we can take care of those three things, this season will be a successful one."

2011-12 SSAC EAST STANDINGS

SCHOOL	SSAC PCT.	OVERALL
Shorter	17-1	.944
Southern Poly	15-3	.833
Lee	13-5	.722
Emmanuel	10-8	.556
Brewton-Parker	6-12	.333
Truett-McConnell	5-13	.278
So. Wesleyan	4-14	.222



 00 Ty McCants G Junior • 6'0	 1 Ricky Sears G Senior • 6'0	 3 Desmond Phillips G Sophomore • 6'2	 4 Todd Martin G Junior • 6'0	 5 Quinton Campbell G/F Freshman • 6'6	 11 Robert Drummond G Sophomore • 6'4
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2011-12 SSAC WEST STANDINGS

SCHOOL	SSAC PCT.	OVERALL
Loyola	11-7	.611
Faulkner	9-9	.500
Belhaven	9-9	.500
Mobile	9-9	.500
Wm. Carey	9-9	.500
Spring Hill	7-11	.389
AUM	2-16	.111



 12 Ben Redman G R-Freshman • 6'2	 15 Frederick Gatson G/F Sophomore • 6'6	 22 Charles Gordon G Junior • 6'5	 23 Robert Gipson G Junior • 6'1	 25 Brett Williams G Senior • 6'4	 32 Alex Looney F Junior • 6'6
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 33 Andre Gowins C/F Junior • 6'8	 34 Sam Hutcheson C/F Freshman • 6'6	 41 Joseph Ferro G Freshman • 6'3	 55 Dejan Stefanovic F/C Freshman • 6'10	 John Redman Student Assistant Coach	 Kevin Smith Student Manager
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DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	RESULT
Nov. 2**	at University of South Alabama	USA Mitchell Center	L; 64-88
Nov. 4**	Selma University	Home	W; 80-66
Nov. 7	at Tougaloo College	Tougaloo, Miss.	L; 55-76
Nov. 10	Southern University at New Orleans	Home	W; 84-82
Nov. 12**	at University of Southern Mississippi	Hattiesburg, Miss.	L; 41-76
Nov. 15**	at Southeastern Louisiana University	Hammond, La.	L; 44-71
Nov. 18	*at Truett-McConnell College	Cleveland, Ga.	L; 84-87 (ot)
Nov. 19	*at Southern Wesleyan University	Central, S.C.	W; 73-62
Nov. 22	at Concordia College-Selma	Selma, Ala.	W; 70-57
Nov. 29	at Dillard University	New Orleans, La.	W; 62-49
Dec. 2	*Emmanuel College	Home	W; 71-64
Dec. 3	*Lee University	Home	W; 77-62 (ot)
Dec. 9	Carver Bible College	Home	L; 78-80
Dec. 10	Concordia College-Selma	Home	W; 93-66
Dec. 17**	at Samford University	Birmingham, Ala.	L; 64-90
Dec. 19	at Southern University at New Orleans	New Orleans, La.	W; 78-73
Dec. 29**	at Louisiana Tech	Ruston, La.	L; 41-69
Jan. 6	*at Southern Polytechnic State [5]	Marietta, Ga.	L; 71-78
Jan. 7	*at Brewton-Parker College	Mt. Vernon, Ga.	L; 68-69
Jan. 12	*at Loyola University (La.)	New Orleans, La.	L; 65-67
Jan. 14	*at Auburn-Montgomery	Montgomery, Ala.	W; 82-60
Jan. 21	*Faulkner University	Home	W; 74-62
Jan. 26	*University of Mobile	Home	L; 73-79
Jan. 28	*at Belhaven University	Jackson, Miss.	L; 62-79
Feb. 2	*William Carey University	Home	L; 58-75
Feb. 4	*Loyola University (La.)	Home	L; 81-85
Feb. 9	*Auburn-Montgomery	Home	W; 73-58
Feb. 13	Dillard University	Home	W; 72-58
Feb. 16	*at Faulkner University	Montgomery, Ala.	L; 57-62
Feb. 18	*at University of Mobile	Pharr Gymnasium	L; 75-83
Feb. 23	*Belhaven University	Home	W; 68-59
Feb. 25	*at William Carey University	Hattiesburg, Miss.	L; 55-66

** - Exhibition * - SSAC West games

2012-2013 ROSTER

NO.	PLAYER	POS.	CLASS	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN
00	TY MCCANTS	G	JR.	6'0	160	PENSACOLA, FLA./PINE FOREST HIGH/FAULKNER ST. CC
1	RICKY SEARS	G	SR.	6'0	180	DECATUR, ALA./AUSTIN HIGH/WALLACE ST. CC/BEVILL ST. CC
3	DESMOND PHILLIPS		SO.	6'2	175	DECATUR, ALA./AUSTIN HIGH/LINDENWOOD-BELLEVILLE
4	TODD MARTIN	G	JR.	6'1	185	MOBILE, ALA./ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL/SO. ALABAMA
5	QUINTON CAMPBELL	G/F	FR.	6'6	170	WILMER, ALA./MARY G. MONTGOMERY HIGH
11	ROBERT DRUMMOND	G	SO.	6'4	195	FAIRHOPE, ALA./FAIRHOPE HIGH/RHODES COLLEGE
12	BEN REDMAN	G	R-FR.	6'2	180	SPANISH FORT, ALA./SPANISH FORT HIGH
15	FREDERICK GATSON	G/F	SO.	6'6	200	RIVERDALE, GA./OUR LADY OF MERCY CATHOLIC HIGH
22	CHARLES GORDON	F	JR.	6'4	190	BIRMINGHAM, ALA./VESTAVIA HILLS HIGH
23	ROBERT GIPSON	G	JR.	6'1	215	MOBILE, ALA./W.P. DAVIDSON HIGH/FAULKNER ST. CC
25	BRETT WILLIAMS	G	SR.	6'4	200	OVIEDO, FLA./HAGERTY HIGH/FLA. GULF COAST
32	ALEX LOONEY	F	JR.	6'7	200	MOBILE, ALA./MURPHY HIGH
33	ANDRE GOWINS	C/F	JR.	6'8	245	GAUTIER, MISS./GAUTIER HIGH
34	SAM HUTCHESON	C/F	FR.	6'6	210	HOOVER, ALA./HOOVER HIGH
41	JOSEPH FERRO	G	FR.	6'3	210	OCALA, FLA./TRINITY CATHOLIC HIGH
55	DEJAN STEFANOVIC	F/C	FR.	6'10	240	PARACIN, SERBIA/BLAINE (WASH.) HIGH

2011-2012 FINAL STATS



Record	Overall	Home	Away
All Games	(13-13)	(8-4)	(5-9)
Conference	(7-11)	(5-3)	(2-8)
Non-Conference	(6-2)	(3-1)	(3-1)

2012-2013 SPRING HILL COLLEGE MEN'S BASKETBALL



2012-2013 SCHEDULE

#	Player	GP	GS	MIN	TOTAL			3-PT			REBOUNDS			PF	A	TOBLK	ST	PTS	P/G									
					FG	FGA	PCT	FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT							OFF	DEF	TOT	R/G					
1	Ricky Sears	7	1	151	21.6	23	56	.41	10	27	.370	10	16	.625	6	20	26	3.7	13	6	22	0	11	66	9.4			
4	Todd Martin	25	19	642	25.7	69	168	.411	53	119	.445	52	57	.912	4	29	33	1.3	37	46	54	0	14	243	9.7			
5	Steve Edwards	17	2	138	8.1	9	40	.225	5	24	.208	5	8	.625	3	13	16	0.9	20	9	5	2	3	28	1.6			
00	Halen Butler	20	0	142	7.1	11	35	.314	9	26	.346	2	2	1.00	3	8	11	0.6	19	6	6	0	3	33	1.6			
11	Neal Apetrei	4	0	10	2.5	3	8	.375	2	5	.400	0	4	.000	3	0	3	0.8	2	1	1	0	1	8	2.0			
12	Stephen Burches	26	25	662	25.5	64	150	.427	2	26	.077	52	75	.693	13	73	86	3.3	83	141	70	0	46	182	7.0			
14	Tyler Schwab	26	6	469	18.0	27	69	.391	22	55	.400	33	41	.805	2	42	44	1.7	63	84	42	0	13	109	4.2			
15	Frederick Gatson	26	13	509	19.6	75	135	.556	0	4	.000	30	48	.625	20	60	80	3.1	70	19	31	12	9	180	6.9			
22	Charles Gordon	26	7	344	13.2	38	67	.567	0	1	.000	9	21	.429	16	32	48	1.8	40	16	26	7	9	85	3.3			
23	Nick Grant	1	0	3	3.5	1	1	1.00	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	1	0	0	2	2.0			
25	Brett Williams	26	16	558	21.5	65	180	.361	18	63	.286	63	76	.829	12	54	66	2.5	40	35	44	3	15	211	8.1			
32	Alex Looney	26	13	586	22.5	72	146	.493	11	23	.478	53	80	.662	38	84	122	4.7	53	25	39	4	12	208	8.0			
33	John Deloach	6	0	14	2.4	0	3	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	1	4	5	0.8	4	0	3	1	0	0	0.0			
34	Jaylyn Woods	4	0	10	2.6	1	5	.200	1	4	.250	2	2	1.00	1	2	3	0.8	3	3	1	0	0	5	1.3			
41	Jake Thelen	26	25	718	27.6	196	309	.634	0	3	.000	90	135	.667	70	125	195	7.5	41	25	52	9	14	482	18.5			
55	Blake Taylor	16	0	93	5.8	6	11	.545	0	0	.000	5	8	.625	4	9	13	0.8	27	4	9	5	1	17	1.1			
TEAM												30	84	114				15										
Spring Hill College		26	5050		660	1384	.477	133	381	.349	406	573	.709	226	639	865	33.3	515	420	421	43	152	1859	71.5				
Opponents		26	5016		616	1463	.421	137	486	.282	431	638	.676	300	569	869	33.4	493	327	384	76	203	1800	69.2				

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
NOV. 2	FISK UNIVERSITY	HOME	7:30 P.M.
NOV. 3	SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY-NEW ORLEANS	HOME	4 P.M.
NOV. 5	~ AT UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA	USA MITCHELL CENTER	7:05 P.M.
2012 BIG EASY CLASSIC HOSTED BY XAVIER UNIVERSITY (NOVEMBER 9-10, 2012)			
NOV. 9	VS. TUSKEGEE UNIVERSITY	NEW ORLEANS, LA.	4 P.M.
NOV. 10	VS. JARVIS CHRISTIAN COLLEGE	NEW ORLEANS, LA.	2 P.M.
NOV. 12	LIFE UNIVERSITY	HOME	7 P.M.
NOV. 16	*TRUETT-MCCONNELL UNIVERSITY	HOME	7:30 P.M.
NOV. 17	*EMMANUEL COLLEGE	HOME	5 P.M.
NOV. 20	ST. THOMAS UNIVERSITY	HOME	7 P.M.
NOV. 30	*AT SOUTHERN POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY	MARIETTA, GA.	7:30 P.M.
DEC. 1	*AT LEE UNIVERSITY	CLEVELAND, TENN.	4 P.M.
DEC. 8	AT SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY-NEW ORLEANS	NEW ORLEANS, LA.	4 P.M.
SPRING HILL COLLEGE CLASSIC (DECEMBER 14-15, 2012)			
DEC. 14	XAVIER UNIVERSITY (LA.) VS. MARTIN METHODIST COLLEGE	OUTLAW REC CENTER	5 P.M.
	VS. VOORHEES COLLEGE	HOME	7 P.M.
DEC. 15	XAVIER UNIVERSITY (LA.) VS. VOORHEES COLLEGE	OUTLAW REC CENTER	3 P.M.
	VS. MARTIN METHODIST COLLEGE	HOME	5 P.M.
DEC. 17	DILLARD UNIVERSITY	HOME	7:30 P.M.
DEC. 19	TENNESSEE TEMPLE	HOME	7:30 P.M.
DEC. 28	~ AT SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY	BATON ROUGE, LA.	TBA
DEC. 29	~ AT SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA UNIVERSITY	HAMMOND, LA.	4 P.M.
JAN. 4	*SOUTHERN WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY	HOME	7:30 P.M.
JAN. 5	*COLLEGE OF COASTAL GEORGIA	HOME	5 P.M.
JAN. 10	*AT BELHAVEN UNIVERSITY	JACKSON, MISS.	7:30 P.M.
JAN. 12	*WILLIAM CAREY UNIVERSITY	HOME	4 P.M.
JAN. 17	*AUBURN UNIVERSITY MONTGOMERY	HOME	7:30 P.M.
JAN. 19	*AT LOYOLA UNIVERSITY (LA.)	NEW ORLEANS, LA.	4 P.M.
JAN. 26	*FAULKNER UNIVERSITY	HOME	4 P.M.
JAN. 31	*AT UNIVERSITY OF MOBILE	UNIV. OF MOBILE	7:30 P.M.
FEB. 2	*BELHAVEN UNIVERSITY	HOME	4 P.M.
FEB. 7	*AT WILLIAM CAREY UNIVERSITY	HATTIESBURG, MISS.	7:30 P.M.
FEB. 9	*LOYOLA UNIVERSITY (LA.)	HOME	4 P.M.
FEB. 14	*AT AUBURN UNIVERSITY MONTGOMERY	MONTGOMERY, ALA.	7:30 P.M.
FEB. 21	*AT FAULKNER UNIVERSITY	MONTGOMERY, ALA.	7:30 P.M.
FEB. 23	*UNIVERSITY OF MOBILE	HOME	7 P.M.



~ - EXHIBITION *- SSAC GAMES