Armstrong Atlantic State University

2001 Baseball

Nine NCAA Regionals In 13 Seasons:


National Scoring Champion 1990 & 1993

National Pitching Champion 1980 & 1992

#1 Ranking In Final Poll 1989 & 1990
## Armstrong Atlantic State Baseball’s “Era of Excellence”

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<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Record</th>
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<td>54-20</td>
<td>8th NAIA</td>
<td>District 2nd</td>
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<td>1985</td>
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<td>10th NCAA II</td>
<td>Region #4 Seed</td>
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<td>25th NCAA II</td>
<td>Conference #4</td>
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### Overall Record: 772-304 (.717)
### Average Season Record: 43-17


9 NCAA Tournament appearances in 13 seasons

5 Consecutive #1 Seedings in South Atlantic Regional: 1988-1992


35 All-Americans past 13 years

National Scoring Champion: 1990, 1993

National Pitching Champion: 1980, 1992

7 Consecutive Years Top 12 Final Poll: 1988-1994

109 Consecutive weeks in Top 15 of National Rankings

2 #1 Final Rankings: 1989, 1990

80 Graduates in past 15 years

19 Consecutive years with professional signings
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Since 1994, PBC teams’ finishes in World Series: 1st, 2nd, 1st, 4th, 2nd, 2nd, 3rd
AASU is the 2nd winningest NCAA Division II baseball team since 1983?

AASU was the 3rd winningest NCAA Division II team in the 1990’s?

AASU is one of 4 teams in the NCAA II Regionals at least 9 of the past 13 years?

AASU has been ranked nationally in the Top 25 in 10 of the last 13 final NCAA II polls?

AASU has had pro baseball signees 19 years in a row?

AASU has had 19 All-Americans and 16 Hon. Mention All-Americans in 13 years?

AASU has had 80 of its players graduate in 15 years?

AASU baseball players carried a cum. 2.99, 2.99 and 3.04 GPA in the past three years?

AASU baseball players currently carry a 3.20 GPA?

AASU has posted 40 win seasons 12 times since 1983?

AASU is one of 9 teams that have been to the DII World Series 3 times since 1988?

AASU is one of 3 teams that have had been No. 1 seeds 5 times since 1988?

AASU has a 772-304 (.717) record during the past 18 years, for a 43-17 average?

AASU is in Savannah, Georgia, a coastal beach town only 90 minutes north of Florida?

AASU’s Joe Roberts, at 49, became the NCAA’s youngest coach to win 850 games?

AASU has achieved a 43-18 (.705) mark as host of the Great Savannah Shootout featuring DI schools?

AASU has compiled a 162-98 record (.623) vs. NCAA I teams since 1983 with wins over quality teams such as Clemson, Georgia Tech, North Carolina, Kentucky, Vanderbilt, South Carolina, The Citadel, Jacksonville, Georgia Southern, Indiana, Duke, Maryland, West Virginia, Northwestern, Coastal Carolina, Louisville, Central Florida, Army, Mercer, Davidson, VMI, Winthrop, William and Mary, Charleston Southern, Illinois-Chicago, Georgia State, Bethune-Cookman, tied N.C. State and has played others such as Miami, Florida State, Georgia and Wake Forest?

AASU, in its last meetings, has posted impressive records against the following conferences: SEC (5-5), ACC (8-9-1), Sun Belt (2-0), Big Ten (2-2), Metro (1-0), Colonial (1-0), Atlantic 10 (3-1), TAAC (8-3), Ivy League (1-0), Big South (35-18), Southern (39-33), Mid-Eastern (52-8), Mid-Continent (4-0) and ECAC (10-1).

AASU was the PBC Regular Season champion in ’92 and ’93 with a combined 25-4 mark
### 2001 Baseball Schedule

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**Bold** denotes home game.

* - Peach Belt Conference game

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AASU’s baseball program picked up its 1,000th win at UNC Pembroke on March 13, 1999
2001 Travel Plans

March 24-25 at the University of North Florida
Charter bus departing for Jacksonville, Fla., is set for 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 24 with game time set at 1:00 p.m. for the doubleheader. Sunday is a 1:00 p.m. game with a 10:00 p.m. return.
Lodging: AmeriSuites, Jacksonville  (904) 737-4477

March 31-April 1 at Kennesaw State University
Charter bus departing for Kennesaw, Ga., is set for 7:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 31 with game time set for 3:00 p.m. Sunday is a Noon doubleheader with an 11:45 p.m. return.
Lodging: Rodeway Inn, Kennesaw  (770) 590-0519

April 10 at Valdosta State University
Charter bus departing for Valdosta, Ga., is set for 11:30 a.m. with game time set for 5:00 p.m. with an 11:45 p.m. return.

April 14-15 at the University of South Carolina at Spartanburg
Charter bus departing for Spartanburg, S.C., is set for 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 14 with a game time of 7:00 p.m. Sunday has a Noon doubleheader set with a return at 11:30 p.m.
Lodging: Ramada Inn, Spartanburg  (864) 576-5220

April 21-22 at Georgia College & State University
Charter bus departing for Milledgeville, Ga., is set for 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 21 with a 3:00 p.m. game time. Sunday has a 1:00 p.m. doubleheader set with an 11:00 p.m. return.
Lodging: Holiday Inn, Milledgeville  (912) 452-5302

April 28-29 at the University of North Carolina at Pembroke
Charter bus departing for Pembroke, N.C., is set for 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 28 with a 3:00 p.m. game time. Sunday has a Noon doubleheader scheduled with an 11:00 p.m. return.
Lodging: Days Inn, Lumberton  (910) 738-6401

The Pirates were the third winningest NCAA Division II team in the 1990s
O ne of the great traditions of amateur baseball in Savannah, the Great Savannah Shootout, is slated to return in 2002 following a three-year absence. The tournament, hosted by Armstrong Atlantic State University and the Savannah Sports Council, will feature AASU and three NCAA Division I opponents: the University of Connecticut, the University of North Carolina and the University of Georgia. All of the games will take place at Grayson Stadium, home of the Savannah Sand Gnats.

The 2002 Great Savannah Shootout Schedule

Friday, February 22
North Carolina vs. Georgia, 11 a.m.
AASU vs. Connecticut, 2 p.m.

Saturday, February 23
Georgia vs. Connecticut, 11 a.m.
AASU vs. North Carolina, 2 p.m.

Sunday, February 24
Connecticut vs. North Carolina, 11 a.m.
AASU vs. Georgia, 2 p.m.

Shootout Records

Armstrong Atlantic .......... 43-18-1
Army ................................ 1-2
Augusta .......................... 4-5
Charleston Southern ....... 1-1
Campbell ........................ 1-2
Georgia ............................. 2-0
Georgia Southern ......... 2-0
Georgia State ............. 0-2
Howard ........................ 2-36
Kentucky ..................... 9-3
Liberty .......................... 1-1
Louisville ..................... 0-3
Mercer .......................... 7-6
North Carolina .......... 1-1
North Carolina State .... 15-0-1
Radford .......................... 0-2
South Carolina State .... 1-8
The Citadel ................... 8-9
Troy State ...................... 2-1
Vanderbilt .................... 5-4
Wake Forest ................. 4-3
Wofford .......................... 0-2

Year-By-Year Results of the Great Savannah Shootout

1989
Campbell 8, The Citadel 6
Georgia Southern 13, Campbell 0
Armstrong Atlantic 3, The Citadel 2
Merrick 7, Campbell 1
The Citadel 10, Merrick 4
Armstrong Atlantic 16, Mercer 2
Wake Forest 6, Armstrong Atlantic 4
Georgia 14, Wake Forest 4
Georgia Southern 6, Wake Forest 5
Georgia 5, Armstrong Atlantic 2
Liberty 10, Armstrong Atlantic 2
Augusta 7, Armstrong Atlantic 2
Augusta 12, Liberty 3
Augusta 10, Radford 9
Armstrong Atlantic 8, Radford 0

1990
Wake Forest 10, Mercer 1
The Citadel 5, Armstrong Atlantic 4
Charleston Southern 12, Howard 1
Armstrong Atlantic 8, Char. Stn. 2
Armstrong Atlantic 17, Howard 0
Armstrong Atlantic 11, Howard 6
Army 15, Louisville 10
Armstrong Atlantic 10, Vanderbilt 1
Vanderbilt 7, Army 3
Armstrong Atlantic 3, Louisville 1
Vanderbilt 8, Louisville 7
Armstrong Atlantic 5, Army 4
Kentucky 6, Mercer 5
Armstrong Atlantic 6, Augusta 4
Merrick 7, Augusta 3
Armstrong Atl. 11, Kentucky 10 (12)
Kentucky 12, Augusta 5
Armstrong Atlantic 7, Mercer 6

1991
N.C. State 14, S.C. State 1
Armstrong Atlantic 9, S.C. State 4
The Citadel 15, S.C. State 2
N.C. State 5, Armstrong Atlantic 4
N.C. State 2, The Citadel 1 (15)
Armstrong Atlantic 3, The Citadel 2
Armstrong Atlantic 16, Howard 2
Kentucky 7, Augusta 1
Armstrong Atlantic 13, Howard 2
Augusta 2, Howard 0
Kentucky 10, Armstrong Atlantic 9
Kentucky 15, Howard 2
Armstrong Atlantic 7, Augusta 4
Armstrong Atlantic 18, Howard 1
Vanderbilt 8, The Citadel 1
Vanderbilt 7, Wake Forest 6
Wake Forest 12, Armstrong Atl. 8
Wake Forest 8, The Citadel 6
Armstrong Atlantic 6, Vanderbilt 2

1992
Armstrong Atlantic 13, Howard 2
N.C. State 1, Kentucky 0
Armstrong Atlantic 5, Howard 0
N.C. State 7, Howard 2
Kentucky 11, Armstrong Atlantic 7

1993
Kentucky 13, Howard 3
N.C. State 8, Armstrong Atlantic 5
Vanderbilt 14, S.C. State 5
Armstrong Atlantic 6, S.C. State 0
The Citadel 10, S.C. State 9
Armstrong Atlantic 9, Vanderbilt 3
The Citadel 3, Vanderbilt 1
Armstrong Atlantic 3, The Citadel 1

1994
S.C. State 13, Howard 2
Armstrong Atlantic 10, The Citadel 9
The Citadel 20, Howard 0
Armstrong Atlantic 23, S.C. State 3
The Citadel 9, S.C. State 0
Armstrong Atlantic 22, Howard 0
Armstrong Atlantic 25, Howard 6
Armstrong Atlantic 12, Howard 0
N.C. State 3, Kentucky 2
Armstrong Atlantic 16, Howard 1
N.C. State 10, Howard 0
Kentucky 3, Armstrong Atlantic 0
Kentucky 8, Howard 2
N.C. State 8, Armstrong Atlantic 5

1995
North Carolina 3, The Citadel 1
Armstrong Atl. 14, Georgia State 5
The Citadel 8, Georgia State 4
Armstrong Atl. 6, North Carolina 3
Troy State 22, Howard 1
Troy State 9, Armstrong Atlantic 8
N.C. State 6, Troy State 3
Armstrong Atlantic 12, Howard 1
N.C. State 16, Howard 10
Armstrong Atlantic 28, Howard 3
N.C. State 21, Howard 2
Armstrong Atl. 13, N.C. State 13 (10)
Armstrong Atlantic 13, Howard 1

1996
Armstrong Atlantic 2, Howard 0
Howard 6, Armstrong Atlantic 5
Armstrong Atlantic 10, Howard 1

1997
Armstrong Atlantic 6, Wofford 5
Armstrong Atlantic 6, Wofford 2

1998
Armstrong Atlantic 15, Howard 4
Merrick 10, Howard 0
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AASU trailed Kentucky, 10-0, made 10 errors, yet won 11-10 in the 1990 Shootout
### The Peach Belt

The Peach Belt Conference is arguably the best - or certainly among the very best - NCAA Division II baseball leagues in the nation. Traditionally, the PBC has several World Series candidates every year.

Since 1990, the PBC has sent six different clubs to Montgomery to play in the NCAA DII World Series; Armstrong Atlantic State, Columbus State, Kennesaw State, Georgia College & State, North Florida and USC Aiken. Since 1984, PBC clubs have made it to 20 World Series, with 6 NAIA World Series appearances and 14 NCAA DII World Series appearances by PBC members in the past 17 years!

In 1999, UNF (No. 5) won the PBC with eight losses while KSU (No. 2), CSU (No. 17) and Armstrong (No. 10) all ended up with nine losses. Lander (No. 24) and GC&SU (No. 30) also were ranked. In 2000, UNF (No. 3) ran away with the PBC title, but a tight race for second saw GC&SU (No. 6) and CSU (No. 24) tie and KSU (No. 17) finish one game back. Armstrong (No. 25) was also ranked.

This year it appears that another tight race will take place and the PBC will have at least four World Series caliber clubs in No. 2 UNF, who returns most of its pitching to combine with a solid recruiting class, No. 3 GC&SU, who returns most of its team plus a great recruiting class, No. 10 KSU, who returns a lot of quality players, and No. 14 CSU, who lost only one pitcher but has had recruits who beat out returning starters. AASU is predicted at No. 28 with basically a new team.

### The 2000 Schedule

Once again, AASU will play a demanding NCAA Division II slate with 12 of their 30 Peach Belt games against highly-ranked clubs. AASU visits No. 2 UNF, No. 3 GC&SU and No. 10 KSU for nine road games and hosts No. 14 CSU in a three-game set.

Also, the Pirates will play seven games against five other clubs ranked in the preseason NCAA Top 40, including six at home. AASU will host No. 19 Quincy, No. 30 SIU Edwardsville (twice), No. 39 Bryant, No. 40 Wayne State (Neb.) and a home-away set with No. 40 Valdosta State. Overall, AASU has 19 games with nine at home and 10 on the road vs. ranked clubs.

Filling out the schedule includes: Kutztown, a 1999 league champ and regional squad, Queens (N.Y.), a 1998 league champ and regional team, South Dakota State, a six-time regional team in the ‘90s, Concord (W.Va.), who was 33-12 and just missed a regional spot last year, St. Andrews, who captured the 2000 CVAC Tournament championship, NW Missouri State, who finished fourth in the MIAA last year, Lander, who was 33-15 and a strong regional contender in 1999 and the rest of the PBC.

AASU has eight teams on its schedule that went to the DII World Series during the ‘90s in UNF, GC&SU, KSU, CSU, USC Aiken, Gardner-Webb, VSU and SIU Edwardsville.
Pirate Overview

Armstrong Atlantic State is working hard to post an above-average baseball season this spring. The “average” baseball season at AASU since 1983 is a 43-17 record with a probable post-season berth. AASU is one of only four NCAA Division II teams to play in 9 of the past 13 regionals and the Pirates are the second winningest team since 1983.

Head coach Joe Roberts has 20 new faces on his 26-man roster this spring, the largest squad total in his 22 years leading Pirate baseball. The Pirates start No. 28 nationally and they have finished in the Top 25 in 10 of the last 13 years. AASU expects to post its 22nd consecutive winning season and hopes that its young group of newcomers will play itself into contention in the powerful Peach Belt Conference and for a South Atlantic Regional berth. A position-by-position nutshell follows:

Pitching

Pitching coach Calvain Culberson has had seven pro signees from his staff in the past three years, not including top recruit Dustin McGowan, who was a first-round draft pick in the 2000 MLB First-Year Player Draft last spring. He has a new group this year with nine new faces among a 12-man staff.

Senior B.J. Brinkmeier (RHP, Sr., 6-2, 195), who went 5-6 with a 3.25 ERA as a junior, will be joined in the starting rotation by three newcomers. All four starters have solid Missouri junior college baseball backgrounds. Ross Koenig (RHP, Jr., 6-2, 175), Adam Olejniczak (RHP, Jr., 6-2, 195) and Kyle Blevins (LHP, Jr., 6-2, 190) should form a solid starting rotation.

The Pirates have five righties in the bullpen this year. The three junior college transfers are Kyle Murdock (RHP, Jr., 6-1, 190), Nick Wells (RHP, Soph., 6-4, 195) from nearby Ludowici, Ga., and Brian Allen (RHP, Jr., 6-3, 175) from Cairo, Ga. The freshmen are Zack Shelnutt (RHP, Fr., 6-0, 160) from South Gwinnett and Brandon Wolcott (RHP/OF, Fr., 6-3, 195) from Americus.

The three southpaws on the staff include returning Canadian closer Andrew Moss (LHP, Soph., 5-11, 205), who went 4-1 with a 2.36 ERA and two saves as a freshman, senior Bill Keifer (DH/LHP, Sr., 6-1, 215), who was 1-0 with a 6.75 ERA last season, and junior college transfer Justin Worrell (LHP, Jr., 6-0, 195).

Pirate pitching has traditionally been strong and the staff ERA has been ranked in the Top 10 nationally in 10 of the past 13 seasons.

In coach Culberson’s opinion, “This year’s staff will consist of a lot of guys who can go out and throw strikes, keeping us in games in order to give our offense a chance to win them. Our four starters should give us quality innings to allow us to use our bullpen a lot more in matchup situations. If our staff sticks to our philosophy of throwing strikes and using the defense, we should be fine in 2001.”
Catching

The Pirates’ past two catchers have signed with the Arizona Diamondbacks. This season, a pair of juniors will handle the chores. Canadian David Harriman (C, Jr., 6-0, 190) is a junior college transfer while Pat Daly (C, Jr., 6-1, 200) is in his third year at AASU and hit .333 in 17 games for the Pirates in 2000.

First Base

Junior transfer Matt Easterwood (1B, Jr., 6-2, 215) from Lithia Springs appears to be ahead at 1B. Junior transfer Rob Mills (OF/1B, Jr., 5-10, 180) is a lefty-hitting possibility as is freshman Stacy Bennett (3B/1B, Fr., 6-2, 180) from Watkinsville. Senior Jeff Thomas (Sr., IF, 5-10, 170), who hit .310 in 25 games for the Pirates in 2000, adds depth here.

Second Base

Canadian junior transfer Trevor Rurak (2B/SS, Jr., 5-11, 180) hit .471 last year at New Mexico JC, however, he starts the season with back problems and will be unavailable for the beginning of the season. Freshman Ryan Chromek (2B, Fr., 5-5, 150) from Collins Hill is an exciting option at second base, while senior Jeff Thomas (Sr., IF, 5-10, 170) provides depth.

Shortstop

Junior transfer Kirk Nordness (SS/2B, Jr., 6-0, 185) is a previously drafted player with ability. Sophomore Chris Boaen (SS/3B, Soph., 5-9, 160) returns for his second season and senior Jeff Thomas (Sr., IF, 5-10, 170) adds depth.

Third Base

Sophomore Chris Boaen (SS/3B, Soph., 5-9, 160) from Savannah Christian, who played in 36 games and hit .293, and senior Jeff Thomas (Sr., IF, 5-10, 170) are returning infielders. Freshman Stacy Bennett (3B/1B, Fr., 6-2, 180) from Watkinsville gives the position a left-side hitting option.

Outfield

There are six new outfielders this year, with three being lefty-hitting junior college transfers and three righties with two freshmen and a sophomore. All three transfers were All-State in junior college ball - Justin Lillie (Jr., CF, 5-10, 165) hit .471 last year, Jason Pruitt (Jr., LF, 5-9, 165) hit .423 last year and Rob Mills (OF/1B, Jr., 5-10, 180) hit .356 in a wood bat league. Donnie Dill (LF, Soph., 6-0, 175) is the lone sophomore while the two freshmen are Chris Dentler (CF, Fr., 5-10, 170) and Brandon Wolcott (Fr., RHP/OF, 6-3, 195).
Designated Hitter

Senior Bill Keifer (DH/LHP, Sr., 6-1, 215) is a solid lefthanded hitter who has hit .303 and .353 in his two years at AASU and will be in the cast of many who hit in this slot.

Coaches’ Comments

“We pretty much have a new team this year and it’s been fun so far,” coach Roberts says. “We appear to be more coachable in adjustments and have better chemistry than we have had in quite awhile. Position player-wise, we have more players and options than we have ever had here. Our pitching lacks a dominant starter or a closer but should be able to keep us in a lot of games, and hopefully our scrappy group will find ways to end up ahead.”

2000 Season Review

Head coach Joe Roberts’ baseball squad finished the 2000 season with a 37-17 overall record, 15-15 in the PBC and ranked No. 25 in the final Collegiate Baseball Division II Top 25 Coaches’ Poll. The record marked the 17th time the Pirates have won 35 or more games in a season in the last 20 years. AASU has also been ranked in the final NCAA Division II Top 25 in 10 of the last 13 seasons.

AASU compiled a 28-9 home record and went 14-1 in the Savannah Invitational, where the Pirates hosted top-quality Division II teams from across the nation in a three-week long tournament. AASU also knocked off several ranked teams during the season, including taking two of three from South Atlantic Region runner-up Georgia College & State.

The Pirates again finished in the Top 20 in the nation in pitching (3.85 ERA) and fielding (.960) and had a 10-game winner in junior Jason Ackley, just the 15th Pirate to record 10+ wins in one season.

Several Pirates finished their careers with stellar years. Catcher Kevin Bullard led the Pirates in home runs (8) and ranked second in RBI (47) and finished his four-year Pirate career in the top 10 of seven different AASU offensive categories. He was also named PBC Player of the Week for May 2. Pitcher Joey Williams went 8-5 with a 3.30 ERA and his 23 career wins ranks fourth all-time and his 219 strikeouts ranks second all-time. He was also the PBC’s Pitcher of the Week for February 15.

Shane Shelton finished his AASU career by pitching in 64 games, the second most all-time. Brian Chester, who played three years for the Pirates, ranks ninth in total at-bats. Three two-year players finished their careers - Ray Castillo (AASU’s all-time leader in hit by pitch, 32), Jimmy LaRose (.345 career BA) and Mike Cadwallader (.280 average, 23 stolen bases).
Joe Roberts
Head Baseball Coach

Joe Roberts begins his 22nd season at the helm of the Armstrong Atlantic State. While at AASU, Roberts has posted an overall 873-391 (.691) record and has established a winning tradition that has resulted in 21 consecutive winning seasons. During his career, Roberts’ teams have been consistently ranked among the nation’s elite, including a streak of 110 straight weeks in the NCAA Division II Poll, covering seven full seasons. Roberts also currently serves as the DII National Poll Chairman for baseball and is the current ABCA Coaches’ Association President.

The 1988, 1989 and 1994 Pirate squads advanced to the NCAA Division II World Series, and the 1990 team was ranked No. 1 in the country for the entire season.

As impressive as Roberts’ teams have been on the field, they’ve been just as impressive in the classroom, with 80 graduates in the past 15 years alone.

Roberts was a four sport letterman at Lebanon (Ind.) HS before attending Lake Sumter CC in Leesburg, Fla. He finished his collegiate career at St. Andrews College in Laurinburg, N.C., where he was again a four sport letterman and a basketball standout, setting several school, conference and NCAA records during a two year career that saw him named All-Conference twice. He was selected the Dixie Conference MVP in his junior year of 1974 and was inducted into the St. Andrews Athletic Hall of Fame in 1995.

The Lebanon, Ind., native is married to the former Lynn Tucker of Port Wentworth. The couple have two sons, Brian, 11, and Eric, 10.

Coach Roberts’ Honors

Coach of the Year

1984 NAIA District 25
1987 Big South Conference
1988 NCAA II South Atlantic Region
1989 NCAA II South Atlantic Region
1990 Georgia "All College Male Sports"
1992 Peach Belt Athletic Conference
1994 NCAA II South Atlantic Region

Hall of Fame Inductee

1995 St. Andrews College Athletic Hall of Fame

Committees

1983-84 NAIA District 25 Baseball Committee
1988-91 ABCA All-America, Region Chairman
1988-91 ABCA All-America, Selection Committee
1989-95 NCAA II Region Advisory Committee
1989- "Collegiate Baseball"-National Poll Chairman
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1993-94,99 Peach Belt Baseball Chairman
2000- ABCA NCAA Division II President

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10 Coach Roberts is the youngest coach in the NCAA to reach the 800 win plateau
**Head Coach Joe Roberts**

**The Roberts File - Since 1983**

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100 | Flagler | 13-1 | 5-2-82 | Glen Aspinwall | Glen Aspinwall
200 | Paine | 14-6 | 4-17-84 | Dennis Wilcox | Dennis Wilcox
300 | Coastal Carolina | 7-3 | 5-5-86 | Bobby Richardson | Bobby Richardson
399* | Columbus | 5-3 | 5-21-88 | Derek Mann | Derek Mann
400 | The Citadel | 3-2 | 2-11-89 | Chal Port | Chal Port
442* | Northern Kentucky | 18-2 | 5-21-89 | Bill Aker | Bill Aker
500 | Missouri-St. Louis | 13-0 | 3-6-91 | Jim Brady | Jim Brady
600 | USC Aiken | 9-6 | 3-13-93 | Gary Gilmore | Gary Gilmore
664* | Wingate | 12-2 | 5-22-94 | Bill Nash | Bill Nash
700 | Kennesaw State | 3-2 | 2-25-96 | Mike Sansing | Mike Sansing
750 | Newberry | 10-1 | 3-28-97 | Tim Medlin | Tim Medlin
800 | Augusta State | 2-0 | 2-13-99 | Skip Fite | Skip Fite

* NCAA II Regional Championship Win

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Joe Roberts was the South Atlantic Region Coach of the Year in 1988, 1989 and 1994
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Roberts’ 873 wins rank him seventh all-time among NCAA Division II coaches.
Calvain Culberson will be in his sixth season as a full-time assistant coach at AASU, after completing an eight-year professional baseball career. Calvain is no stranger to Armstrong Atlantic, having played for the Pirates from 1985-1988, and having assisted coach Roberts in a part-time role during his professional career.

Calvain's coaching role at AASU includes working with the outfielders and pitchers, and assisting with baserunning and hitting instruction.

While working with AASU’s pitchers, Culberson has instructed several players who have, like him, enjoyed professional success. Current Detroit Tiger Adam Bernero, who Culberson coached during the 1999 season, reached the major leagues in just 15 months, becoming AASU’s first major league player.

Culberson finished his pro career in 1995 at Pawtucket, a triple-A affiliate of the Boston Red Sox. He had joined the Red Sox organization as a free agent after having pitched at Double-A Chattanooga and Triple A Indianapolis in the Cincinnati Reds farm chain. Calvain began his pro career in 1989 in the Atlanta Braves farm system, where he hit .313 in his first season, before changing positions and becoming a pitcher.

During Culberson’s AASU career, the Pirates posted an overall 181-66 (.733) record, with Calvain hitting in the leadoff spot his final three years. The Rome, Georgia native holds seven school records with the most notable being his 32-game hitting streak (1988) and his 128 career stolen bases.

Calvain was an All-Big South Conference selection in 1986 and 1987 when AASU was playing NCAA I baseball. In his last season with the Pirates he was an AASU co-captain and was chosen as a member of the all-South Atlantic Region team and an honorable mention DII All-American.

Calvain is married to the former Pamela Johnson of Port Wentworth, an AASU graduate, who works as a System Analyst II for AASU. The couple have a son, Matthew, born March 29, 1998.

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Calvain Culberson’s 32-game hitting streak in 1988 is the NCAA Division II’s eighth-best
Tommy Thomson
Assistant Baseball Coach

Tommy Thomson is entering his 21st season as a volunteer assistant baseball coach at Armstrong Atlantic State. Serving the Pirates whenever his local business interests allow, Thomson’s primary area of instruction with AASU has been as a hitting instructor.

In his 20 seasons, the Pirates have posted an overall record of 851-371 (.696). The personable assistant has certainly been a key factor in the Pirates offensive showing during his tenure.

The Savannah native coached baseball for many years in the local youth leagues. After serving two years as an assistant with a local American Legion team, Thomson took over the head coaching duties and guided his teams to state championships all three years that he served in that capacity.

A premier bowler, Thomson graduated from Savannah High School in 1954. He is married to the former Carolyn Ihly of Savannah. The couple has two children, Lisa, 40 and Curtis, 38, and they have a pair of grandchildren by each child.

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### Numerical Roster

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**Head Coach:** 10-Joe Roberts  
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**AASU has 27 players from nine different states and two Canadian provinces**
2001 Depth Chart

Pirate Field
Capacity: 750
Location: AASU Campus

Dimensions
Left: 340
Left Center: 380
Center: 390
Right Center: 380
Right: 340

Center Field
Justin Lillie
Chris Dentler

Left Field
Jason Pruitt
Donnie Dill

Right Field
Rob Mills
Brandon Wolcott

Shortstop
Kirk Nordness
Chris Boaen

Second Base
Trevor Rurak
Ryan Chromek
Jeff Thomas

Third Base
Chris Boaen
Stacy Bennett
Jeff Thomas

First Base
Matt Easterwood
Stacy Bennett
Jeff Thomas

RH Pitcher
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Adam Olejniczak
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LH Pitcher
Kyle Blevins
Andrew Moss
Justin Worrell
Bill Keifer

Catcher
David Harriman
Pat Daly

Designated Hitter
Bill Keifer
Ryan Chromek
Jeff Thomas
David Harriman

Coaches
Joe Roberts, Head Coach
Calvain Culberson, Assistant Coach
Tommy Thomson, Assistant Coach

AASU has compiled a 162-98 record (.623) against NCAA Division I teams since 1983
2001 Roster Breakdown

By Hometown

Arkansas (2)
- Kyle Blevins
- Adam Olejniczak

British Columbia (2)
- David Harriman
- Trevor Rurak

California (2)
- Kyle Murdock
- Jason Pruitt

Georgia (10)
- Brian Allen
- Stacy Bennett
- Chris Boaen
- Ryan Chromek
- Chris Dentler
- Donnie Dill
- Matt Easterwood
- Zach Shelnutt
- Brandon Wolcott
- Nick Wells

Missouri (2)
- B.J. Brinkmeier
- Ross Koenig

Ohio (1)
- Bill Keifer

Oklahoma (1)
- Justin Lillie

Ontario (2)
- Andrew Moss
- Jeff Thomas

Oregon (2)
- Rob Mills
- Kirk Nordness

Pennsylvania (1)
- Patrick Daly

Washington (1)
- Justin Worrell

By Previous School

Alabama (1)
- Matt Eastwood, Jefferson State CC

California (4)
- David Harriman, Taft College
- Kyle Murdock, Mission College
- Jason Pruitt, Bakersfield CC
- Justin Worrell, Lassen CC

Florida (1)
- Bill Keifer, Gulf Coast CC

Georgia (10)
- Ryan Chromek, Collins Hill HS
- Chris Dentler, Salem HS
- Donnie Dill, Andrew College
- Zach Shelnutt, South Gwinnett HS
- Jeff Thomas, Andrew College
- Nick Wells, Middle Georgia
- Brandon Wolcott, Americus HS

Kentucky (1)
- Jason Bibb, Western Kentucky

Missouri (4)
- Kyle Blevins, Crowder College
- B.J. Brinkmeier, Meramac JC
- Ross Koenig, Jefferson College
- Adam Olejniczak, Jefferson College

New Mexico (1)
- Trevor Rurak, New Mexico JC

North Carolina (1)
- Nathaniel Miller, Catawba College

Ontario (1)
- Andrew Moss, Clarkson HS

Oregon (2)
- Kirk Nordness, Lane CC
- Rob Mills, Lane CC

Pennsylvania (1)
- Patrick Daly, Holy Name HS

The 2000 Pirate team features 19 newcomers and six returnees.
Brian Allen
6-3 • 175 • Junior • RHP • B:R T:R
Cairo, Ga. • Andrew College

Junior college transfer who will be one of the top arms out of the bullpen.

JUNIOR COLLEGE: Pitched for two seasons at Andrew College in Cuthbert, Ga. ... Was the No. 1 starter for the Tigers both seasons ... Went 4-6 with a 2.29 ERA as a freshman with 38 strikeouts and 16 walks in 51 innings ... 4-5 with a 4.25 ERA as a sophomore, notching 53 strikeouts and allowing just 17 walks in 55 innings pitched. HIGH SCHOOL: Four-year starter for Cairo HS in Cairo, Ga. ... Earned All-Area and honorable mention All-Region honors. PERSONAL: Born Max Brian Allen on September 15, 1979, in Thomasville, Ga. ... Hometown is Cairo, Ga. ... Son of Max and Susie Allen ... Majoring in civil engineering ... Enjoys fishing, hunting and skiing ... Nolan Ryan is a favorite sports personality.

Stacy Bennett
6-2 • 180 • Freshman • 3B/1B • B:L T:R
Watkinsville, Ga. • Oconee HS

Freshman infielder who could see time at third base this season. HIGH SCHOOL: Played for three seasons at Oconee County HS ... Earned All-State and first-team All-Northeast Georgia honors as a senior ... Also named team MVP for the Warriors. PERSONAL: Born Charles Stacy Bennett, Jr., on April 2, 1982, in Athens, Ga. ... Hometown is Watkinsville, Ga. ... Son of Charles and Carol Bennett ... Undecided in major ... Enjoys playing golf, tennis and skiing ... Chipper Jones and Ken Griffey, Jr., are favorite sports personalities.

Kyle Blevins
6-2 • 190 • Junior • LHP • B:L T:L
Bentonville, Ark. • Crowder College

Lefty hurler who will have a chance to break into the starting rotation.

JUNIOR COLLEGE: Played for two seasons at Crowder College in Neosho, Mo. ... Went 3-4 with a 4.50 ERA as a sophomore, striking out 52 batters in 52 innings and giving up 51 hits and just 19 walks ... Crowder finished second in the Region XVI championships in 2000. HIGH SCHOOL: Three-year starter at Bentonville HS in Bentonville, Ark. ... Two-time All-Conference honoree for the Tigers. PERSONAL: Born Kyle Blevins on July 28, 1980, in Springdale, Ark. ... Hometown is Bentonville ... Son of Walter and Terri Yockey ... Enjoys being outdoors and playing all sports ... Tom Glavine is a favorite sports personality.
Chris Boaen
5-9 • 160 • Sophomore • SS/3B • B:R T:R
Savannah, Ga. • Savannah Christian

Local product who saw extensive action at SS in 2000 ... Will be the Pirates’ starting 3B in 2001. 2000: Played in 36 games, starting 21 for the Pirates as a freshman ... Hit .293 with one home run and 12 RBI ... Went 3-for-3 with his first collegiate home run at Columbus State on 4/9. HIGH SCHOOL: Played for four seasons at Savannah Christian Prep ... Earned All-City honors by the Savannah Morning News in baseball and football. PERSONAL: Christopher Milton Boaen on December 3, 1980, in Savannah, Ga., his hometown ... Son of Eddie and Brenda Boaen ... Enjoys golf, water skiing and fishing ... Majoring in engineering ... Ozzie Smith is a favorite sports personality.

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B.J. Brinkmeier
6-2 • 195 • Senior • RHP • B:R T:R
St. Charles, Mo. • Meramec JC

Pirates’ No. 1 starter in PBC play returns for his senior season. 2000: Went 5-6 with a 3.25 ERA as a junior ... Ranked 5th in the Peach Belt in ERA ... Hured a 2-0 four-hit shutout against USC Spartanburg on 4/16. JUCO: Enjoyed a fine sophomore season for Meramec CC, compiling a 7-3 record and a 2.28 ERA ... Gave up just 47 hits in 67 innings, striking out 66 hitters and walking just 13 ... Earned Missouri JC All-Star Team honors. HIGH SCHOOL: Two-year All-Conference pitcher for Francis Howell HS in St. Charles, Mo. PERSONAL: Born William John Brinkmeier on September 19, 1979, in Davenport, Iowa ... Hometown is St. Charles, Mo. ... Son of Bill and Sue Brinkmeier ... Majoring in athletic training ... Lists Pedro Martinez as a favorite sports personality.

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Ryan Chromek
5-5 • 150 • Freshman • Second Base • B:R T:R
Suwanee, Ga. • Collins Hill HS

Freshman middle infielder who will compete for time at second base and DH immediately. HIGH SCHOOL: Played for two seasons at Collins Hill HS in Suwanee, Ga. ... Hit .440 with 15 stolen bases and a .560 OBP as a senior, earning All-State honors ... Two-time team MVP for the Eagles who was selected to play for Atlanta-East in the Georgia Dugout Club All-Star series. PERSONAL: Born Ryan Joseph Chromek on February 1, 1982, in Kansas City, Mo. ... Hometown is Suwanee, Ga. ... Son of Bob and Mary Chromek ... Majoring in engineering ... Brother, Brandon, plays baseball at Southern Polytechnic State in Marietta, Ga. ... Andruw Jones is a favorite sports personality.

AASU has winning records against 11 Division I conferences for the past 17 years
Pat Daly
6-1 • 200 • Junior • Catcher • B:R T:R
West Reading, Pa. • Holy Name HS

Junior catcher who will see plenty of action this season behind the plate for the Pirates. **2000:** Played in 17 games as a sophomore, hitting .333. Went 2-for-5 in AASU’s 12-2 win over Newberry on 4/26. **1999:** Hit .250 in limited duty for AASU, playing five games, including one start. **HIGH SCHOOL:** Three-time All-County honoree at Holy Name HS in Reading, Pa. ... Earned Carpenter Cup All-Star honors for the Blue Jays. **PERSONAL:** Born Patrick Jay Daly on August 23, 1979, in West Reading, Pa., his hometown. ... Son of Cathy and Patrick Daly ... Majoring in journalism ... Enjoys playing golf and going to the beach.

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Chris Dentler
5-10 • 170 • Freshman • Outfield • B:R T:R
Conyers, Ga. • Salem HS

Speedy freshman who will fight for time at center field in his first year for the Pirates. **HIGH SCHOOL:** Three-year starter at Salem HS in Conyers, Ga. ... Hit .373 with 35 stolen bases as a senior ... Hit .447 as a junior ... Holds Salem HS stolen base records for season (35) and career (61) ... Two-time Atlanta Journal-Constitution All-Area center field honoree ... Also two-time All-Area honoree by the Atlanta Journal-Constitution in football as a defensive back for the Seminoles. **PERSONAL:** Born Christopher Mark Dentler on August 11, 1982, in Lake Forest, Ill. ... Hometown is Conyers, Ga. ... Son of Mark and Konni Dentler ... Undecided in major ... Deion Sanders and Nomar Garciaparra are favorite sports personalities.

Donnie Dill
6-0 • 175 • Sophomore • Outfield • B:R T:R
Locust Grove, Ga. • Andrew College

Sophomore outfielder who transfers to the Pirates after one season at Andrew College ... Will see action in left field. **JUNIOR COLLEGE:** Hit .333 as a freshman and earned honorable mention All-Conference honors at Andrew College in Cuthbert, Ga. **HIGH SCHOOL:** Four-year starter for Stockbridge HS in Henry, Ga. ... Selected to compete for the Atlanta-West team in the Georgia Dugout Club All-Star series as a senior. **PERSONAL:** Born Donnie L. Dill, Jr. on September 27, 1979, in Atlanta, Ga. ... Hometown is Locust Grove, Ga. ... Son of Don and Dora Dill ... Majoring in general studies ... Would like to be involved in turf management as a career ... Mickey Mantle is a favorite sports personality.
Matt Easterwood
6-2 • 215 • Junior • First Base • B:R T:R
Lithia Springs, Ga. • Jefferson State CC

Junior slugger who will assume the starting spot at first base for the Pirates in 2001. JUNIOR COLLEGE: Played for two seasons for Jefferson State CC in Birmingham, Ala. ... Jefferson State CC was the top-ranked team in NJCAA for part of 2000 ... Hit .289 as a sophomore after missing a month with an ankle injury ... Earned academic All-Region honors. HIGH SCHOOL: Two-year All-County player at Lithia Springs HS ... Selected to compete for the Atlanta-West team in the Georgia Dugout Club All-Star series as a senior ... Hit .486 with six home runs as a senior for the Lions. PERSONAL: Born Matthew Ryan Easterwood on May 18, 1980, in Statesboro, Ga. ... Hometown is Lithia Springs, Ga. ... Son of Mark and Jan Easterwood ... Majoring in political science ... Cousin, Brent Abernathy, is a second baseman in the Tampa Bay Devil Rays organization and played for Team USA in the 2000 Sydney Olympics ... Enjoys playing golf and the guitar.

David Harriman
6-0 • 190 • Junior • Catcher • B:R T:R
Surrey, British Columbia • Taft College

Junior college transfer who will assume the starting catching duties for the Pirates. JUNIOR COLLEGE: Played for two seasons at Taft College in Taft, Calif. ... Hit .326 with 10 doubles, three home runs and 27 RBI as a sophomore, earning first-team All-Conference honors. HIGH SCHOOL: Played for three seasons at Elgin Park Secondary in Surrey, British Columbia ... Team leader in batting average, home runs and RBI. PERSONAL: Born David Ian Harriman on October 15, 1980, in Richmond, British Columbia ... Hometown is Surrey ... Son of Cherry Harriman ... Majoring in biology ... Enjoys all sports and reading ... Vladimir Guerrero is a favorite sports personality.

Bill Keifer
6-1 • 215 • Senior • DH/LHP • B:L T:L
Niles, Ohio • Gulf Coast CC

Senior lefty who will be the starting DH and also contribute from the mound in his last season at AASU. 2000: Hit .353, tops on the squad, with two home runs and 18 RBI ... Also saw action in five games from the mound, picking up a win and a save. 1999: Hit .303 in 27 games for the Pirates at DH and at first base. JUNIOR COLLEGE: Transferred from Gulf Coast CC in Panama City, Fla. HIGH SCHOOL: Two-time All-Conference honoree at Howland HS in Warren, Ohio. PERSONAL: Born William Benjamin Keifer on September 20, 1977, in Warren, Ohio ... Hometown is Niles ... Son of Ed and Ruth Keifer ... Majoring in economics ... Enjoys working on cars ... Reggie Jackson is a favorite sports personality.

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Rob Mills
5-10 • 180 • Junior • Outfield • B:L T:R
Beaverton, Ore. • Lane CC
Lefthanded junior college transfer who has the lead on the starting right field job in 2001. JUNIOR COLLEGE: Played one year at Lane CC, earning All-Conference and All-Region honors for the Titans. HIGH SCHOOL: Three-year starter for Aloha HS in Beaverton, Ore. ... Earned All-League and All-State honors as a senior for the Warriors. PERSONAL: Born Robert Sean Mills on March 14, 1980, in Van Nuys, Calif. ... Hometown is Beaverton, Ore. ... Son of Chris and Karen Mills ... Majoring in history ... Enjoys reading and playing Playstation ... Barry Bonds and Lenny Dykstra are favorite sports personalities.

Ross Koenig
6-2 • 175 • Junior • RHP • B:R T:R
Festus, Mo. • Jefferson College
Junior college transfer who will be one of the Pirates’ top starting pitchers in the spring. JUNIOR COLLEGE: Played for two seasons at Jefferson College in Hillsboro, Mo. ... Drafted by the Chicago White Sox in the 42nd round after his freshman year ... Went 5-3 with a 2.37 ERA as a sophomore, striking out 57 batters in 59 innings while allowing 52 hits and 22 walks ... A member of NJCAA’s Team USA. HIGH SCHOOL: Three-year starter at Crystal City HS in Crystal City, Mo. ... Earned All-Metro, All-District and All-Conference honors for the Hornets. PERSONAL: Born John Ross Koenig on May 4, 1980, in St. Louis, Mo. ... Hometown is Festus ... Son of Ralph and Karen Koenig ... Majoring in economics ... Enjoys playing basketball, golf and fishing ... Billy Koch is a favorite sports personality.

Justin Lillie
5-10 • 165 • Junior • Outfield • B:L T:R
Stillwater, Okla. • Northern Oklahoma
Junior college transfer who inherits the starting center field job for the Pirates. JUNIOR COLLEGE: Played at Northern Oklahoma College in Tonkawa, Okla. ... Earned All-Conference, All-Region and All-State honors as a sophomore ... Named team MVP after hitting .471 with 10 doubles, four triples, six home runs and 28 stolen bases for the Mavericks. HIGH SCHOOL: Four-year starter for Stillwater HS in Stillwater, Okla ... Earned several all-tournament honors for the Pioneers. PERSONAL: Born Justin Lillie on November 9, 1978, in Stillwater, Okla., his hometown ... Son of Jon and Luann Lillie ... Majoring in engineering ... Enjoys hunting, fishing and playing golf.
Andrew Moss
5-11 • 205 • Sophomore • LHP • B:L T:L
Mississauga, Ontario • Clarkson HS

Sophomore southpaw who enjoyed a fine freshman campaign ... Top lefty out of the bullpen. **2000:** Went 4-1 with a team-best 2.36 ERA as a freshman ... Earned first collegiate win with two innings of relief against Bemidji State on 3/16 ... Pitched five shutout innings of relief to pick up win at No. 17 Columbus State on 4/8. **HIGH SCHOOL:** Two-year starter for Clarkson HS in Mississauga ... Earned Academic Excellence award all four years at Clarkson. **PERSONAL:** Born Andrew David Moss on April 7, 1981, in Mississauga, Ontario, his hometown ... Son of Chris and Barbara Moss ... Majoring in English ... Enjoys weightlifting and running ... Sandy Koufax is a favorite sports personality.

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Kyle Murdock
6-1 • 190 • Junior • RHP • B:R T:R
San Jose, Calif. • Mission College

Junior college transfer who will be an integral part of the bullpen. **JUNIOR COLLEGE:** Played for two seasons at Mission College in Santa Clara, Calif. ... Went 5-1 with a 4.89 ERA as a sophomore ... Struck out 50 batters and allowed just 41 hits in 46 innings pitched for the Saints. **HIGH SCHOOL:** Two-year standout in both football and baseball at Pioneer HS in San Jose, Calif. ... Earned All-League honors in both sports. **PERSONAL:** Born Kyle Joshua Thaddeus Murdock on February 17, 1979, in Santa Clara, Calif. ... Hometown is San Jose ... Son of Pam and Greg Murdock ... Majoring in secondary education ... Enjoys listening to music and playing all sports.

Kirk Nordness
6-0 • 186 • Junior • SS/2B • B:R T:R
Beaverton, Ore. • Lane CC

Middle infielder who will take over the starting shortstop position for the Pirates in 2001. **JUNIOR COLLEGE:** Earned All-Conference and All-Region honors at Lane CC ... Hit .350 with 12 doubles, one triple, one home run and nine stolen bases as a sophomore in an all-wood bat conference. **HIGH SCHOOL:** Three-year starter for Beaverton HS ... Earned All-League and All-State honors as a junior and senior for the Beavers ... Drafted in the 38th round of the 1998 MLB Amateur Draft. **PERSONAL:** Born Kirk Thomas Nordness on December 20, 1979, in Portland, Ore. ... Hometown is Beaverton ... Son of Jeff Nordness ... Majoring in economics ... Kirby Puckett is a favorite sports personality.
Adam Olejniczak
6-2 • 195 • Junior • RHP • B:R T:R
Fayetteville, Ark. • Jefferson College

Junior college transfer who will fight for a spot in the Pirates’ starting rotation in 2000. **JUNIOR COLLEGE:** Played for two seasons at Jefferson College in Hillsboro, Mo. ... Went 9-2 with a 2.22 ERA as a sophomore, earning All-Conference, All-Region and All-State honors ... Allowed just 62 hits and 22 walks while striking out 61 hitters in 76 innings. **HIGH SCHOOL:** Three-year starter for Fayetteville HS in Fayetteville, Ark. ... Earned All-Conference, All-Region and All-State honors for the Bulldogs. **PERSONAL:** Born Adam Christopher Olejniczak on June 24, 1980, in Chicago, Ill. ... Son of Stan and Roseanne Olejniczak ... Majoring in computer science ... Kerry Wood and Sammy Sosa are favorite sports personalities.

Jason Pruitt
5-9 • 165 • Junior • Outfield • B:L T:L
Delano, Calif. • Bakersfield CC

Junior lefty who will begin the season as the Pirates’ starting left fielder. **JUNIOR COLLEGE:** Played for two seasons at Bakersfield College in Bakersfield, Calif. ... Hit .423 as a sophomore, 30th among California JuCo players, with 20 stolen bases and 50 runs scored, earning All-Conference and All-State honors. **HIGH SCHOOL:** Played at Delano HS, same high school as former Pirate shortstop Ray Castillo ... Named team MVP and first-team All-League as a senior for the Tigers. **PERSONAL:** Born Jason Thomas Pruitt on February 28, 1979, in Delano, Calif., his hometown ... Son of Shea Pruitt ... Majoring in physical education ... Enjoys playing baseball and listening to music ... David Justice and Michael Jordan are favorite sports personalities.

Trevor Rurak
5-11 • 180 • Junior • 2B/SS • B:R T:R
Burnaby, British Columbia • New Mexico JC

Junior middle infielder who will see plenty of time at second base for AASU in 2001. **JUNIOR COLLEGE:** Played for two seasons at New Mexico JC in Hobbs, N.M. ... Earned All-Conference and All-Region honors as a sophomore, hitting .471 with 21 doubles, five triples, eight home runs and 66 RBI ... Slugged .762 and had a .552 on-base percentage. **HIGH SCHOOL:** Three-year starter for Burnaby North in Burnaby, British Columbia ... Holds Burnaby North single-season records for hits and doubles. **PERSONAL:** Born Trevor David Rurak on January 18, 1980, in Burnaby, British Columbia, his hometown ... Son of Dave and Faye Rurak ... Majoring in physical education ... Enjoys playing golf and reading ... Roberto Alomar is a favorite sports personality.
Zach Shelnutt
6-0 • 160 • Freshman • RHP • B:R T:R
Snellville, Ga. • South Gwinnett HS
Freshman righthander who will be one of the top arms out of the bullpen.
HIGH SCHOOL: Three-year starter for South Gwinnett HS ... Career leader in wins (23) for the Comets ... Three-time All-County honoree and All-State honoree as a senior ... Hurled two no-hitters in his career including school’s only perfect game ever ... Went 8-3 with a 2.64 ERA as a senior ... Selected to pitch for Atlanta-East in the Georgia Dugout Club All-Star Series. PERSONAL: Born Robert Zachary Shelnutt on July 20, 1982, in Dekalb, Ga. ... Hometown is Snellville ... Son of Bart and Kelly Shelnutt ... Majoring in political science ... Enjoys playing volleyball, golf, tennis and listening to music ... Greg Maddux and Andruw Jones are favorite sports personalities.

Jeff Thomas
5-10 • 170 • Senior • Infield • B:R T:R
Parry Sound, Ontario • Andrew College
Versatile senior infielder who will see time again at second and third base for the Pirates. 2000: Hit .310 in 25 games for the Pirates as a junior ... Went 4-for-10 in weekend series at No. 17 Columbus State ... Hit grand slam in AASU’s 9-2 win over Bryant on 3/12. JUNIOR COLLEGE: Earned NJCAA Academic All-America honors at Andrew College in Cuthbert, Ga. HIGH SCHOOL: Pitched for Bell HS in Huntington Park, Calif. ... Named First-team All-City DH as a senior. PERSONAL: Born Jeffrey Earl McCabe Thomas on March 30, 1978, in Parry Sound, Ontario, his hometown ... Son of Marj and Rick Thomas ... Majoring in physical therapy ... Enjoys hockey and lists Bobby Orr as a favorite sports personality.

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Nick Wells
6-4 • 195 • Sophomore • RHP • B:R T:R
Ludowici, Ga. • Middle Georgia College
Area standout who joins the Pirates after one year at Middle Georgia. JUNIOR COLLEGE: Went 1-3 with a 3.94 ERA with 46 strikeouts and 48 innings as a freshman at Middle Georgia College. HIGH SCHOOL: Pitched for Long County HS ... Compiled a 29-6 overall record in his last two seasons with a 1.90 ERA and 396 strikeouts in 225 innings ... Selected to play in the Georgia Dugout Club All-Star Series ... Teammate of Blue Jays signee and No. 1 round pick Dustin McGowan. PERSONAL: Born Nicholas Charlton Wells, Jr., on December 29, 1980, in Savannah, Ga. ... Son of Nicky and Vicky Wells ... Undecided in major ... Enjoys fishing, hunting and playing golf ... Greg Maddux is a favorite sports personality.
Brandon Wolcott
6-3 • 195 • Freshman • RHP/UTIL • B:R T:R
Americus, Ga. • Americus HS
Versatile freshman who can help the Pirates immediately in the field and on the mound. **HIGH SCHOOL:** Four-year starter for Americus HS in Americus, Ga. ... Four-time All-Area honoree and two-time All-Region honoree who hit .487 with five home runs and went 1-1 with an 0.64 ERA as a senior ... Struck out 34 batters in 18.7 innings ... Two-time Team MVP of the Panthers. **PERSONAL:** Born Brandon G. Wolcott on May 5, 1982, in Americus, Ga., his hometown ... Son of Gregg and Sandra Wolcott ... Undecided in major ... Enjoys listening to music, going to the beach and playing ping-pong and golf ... Nomar Garciaparra and Mike Miller are favorite sports personalities.

Justin Worrell
6-0 • 195 • Junior • LHP • B:L T:L
Lacey, Wash. • Lassen CC
Junior southpaw who will be counted on to get lefties out coming from the bullpen. **JUNIOR COLLEGE:** Played for two seasons at Lassen CC in Susanville, Calif. ... Went 3-0 with a 4.44 ERA as a sophomore in 26 innings for the Cougars. **HIGH SCHOOL:** Four-year starter for Timberline HS in Lacey, Wash. ... Earned All-State honors and the South Sound Umpires Association Sportsmanship Award for the Blazers. **PERSONAL:** Born Justin T. Worrell on September 13, 1978, in Chehalis, Wash. ... Hometown is Lacey ... Son of Randy Worrell ... Majoring in political science ... Lists John Elway and Nolan Ryan as favorite sports personalities.

Georgia Governor Roy Barnes

On October 17, 2000, Georgia Governor Roy Barnes visited the campus of Armstrong Atlantic State University as part of a statewide tour to promote the Hope Scholarship program. Georgia’s Hope Scholarship program allows any Georgia senior with a 3.0 or better grade-point average in his or her core curriculum to receive tuition, fees and books to any public Georgia college or university. While visiting, Governor Barnes posed for pictures with members of the 2001 Pirate baseball team who attend Armstrong Atlantic State on the Hope Scholarship. In all, 11 of the 27 players on the 2001 AASU baseball team qualify for the Hope Scholarship.
AASU was 28-9 at home in 2000, including a 14-1 mark in the Savannah Invitational.
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*= 2000 Savannah Invitational; += Peach Belt Conference

AASU was the NCAA Division II national champion in team scoring in 1990 and 1993
1988
1. Florida Southern
2. Cal. St.-Sacramento
3. Jacksonville State
4. Armstrong State
5. New Haven
6. Lewis
7. Tampa
8. Columbus
9. Delta State
10. Cal. Poly-Pomona
11. Mankato State
12. Central Missouri St.
13. Mansfield
14. Troy State
15. Indiana (Pa.)
16. Lowell
17. UC Riverside
18. St. Thomas
19. Quinnipiac
20. Cal. Poly-SLO
21. Slippery Rock
22. Norfolk State
23. CS Chico
24. St. Joseph’s
25. Eckerd
26. CS Los Angeles
27. Florida Atlantic
28. NW Missouri State
29. Adelphi
30. Kentucky Wesleyan

1989
1. Armstrong State
2. Jacksonville State
3. New Haven
4. Cal. Poly-SLO
5. Rollins
6. Central Missouri St.
7. Florida Southern
8. Lewis
9. North Alabama
10. Slippery Rock
11. Tampa
12. Cal. St.-Sacramento
13. Northern Kentucky
14. San Francisco State
15. Columbus
16. Mankato State
17. Delta State
18. SIU-Edwardsville
19. CS Northridge
20. Eckerd
21. Shippensburg
22. NW Missouri State
23. Troy State
24. Springfield
25. Bellarmine
26. West Georgia
27. Norfolk State
28. Adelphi
29. Metropolitan State
30. Southern Indiana

1990
1. Armstrong State
2. New Haven
3. Florida Southern
4. Indiana (PA)
5. SIU-Edwardsville
6. Tampa
7. UC Davis
8. CS Northridge
9. Lewis
10. Rollins
11. Norfolk State
12. Sacred Heart
13. UC Riverside
14. Central Missouri St.
15. Missouri Southern
16. Troy State
17. Columbus
18. Jacksonville State
19. South Dakota State
20. Mankato State
21. Northern Kentucky
22. Ferris State
23. Philadelphia Textile
25. Merrimack
27. Sonoma State
28. NW Missouri State
29. Chapman
30. Florida Atlantic

1991
1. Florida Southern
2. Jacksonville State
3. Delta State
4. UC Riverside
5. Mo. So. State
6. Longwood
7. SIU-Edwardsville
8. Lewis
9. North Alabama
10. American Int’.L
11. Cal. Poly-SLO
12. Armstrong State
13. North Alabama
14. Troy State
15. Sonoma State
16. UMass Lowell
17. Slippery Rock
18. Regis
19. Florida Tech
20. Sacred Heart
21. Cal. Poly Pomona
22. Mercyhurst
23. Central Missouri St.
24. New Haven
25. Livingstone
26. USC Spartanburg
27. Lewis
28. CS Stanislaus
29. St. Cloud State
30. St. Joseph’s

1992
1. Tampa
2. Mansfield
3. Florida Southern
4. Cal. Poly-SLO
5. Missouri Southern
6. USC Aiken
7. Lewis
8. Armstrong State
9. UC Riverside
10. Livingstone
11. North Alabama
12. Shippensburg
13. Florida Tech
14. Southern Indiana
15. Missouri-St. Louis
16. Sonoma State
17. Sacred Heart
18. Columbus
19. SIU-Edwardsville
20. Longwood
21. South Dakota State
22. Valdosta State
23. Springfield
24. UC Davis
25. Troy State
26. Adelphi
27. Slippery Rock
28. St. Rose
29. Cameron
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6. Mansfield
7. UC Riverside
8. Springfield
9. UC Davis
10. North Florida
11. CS Dominguez Hills
12. Tampa
13. Central Oklahoma
14. Georgia College
15. Southern Indiana
16. Edinboro
17. Columbus
18. Cal. Poly-SLO
19. South Dakota State
20. St. Rose
21. Rollins
22. Missouri-St. Louis
23. Wingate
24. Mercyhurst
25. Southern Colorado
27. Jacksonville State
28. Adelphi
29. Grand Valley State
30. New Haven

1995
1. Florida Southern
2. Georgia College
3. Central Missouri St.
4. Valdosta State
5. North Alabama
6. Wingate
7. UC Riverside
8. Tampa
9. Bloomsburg
10. Kennesaw State
11. North Florida
12. Ashland
13. Delta State
14. Missouri Southern
15. Mansfield
16. New Haven
17. UC Davis
18. Lewis
19. UMass Lowell
20. St. Joseph’s
21. Barry
22. Mercyhurst
23. Columbus
24. San Francisco State
25. St. Rose
26. Saint Leo
27. South Dakota State
28. Missouri-St. Louis
29. Adelphi
30. SIU-Edwardsville

Only AASU, Tampa and Florida Southern have finished Top 12 in 8 of the past 13 polls
### 1996
1. Kennesaw State  
2. St. Joseph's  
3. Delta State  
4. Tampa  
5. Missouri-St. Louis  
6. Adelphi  
7. Columbus  
8. Southern Colorado  
9. Florida Southern  
10. Mercyhurst  
11. Abilene Christian  
12. Shippensburg  
13. Lewis  
14. UC Riverside  
15. Central Missouri St.  
16. Alabama-Huntsville  
17. CS Chico  
18. Saint Leo  
19. Mankato State  
20. Lincoln Memorial  
21. Mount Olive  
22. North Alabama  
23. Merrimack  
24. Slippery Rock  
25. CS Dominguez Hills  
26. Wingate  
27. New Haven  
28. Fort Hays State  
29. North Dakota State  
30. Georgia College

### 1997
1. CS Chico  
2. Central Oklahoma  
3. Tampa  
4. Kennesaw State  
5. Florida Southern  
6. Central Missouri St.  
7. Georgia C&SU  
8. Mount Olive  
9. SIU-Edwardsville  
10. Fort Hays State  
11. North Florida  
12. Quincy  
13. Abilene Christian  
14. Alabama-Huntsville  
15. North Alabama  
16. Indianapolis  
17. Saint Leo  
18. Armstrong Atlantic  
19. Florida Southern  
20. Illinois Wesleyan  
21. North Florida  
22. South Carolina State  
23. North Alabama  
24. Armstrong Atlantic  
25. Slippery Rock  
26. Miami (Ohio)  
27. Albertus Magnus  
28. Vassar  
29. Mount Union  
30. Bluffton

### 1998
1. Tampa  
2. Kennesaw State  
3. West Georgia  
4. CS Chico  
5. Central Missouri St.  
6. Alabama-Huntsville  
7. St. Joseph's  
8. SIU-Edwardsville  
9. Barry  
10. Delta State  
11. North Alabama  
12. Indianapolis  
13. Millersville  
14. Fort Hays State  
15. Florida Southern  
16. Mount Olive  
17. Missouri-St. Louis  
18. Columbus State  
19. Armstrong Atlantic  
20. Presbyterian  
21. North Florida  
22. UMass Lowell  
23. West Virginia State  
25. Slippery Rock  
26. Arizona State  
27. Valdosta State  
28. Central Ohio  
29. Saint Leo  
30. Queens, NY

### 1999
1. CS Chico  
2. Kennesaw State  
3. West Virginia State  
4. North Alabama  
5. North Florida  
6. Rockhurst  
7. SE Oklahoma State  
8. Carson-Newman  
9. Florida Southern  
10. Armstrong Atlantic  
11. Alabama-Huntsville  
12. Adelphi  
13. Delta State  
14. Mount Olive  
15. Ashland  
16. Quincy  
17. Columbus State  
18. Pittsburg State  
19. Central Missouri St.  
20. UMass-Lowell  
21. Sonoma State  
22. Saint Leo  
23. Kutztown  
24. Lander  
25. Slippery Rock  
26. St. Joseph's  
27. Mesa State  
28. Indianapolis  
29. Abilene Christian  
30. Georgia C&SU  
31. Missouri-St. Louis  
32. Slippery Rock  
33. Fresno State  
34. Alabama-Huntsville  
35. Abilene Christian  
36. Mount Olive  
37. Millersville  
38. Armstrong Atlantic  
39. Slippery Rock  
40. Pensacola

### 2000
1. SE Oklahoma  
2. Fort Hays State  
3. North Florida  
4. CS Chico  
5. Delta State  
6. Georgia C&SU  
7. Indianapolis  
8. Slippery Rock  
9. Central Missouri St.  
10. Gardner-Webb  
11. Florida Southern  
12. Tampa  
13. Rockhurst  
14. Abilene Christian  
15. Mount Olive  
16. Millersville  
17. Kennesaw State  
18. North Alabama  
19. Alabama-Huntsville  
20. Montevallo  
21. Quincy  
22. Texas Wesleyan  
23. Grand Canyon  
24. Columbus State  
25. Armstrong Atlantic  
26. Saginaw Valley St.  
27. Saint Leo  
28. Saint Rose  
29. Shippensburg  
30. Minn.-St. Mankato  
31. West Virginia State

### 2001 Preseason Poll
1. Southeast Oklahoma (43-12) 480  
2. North Florida (49-14) 458  
3. Georgia Coll. & State (39-20) 444  
4. Cal State Chico (45-12) 430  
5. Tampa (45-12) 428  
6. Florida Southern (47-13) 396  
7. Central Missouri State (49-13) 366  
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11. Indianapolis (42-23) 318  
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14. Rockhurst (42-18) 264  
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17. Delta State (48-12) 184  
18. Shippensburg (33-20) 182  
19. Quincy (42-17) 164  
20. UMass-Lowell (29-14) 162  
21. Mount Olive (42-12) 160  
22. Texas Wesleyan (37-21) 150  
23. Slippery Rock (37-14) 127  
24. Lenoir-Rhyne (31-20) 90  
25. Rollins (31-21) 82  
26. Saginaw Valley State (37-17) 77  
27. Millersville (45-14) 72  
28. Armstrong Atlantic State (37-17) 56  
29. Presbyterian (37-20) 51  
30. SIU Edwardsville (33-23) 40

AASU Head Coach Joe Roberts began directing the NCAA Division II Baseball Coaches’ Poll, as published by Collegiate Baseball magazine, at the beginning of the 1989 season.
### 2000 NCAA Division II Regional Recap

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| South            | 1    | 44-10  | Tampa       | 15-42        |
|                  | 2    | 45-11  | Florida Southern | 13-47        |
|                  | 3    | 41-19  | Gardner-Webb | 11-44        |
|                  | 4    | 37-17  | Saint Leo   | 17-39        |

| South Central    | 1    | 40-14-1| Abilene Christian | 31-16-1      |
|                  | 2    | 46-10  | Delta State     | 22-48        |
|                  | 3    | 35-11  | Southeastern Oklahoma St. | 13-43        |
|                  | 4    | 42-16  | Alabama-Huntsville | 22-42        |
| Results: May 18: |       |        | Delta State 11, Southeastern Oklahoma St. 9; Abilene Christian 18, Alabama-Huntsville 6. May 20: Southeastern Oklahoma St. 9, Alabama-Huntsville 7; Delta State 14, Abilene Christian 13; Southeastern Oklahoma St. 9, Abilene Christian 2. May 21: Southeastern Oklahoma St. 7, Delta State 4; Southeastern Oklahoma St. 11, Delta State 5. **Southeastern Oklahoma State advances.** |

| North Atlantic   | 1    | 32-11  | West Virginia State | 13-32        |
|                  | 2    | 32-18  | Shippensburg       | 13-33-20     |
|                  | 3    | 43-12  | Millersville       | 12-45-14     |
|                  | 4    | 33-12  | Slippery Rock      | 11-37-14     |

| Northeast        | 1    | 29-12  | UMass-Lowell       | 12-29-14     |
|                  | 2    | 32-18  | Stonehill          | 12-34-20     |
|                  | 3    | 34-12  | Concordia          | 12-35-14     |
|                  | 4    | 29-14-1| St. Rose           | 12-34-16-1   |
| Results: May 18: |       |        | Stonehill 10, Concordia 5. May 19: Saint Rose 7, UMass-Lowell 3; Concordia 7, UMass-Lowell 5. May 20: Saint Rose 5, Stonehill 2; Stonehill 2, Concordia 0. May 21: Saint Rose 6, Stonehill 3. **Saint Rose advances.** |

| North Central    | 1    | 35-16-1| Mercyhurst        | 12-35-18-1   |
|                  | 2    | 38-9-1 | Saginaw Valley State | 12-40-11     |
|                  | 3    | 40-16  | Ashland           | 12-41-18     |
|                  | 4    | 37-21  | Indianapolis       | 12-42-23     |
| Results: May 19: |       |        | Ashland 8, Saginaw Valley Sate 4; Indianapolis 11, Mercyhurst 2. May 20: Saginaw Valley State 3, Mercyhurst 2 (10 inn.); Indianapolis 5, Ashland 3; Saginaw Valley State 3, Ashland 1. May 21: Indianpolis 6, Saginaw Valley State 1. **Indianapolis advances.** |

| Central          | 1    | 44-10  | Central Missouri State | 12-49-13     |
|                  | 2    | 40-16  | Rockhurst           | 12-42-18     |
|                  | 3    | 42-12  | Winona State        | 12-42-14     |
|                  | 4    | 35-16  | Minn. Mankato       | 12-36-18     |
| Results: May 18: |       |        | Rockhurst 8, Winona State 7; Minnesota State Mankato 7, Central Missouri State 6. May 19: Central Missouri State 13, Winona State 1; Rockhurst 2, Minnesota State Mankato 1; Central Missouri State 6, Minnesota State Mankato 4. May 20: Central Missouri State 9, Rockhurst 6; Central Missouri State 9, Rockhurst 1. **Central Missouri State advances.** |

| West             | 1    | 43-10  | California State Chico | 12-45-12     |
|                  | 2    | 47-10  | Fort Hays State       | 12-54-12     |
|                  | 3    | 37-12  | Grand Canyon         | 12-37-14     |
|                  | 4    | 36-19  | Texas Wesleyan       | 12-37-21     |
| Results: May 18: |       |        | California State Chico 20, Texas Wesleyan 12; Fort Hays State 7, Grand Canyon 2. May 19: Texas Wesleyan 9, Grand Canyon 8 (10 inn.); California State Chico 10, Fort Hays State 3; Fort Hays State 8, Texas Wesleyan 3. May 20: Fort Hays State 11, California State Chico 3; Fort Hays State 5, California State Chico 2. **Fort Hays State advances.** |
## NCAA Division II All-America Teams

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### NCAA Division II Region Coaches of the Year

- **North Atlantic:** Jeff Messer, Slippery Rock
- **North Central:** Gary Vaught, Indianapolis
- **South Central:** Mike Metheny, SE Okla.
- **South:** Clyde Miller, Gardner-Webb
- **Northeast:** Bob Bellizzi, St. Rose
- **Central:** Brad Hill, Central Missouri St.
- **South Atlantic:** Dusty Rhodes, North Fla.
- **West:** Bob Fornelli, Fort Hays State

**AASU was the No. 1 seed in the South Atlantic Regional from 1988 to 1992**
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South Region Position Player of the Year
Brad Bouras, Columbus State
South Region Pitcher of the Year
Matt Incinelli, North Florida
South Region Coach of the Year
Dusty Rhodes, North Florida

### NCAA II Regional Seedings, 1988-91

#### 1988
- **South Atlantic**
  - 1-Armstrong State
  - 2-Columbus
  - 3-Norfolk State
  - 4-Kentucky Wesleyan
- **South**
  - 1-Florida Southern
  - 2-Tampa
- **South Central**
  - 1-Delta State
  - 2-Central Missouri
  - 3-Troy State
  - 4-Jacksonville State
- **Northeast**
  - 1-U. Mass.-Lowell
  - 2-Quinnipiac
  - 3-New Haven
  - 4-Mansfield
- **North Central**
  - 1-Indiana (PA)
  - 2-Mankato State
  - 3-St. Joseph’s (IN)
  - 4-Lewis
- **West**
  - 1-Cal. State-Sacramento
  - 2-Cal. Poly-Pomona

#### 1989
- **South Atlantic**
  - 1-Armstrong State
  - 2-Northern Kentucky
  - 3-Bellarmine
- **South**
  - 1-Florida Southern
  - 2-Tampa
  - 3-Rollins
- **South Central**
  - 1-North Alabama
  - 2-Jacksonville State
  - 3-Delta State
- **Northeast**
  - 1-New Haven
  - 2-Springfield
  - 3-Adelphi
- **North Central**
  - 1-Lewis
  - 2-Mankato State
  - 3-Southern Indiana
- **Central**
  - 1-Central Missouri
  - 2-SIU-Edwardsville
  - 3-N.W. Missouri State
- **West**
  - 1-Cal. State-Sacramento
  - 2-Cal. Poly-San Luis Obispo
  - 3-San Francisco State

#### 1990
- **South Atlantic**
  - 1-Armstrong State
  - 2-Columbus
  - 3-Northern Kentucky
- **South**
  - 1-Florida Southern
  - 2-Rollins
  - 3-Tampa
- **South Central**
  - 1-Jacksonville State
  - 2-Troy State
  - 3-Missouri Southern State
- **North Atlantic**
  - 1-Indiana (PA)
  - 2-Philadelphia Textile
  - 3-Norfolk State
- **Northeast**
  - 1-New Haven
  - 2-Sacred Heart
  - 3-Merimack
- **North Central**
  - 1-Lewis
  - 2-Mankato State
  - 3-Ferris State
- **Central**
  - 1-SIU-Edwardsville
  - 2-Central Missouri
  - 3-South Dakota State
- **West**
  - 1-Cal. State-Northridge
  - 2-UC-Riverside
  - 3-UC-Davis

#### 1991
- **South Atlantic**
  - 1-Armstrong State
  - 2-Longwood
  - 3-North Alabama
- **South**
  - 1-Florida Southern
  - 2-Tampa
  - 3-Florida Tech
- **South Central**
  - 1-Delta State
  - 2-Jacksonville State
  - 3-Troy State
- **North Atlantic**
  - 1-Slippery Rock
  - 2-Mercyhurst
  - 3-Shippensburg
- **Northeast**
  - 1-American International
  - 2-U. Mass.-Lowell
  - 3-Sacred Heart
- **North Central**
  - 1-St. Mary’s (IN)
  - 2-St. Cloud
  - 3-Three Rivers
- **Central**
  - 1-Missouri Southern State
  - 2-Central Missouri
  - 3-Regis (CO)
- **West**
  - 1-Cal. Poly-San Luis Obispo
  - 2-Sonoma State
  - 3-UC-Riverside

34/100 AASU has had 67 All-Region players in the past 13 years
Chris Tidwell earned All-America honors en route to helping the Pirates to their 1994 South Atlantic Regional championship and their third DII World Series berth.
1998
South Atlantic
1-Kennesaw State
2-Armstrong Atlantic
3-Mount Olive
4-Columbus State
South
1-Tampa
2-Presbyterian
3-Barry
4-Florida Southern
South Central
1-West Georgia
2-Texas A&M-Kingsville
3-Alabama-Huntsville
4-Tarleton State
North Atlantic
1-Millersville
2-Slippery Rock
3-West Virginia State
4-West Liberty
Northeast
1-Mass-Lowell
2-Queens
3-New Haven
4-Bryant
North Central
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2-Missouri-St. Louis
3-Indianapolis
4-St. Joseph’s
Central
1-Central Missouri State
2-Winona State
3-Northern Colorado
4-Pittsburg State
West
1-Fort Hays State
2-Cal. State L.A.
3-Cal. State Chico
4-Sonoma State

1999
South Atlantic
1-North Florida
2-Mount Olive
3-Kennesaw State
4-Armstrong Atlantic
South
1-Florida Southern
2-Carson-Newman
3-Saint Leo
4-Savannah State
South Central
1-North Alabama
2-SE Oklahoma State
3-Delta State
4-Alabama-Huntsville
North Atlantic
1-Kutztown
2-West Virginia State
3-Slippery Rock
4-Sonoma State
Northeast
1-Mass-Lowell
2-Concordia
3-Adelphi
4-Merrimack
North Central
1-Quincy
2-Ashland
3-Indianapolis
4-St. Joseph’s
Central
1-Central Missouri State
2-Minnesota State Mankato
3-Pittsburg State
4-Rockhurst
West
1-Mesa State
2-Sonoma State
3-Cal. State Chico
4-Fort Hays State

2000
South Atlantic
1-North Florida
2-Mount Olive
3-Georgia College & State
4-Kennesaw State
South
1-Tampa
2-Florida Southern
3-Gardner-Webb
4-Saint Leo
South Central
1-Abilene Christian
2-Delta State
3-SE Oklahoma State
4-Alabama-Huntsville
North Atlantic
1-West Virginia State
2-Shippensburg
3-Millersville
4-Slippery Rock
Northeast
1-Mass-Lowell
2-Stonehill
3-Concordia
4-Saint Rose
North Central
1-Mercyhurst
2-Saginaw Valley State
3-Ashland
4-Indianapolis
Central
1-Central Missouri State
2-Rockhurst
3-Winona State
4-Minnesota State Mankato
West
1-Cal. State Chico
2-Fort Hays State
3-Grand Canyon
4-Texas Wesleyan

The 1988 Armstrong State squad advanced to the NCAA Division II World Series and set NCAA Division II records for most grand slams in a season (9) and most home runs in an inning (5).

Brent Korn avoids a Georgia Tech Yellowjackets slide in the Pirates’ 1988 contest at Georgia Tech. AASU finished the 1988 season ranked No. 4 in the nation in NCAA Division II and ranked in the Top 6 nationally in pitching, scoring and fielding.

36 AASU is one of four teams that have been No. 1 regional seeds five times since 1988
Winningest DII Teams (Since 1983)


1. Florida Southern .......................... 815
2. Armstrong Atlantic ......................... 772
3. Southwestern Oklahoma St. ................ 739
4. USC Aiken .................................. 679
   Lewis ...................................... 679
5. Georgia College & State ................... 667
7. Mansfield ................................ 546
8. Florida Southern ............................ 12
9. Central Missouri State .................... 11

**Armstrong Atlantic State** ............... 9

**NEW HAVEN** ................................ 8
**Delta State** ................................. 8
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**Troy State** ................................ 4


Tampa .......................................... 12
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* Denotes School Is Now Classified As NCAA Division I

The 1989 Armstrong State Pirates finished the season with a No. 1 seed in the South Atlantic region, advancing to their second straight NCAA DII World Series, and also finished the season ranked No. 1 in the NCAA Division II Top 25 Poll.

AASU won the South Atlantic Regional in 1988, 1989 and 1994 to reach the World Series
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### AASU as NCAA II National Statistical Leaders:

- 1980 - Earned Run Average (2.23)
- 1988 - Final National Poll Ranking
- 1989 - Final National Poll Ranking
- 1989 - Most Runs, (541)
- 1989 - Most Hits, (654)
- 1990 - Runs, Average, (9.71)
- 1990 - Most Runs, (544)
- 1990 - Doubles, Average, (2.50)
- 1990 - Most Doubles, (140)
- 1990 - Most Triples, (39)
- 1990 - Most Total Bases, (1.074)
- 1992 - Most Doubles, (140)
- 1992 - Earned Run Average, (2.33)
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- 1993 - Runs, Average, (9.58)
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### Pirates as NCAA II National Statistical Leaders:

- 1986 - Charlie Broad, 26 2B (yr)
- 1992 - Daryle Gavlick, 124 strikeouts (yr)
- 1993 - Steve Young, 72 runs (yr)
- 1993 - Steve Young, 63 walks (yr)
- 1994 - Deron Spink, 61 walks (yr)
Two more former Pirate baseball players - Mark Mamalakis and Dana Harding - were inducted into the Armstrong Atlantic State Athletic Hall of Fame on February 10, 2001, bringing the total number of baseball inductees to 12 - 11 former players and one coach.

Below is a capsule of all of the baseball AASU Athletic Hall of Famers (year of induction in parenthesis):

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<td>Chad Armstrong</td>
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<td>Two-time All-America in 1989 and 1990, Chad led the Pirates to two No. 1 rankings. The epitome of a leadoff hitter, Armstrong reached base in all 56 games the Pirates played in 1990.</td>
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<td>Charlie Broad</td>
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<td>The only player to have his number retired (#13), Charlie concluded a four-year career in 1987 with 25 school records and still is the Pirates’ all-time leader in career hits, runs scored and runs batted in.</td>
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<td>Tommy Bungardner</td>
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<td>AASU’s all-time leader in innings pitched, Tommy’s 11 career shutouts are still the second most in NCAA Division II history, AASU’s second baseball All-America honoree, Tommy pitched from 1973-76.</td>
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<td>Tommy Cannon</td>
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<td>Twin brother of Bobby, Tommy also played two sports for the Pirates in 1966-67. A left-handed pitcher with a devastating pickoff move, Tommy also earned All-Conference honors in 1967.</td>
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<td>Bill Gearhart</td>
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<td>The only AASU player to be drafted twice, Bill pitched for the Pirates in 1987 and 1988, compiling a 22-3 career record. He was the Big South Conference’s Pitcher of the year in 1987 when he went 10-0.</td>
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<td>Dana Harding</td>
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<td>The Pirates’ most decorated power hitter, Dana played in 1987 and 1988 and still holds the AASU record for most home runs in a career (39) and season (28). DII All-America honoree in 1988.</td>
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<td>Mark Mamalakis</td>
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<td>A 16-year-old freshman in 1970, Mark played four years for the Pirates and was the team MVP in 1971 and an NAIA All-District player in 1973. He still holds the record for steals in one game (7).</td>
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<td>Danny Sims</td>
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<td>Two-sport star and President’s Cup winner as a senior in 1968, leading the Pirates in hitting (.322), Danny played basketball and baseball while AASU made the transition from junior college to four-year school.</td>
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<td>Mike Mitchener</td>
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<td>The highest draft pick ever in AASU history, Mitchener left the Pirates as a junior in 1988 after being taken in the third round by the Chicago White Sox. First-team DII All-America honoree in 1988.</td>
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<td>Dr. Roy Sims</td>
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<td>Long-time coach and administrator for Armstrong, Dr. Sims coached the baseball team from the late 50s to 1967, then served as the Athletic Director twice, from 1955-67 and 1977-86.</td>
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The story has been well documented since his major league debut on August 1 against Anaheim - how Adam Bernero, a non-drafted senior from Armstrong Atlantic State signed a professional contract with scout Gary York on a napkin at Denny’s following the Pirates’ elimination in the 1999 South Atlantic Regional in Jacksonville, Fla. But the first-team All-Region pitcher’s rapid rise through the Detroit organization has been the bigger story. Just 15 months after signing that napkin, Adam Bernero found himself starting a game in the major leagues. Adam pitched 5.2 innings at Anaheim, in front of dozens of friends and family for the San Jose, Calif., native, holding the Angels to five hits and two runs while striking out five, including the game’s leadoff hitter, Darin Erstad. Adam made four starts for the Tigers and pitched in 12 games overall and is slated to be a part of Detroit’s staff in 2001.

**Adam Bernero**

**AASU’s First Major Leaguer**

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**Adam Bernero's Game-By-Game 2000 Statistics**

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**TOTALS**

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Of the 1999 professional signees, Adam Bernero was the second quickest to the Majors

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**Pirates In The Pros**

**Pirates Who Have Signed Professional Contracts**

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The Pirates hit a national-best 39 triples during the 1990 season.
Historic Savannah, Georgia, is located on the Atlantic Coast, at the confluence of the Savannah River and the Atlantic Ocean. Throughout its history, there has been one adjective consistently used to describe Savannah: beautiful.

The reason? There’s something about the unique beauty of Savannah that cannot be forgotten. Streets with canopies of moss-laden trees are honored venues for scores of historic homes. The town squares that Savannah’s founding father, James Oglethorpe, laid out as public meeting places are now treasured “pocket parks” located throughout the downtown area.

A renovated waterfront area serves as the hub for shopping and entertainment. Nearby sandy beaches draw streams of visitors with persistent cool breezes and the endless lure of the rolling sea. Finally, there’s an indescribable - but readily discernible - feeling in the air that pervades Savannah, a kind of “laid back” approach to the world, a “rootedness” that makes living or working in Savannah an experience second to none.

By way of affirmation, *Le Monde*, the leading French newspaper, called Savannah “the most beautiful city in North America.”

Savannah has recently captured the imagination of a nation through its history and its appearance in several feature films, including “Glory,” “Forrest Gump,” “Something to Talk About,” “Midnight In The Garden of Good and Evil” and the recently released film “The Legend of Bagger Vance” starring Will Smith and Matt Damon. As a result, tourism has become one of the major industries - if not the leading industry - in the Savannah Area.

Savannah hosts over six million tourists each year. Tourism impacts the Savannah area by over $634 million. The city boasts over 7,000 rooms and more than 100 restaurants as folks have learned that Savannah is more than just a convenient rest stop on the interstate to Florida.

The population in Savannah is roughly 130,000 and Chatham County is the fifth most populous county in the state of Georgia.

Savannah also sits centrally located to some of the southeast’s finest beaches. Tybee Island, located less than 30 minutes from Armstrong Atlantic State’s campus, offers six miles of unspoiled sands, tempting seafood and gracious accommodations. Resort areas such as Hilton Head, South Carolina, are less than one hour away and provide even more relaxing getaway options.

Whether it’s the lure of historical settings, the friendliness of a southern community or the beautiful climate of southeast Georgia, Savannah is the place for you.
Mike Mitchener
1988-1st Team-DH

Bill Gearhart
1988-1st Team-P

Dana Harding
1988-3rd Team-3B

Calvain Culberson
1988-HM-OF

Chad Armstrong
1989-1st Team-OF

John Middlebrooks
1989-HM-C

Steve Russell
1989-HM-2B

Brad Squibb
1989-HM-1B

Chuck Thompson
1989-HM-P

Chad Armstrong
1990-2nd Team-OF

Paul Krafft
1990-3rd Team-P

Steve Russell
1990-3rd Team-2B

Brad Squibb
1990-3rd Team-1B

John Middlebrooks
1990-HM-3B

Larry Owens
1990-HM-P

Eric Chavez
1991-3rd Team-3B

Bret Donovan
1991-HM-P

Pete Richter
1991-HM-OF

Bill Schmidt
1991-HM-P

Eric Chavez
1992-1st Team-3B

All-American Mike Mitchener was the first pick of the third round of the 1988 draft
Daryle Gavlick
1992-1st Team-P

Roman Miestowski
1992-1st Team-1B

Steve Young
1992-2nd Team-OF

Chris Milisits
1993-2nd Team-C

Scott DeHaven
1993-3rd Team-OF

John Booker
1993-3rd Team-1B

Steve Young
1993-HM-OF

Daryll Boyd
1993-HM-P

Larry Vrtiska
1993-HM-P

Dave McLaughlin
1994-1st Team-OF

Tony Kunka
1994-3rd Team-OF

Chris Tidwell
1994-HM-P

Doug Louthan
1995-HM-P

Jeff Agard
1996-HM-P

South Atlantic Region MVP and 1988 First-Team All-American Mike Mitchener pitches the Pirates into the World Series over Columbus in 1988. Mitchener is also a member of the AASU Athletic Hall of Fame.

All-American Bill Gearhart was drafted in 1987 (10th round) and 1988 (12th round)
AASU Opponents

Bryant

Thurs., Mar. 15  2:00 p.m.

Location: Smithfield, RI
Enrollment: 2,500
Nickname: Bulldogs
Colors: Black and Gold
Conference: Northeast 10
2000 Record: 29-19

Head Coach: Jon Sjogren
Phone: (401) 232-6397
SID: Chuck Sullivan
Phone: (401) 232-6072
Fax: (401) 232-6361
Web: www.bryant.edu

Co-Northeast 10 Conference
Champions In 2000
Region Top 5 Last 3 Years

Concord

Tues., Mar. 13  2:00 p.m.

Location: Athens, WV
Enrollment: 2,500
Nickname: Mountain Lions
Colors: Maroon and Gray
Conference: WVIAC
2000 Record: 33-12

Head Coach: Kevin Garrett
Phone: (304) 384-5347
SID: TBA
Phone: (304) 384-5347
Fax: (304) 384-5117
Web: athletics.concord.edu
School-Record 33 Wins
In 2000, 5th In Region
P Kevin McClung 4th In
ERA (1.76) In NCAA II

Gardner-Webb

Sat., Feb. 3  11:30 a.m.

Location: Boiling Spgs., NC
Enrollment: 3,300
Nickname: Bulldogs
Colors: Scarlet, Black, White
Conference: Independent
2000 Record: 44-21

Head Coach: Clyde Miller
Phone: (704) 406-4343
SID: Thomas A. Goodwin
Phone: (704) 406-4355
Fax: (704) 406-4739
Web: www.gardner-webb.edu
NCAA II World Series
Participant In 2000 - In
Transition To Division I

Grand Valley State

Thurs., Mar. 8  2:00 p.m.

Location: Allendale, MI
Enrollment: 16,000
Nickname: Lakers
Colors: Blue, White, Black
Conference: GLIAC
2000 Record: 32-17

Head Coach: Steve Lyon
Phone: (616) 895-3584
SID: Tim Nott
Phone: (616) 895-3249
Fax: (616) 895-3232
Web: www.gvsu.edu
Leading Returnee Is OF
Dustin Vugteveen - 1st Team
All-North Central Region

Hillsdale

Tues., Mar. 20  2:00 p.m.

Location: Hillsdale, MI
Enrollment: 1,200
Nickname: Chargers
Colors: Royal Blue & White
Conference: GLIAC
2000 Record: 15-36

Head Coach: Paul Noce
Phone: (517) 437-7341
SID: Greg Younger
Phone: (517) 437-7364
Fax: (517) 437-0014
Web: www.hillsdale.edu
Coach Noce Played In The
 Majors For The Chicago
Cubs

Kutztown

Fri., Mar. 23  2:00 p.m.

Location: Kutztown, PA
Enrollment: 7,800
Nickname: Golden Bears
Colors: Maroon and Gold
Conference: PSAC
2000 Record: 26-24

Head Coach: Matt Royer
Phone: (610) 683-4063
SID: Josh Leiboff
Phone: (610) 683-4182
Fax: (610) 683-1379
Web: www.kutztown.edu
Golden Bears Have Had Six
Straight Winning Seasons
Won PSAC and No. 1
Region Seed In 1999

NW Missouri St.

Thurs., Mar. 1  2:00 p.m.

Location: Maryville, MO
Enrollment: 5,850
Nickname: Bearcats
Colors: Green and White
Conference: MIAA
2000 Record: 25-30

Head Coach: Darin Loe
Phone: (660) 562-1352
SID: Andy Seeley
Phone: (660) 562-1118
Fax: (660) 562-1582
Web: www.nwmissouri.edu
OF Adam Bailey - 2nd Team
NCAA DII All-America
.417 BA, 18 HR, .818 SLG

Queens

Wed., Feb. 28  2:00 p.m.

Location: Flushing, NY
Enrollment: 15,600
Nickname: Knights
Colors: Black and Red
Conference: NYCAC
2000 Record: 17-19

Coach: Hiroyuki Yamada
Phone: (718) 997-2781
SID: Neal Kaufer
Phone: (718) 997-2758
Fax: (718) 997-2799
Web: www.qc.edu
QC Won NYAC And
Advanced To Northeast
Regional In 1998

Eight of AASU’s 2001 Opponents advanced to the DII World Series in the last decade