



# Florida Basketball

team information

## Florida Facts

Location.....Gainesville, Fla.  
 Founded ..... 1853  
 Enrollment ..... 52,112  
 Conference..... Southeastern  
 Division..... East  
 Nickname..... Gators  
 Colors ..... Orange and Blue  
 Arena..... Stephen C. O'Connell  
 ..... Center (12,000)  
 Seasons.....90 (entering 91)  
 Overall Record..... 1,192-1,002  
 SEC Record..... 526-593  
 NCAA Tournaments ..... 14  
 Final Fours..... 4  
 National Titles ..... 2  
 NIT Tournaments ..... 9  
 SEC Championships ..... 4  
 SEC Tournament Titles..... 3  
 All-Americans ..... 21  
 All-SEC ..... 87  
 Academic All-SEC ..... 81  
 NBA Draftees..... 31

## 2009-10 Overview

Lettermen Returning..... 10  
 Lettermen Lost..... 3  
 Starters Returning ..... 4  
 Starters Lost ..... 2  
 Newcomers..... 3

## 2008-09 Results

Overall Record..... 25-11  
 SEC Record..... 9-7 (3rd, East)  
 SEC Tournament ..... 1-1  
 (Quarterfinals)  
 NIT Tournament ..... 2-1  
 (Quarterfinals)  
 Leading Scorer ..... Calathes  
 Leading Rebounder..... Tyus  
 Leading 3-Ptrs. .... Calathes  
 Leading Assists..... Calathes  
 Leading Steals..... Calathes  
 Leading Blocks ..... Tyus

## Roster

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## Staff

President ..... Dr. Bernie Machen  
 Athletics Director ..... Jeremy Foley  
 Head Coach..... Billy Donovan (Providence, '87)  
 ..... 14th season at UF (16th as a head coach)  
 ..... 310-126 (.711) overall; 128-80 SEC (.615) at Florida  
 ..... 345-146 (.703) all-time; 146-90 conference  
 Associate Head Coach ..... Larry Shyatt (College of Wooster, '73)  
 Assistant Coaches..... Rob Lanier (St. Bonaventure, '90), Richard Pitino (Providence, '05)  
 Strength & Conditioning Coordinator..... Matt Herring  
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## What's Back

Category	Pct.
Games Started	58.8 (106 of 180)
Min. Played	65.9 (4,748 of 7,200)
Field Goals	66.1 (673 of 1029)
3-Pt. FGs	54.8 (161 of 294)
Free Throws	59.8 (383 of 641)
Rebounds	76.1 (939 of 1,234)
Assists	46.3 (280 of 605)
Steals	56.8 (167 of 294)
Blocks	87.6 (85 of 97)
Points	63.6 (1,765 of 2,774)

## Returning Leaders

Points Per Game	Tyus (12.5)
Field Goals	Tyus (195)
Field Goal Pct.	Tyus (.591)
3-Pt FGs	Walker (70)
3-Pt Pct.	Walker (43.4)
Free Throws	Walker (62)
Free Throw Pct.	Werner (.791)
Reb. Per Game	Tyus (6.2)
Assists Per Game	Walker (2.4)
Blocks Per Game	Tyus (0.8)
Steals Per Game	Werner (1.2)

## UF By The Numbers...

**+1.4** ... UF led the SEC and finished seventh in the nation in assist-to-turnover ratio, posting a +1.4 mark on the year

**8.1** ...The Gators return 8.1 offensive rebounds per game (of their 11.1 a year ago)

**10** ...Florida returns 10 scholarship players, its most since also returning 10 players prior to the start of the 2006-07 campaign (eight are scholarship players)

**12.1** ...Florida finished the year turning the ball over just 12.1 times per game, the second fewest total in school history and the fewest ever by a Billy Donovan-coached team

**25** ...Florida finished with 25 wins last season, the fourth time in the last seven years they've finished with 25+ wins...The total was tied for the fifth-highest in school history

## Under the Radar

Florida enters the 2009-10 season in the flying under the radar. After back-to-back appearances in the NIT and the departure of leading scorer Nick Calathes, the Gators returned to the gym early and often in an effort to carve out a new identity for 2009-10.

What they've found through the summer is a blue collar bond and a group prepared grind out the rigors of the long season. And they've found greater numbers, and more players surfacing in their natural positions. While they lost one of the great point guards in school history, Erving Walker, who played primarily off the ball in 2008-09, slides over to the point. The Gator frontcourt will benefit from the addition of transfer Vernon Macklin, who spent a year in the system red-shirting and now gives UF the wide body at center it so sorely missed a year ago. His presence allows Dan Werner and Alex Tyus to slide back and play their more natural positions of small forward and power forward.

Another year of seasoning for Chandler Parsons, Ray Shipman, Kenny Kadji and Eloy Vargas, as well as the return of Adam Allen who miss all of last year, gives the Gators a combination of size, strength, shooting and experience. Explosive freshman guard Kenny Boynton and promising freshman forward Erik Murphy give the Gators their most versatility and deepest roster in several years.

Under the radar and back to basics. The Gators have options at every position, a balance it lacked a year ago, budding chemistry, and size to match the ability to knock down shots from the perimeter. More complete and more focused, the 2009-10 Gators will have as many options as dimensions.

## Position-By-Position Outlook

### Perimeter

Erving Walker, So., 5-8/171, Brooklyn, N.Y.  
 Kenny Boynton, Fr., 6-2/183, Pompano Beach, Fla.  
 Ray Shipman, So., 6-5/210, Miramar, Fla.  
 Adam Allen, So., 6-8/222, Milton, Fla.  
 Chandler Parsons, Jr., 6-9/215, Casselberry, Fla.  
 Dan Werner, Sr., 6-8/230, Middletown, N.J.

Florida brings the perfect compliment of youth, experience, size and quickness on the perimeter, ranging from 5-8 lightning bug point guard Erving Walker to lineups that will include 6-9 Chandler Parsons at the two guard. Walker moves over to the point after playing primarily off the ball as a member of the SEC's All-Freshman team. He knocked down 70 three-pointers a year ago, second on the squad and the most by a Gator freshman since Anthony Roberson hit 74 in 2002-03. Walker is joined in the backcourt by McDonald's All-American Kenny Boynton, one of the most decorated players to ever come out of South Florida. Boynton averaged 33.0 points per game at American Heritage last year and has tremendous range, but also the underrated ability to lock down and defend. Ray Shipman returns for his sophomore season after showing tremendous promise, particularly as the season



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went on a year ago. With quick hands, many of his points came in buckets in transition off steals. He is among the most athletic players on the Gator roster and his perimeter game gained confidence as the season went along. Adam Allen hopes to make a successful return after missing the entire 2008-09 season. Allen hit 43 percent from three-point range as a freshman, and at 6-8, is able to stretch defenses with his ability to step out and hit threes, much like Parsons and Dan Werner.

## Interior

Dan Werner, Sr., 6-8/230, Middletown, N.J.  
 Alex Tyus, Jr., 6-8/220, St. Louis, Mo.  
 Vernon Macklin, 6-10/240, Portsmouth, Va.  
 Chandler Parsons, Jr., 6-9/215, Casselberry, Fla.  
 Kenny Kadji, So., 6-10/248, Douala, Cameroon  
 Eloy Vargas, So., 6-10/215, Moca, Dominican Republic  
 Erik Murphy, Fr., 6-9/217, South Kingstown, R.I.

The Gators enter the 2009-10 season with a wealth of options in the frontcourt and the ability to play more players in their natural positions. The addition of redshirt junior center Vernon Macklin will enable the Gators to slide Alex Tyus back to the more comfortable power forward spot and have Dan Werner see more time at small forward. Macklin is a wide-framed, long, athletic body the Gators lacked a year ago, giving them a more natural center. Tyus played very well as an undersized center a year ago, leading UF in rebounding, but should benefit from more time at the more natural power forward spot. Werner has played a bit of everything during his time in Gainesville and will be able to play forward spots for the Gators. He can step out and shoot threes, but also finished second on the Gators in rebounding with over 6.0 per game his sophomore season. Chandler Parsons has spent time at both forward spots over his first two years and has added muscle in the off-season to help add to his 5.7 rebounds per game a year ago. The continued development of bigs Kenny Kadji and Eloy Vargas will be critical to the Gators' depth at the power forward and center spots, as both stand 6-10 and can give UF a tremendous height advantage. Freshman Erik Murphy brings a combination of talents, with the ability to step back and knock down shots from the perimeter, while bang down low and provide rebounding.

**28** ...Alex Tyus led UF with 28 blocked shots a year ago, as he and Kenny Kadji combined for 52

**41.9** ...Erving Walker led all UF three-point shooters at 41.9 percent, the best by a UF freshman since Lee Humphrey set the Gator freshman record at 43.9 percent in 2003-04.

**69** ...Florida has won 69 games at home over the last four years (69-8), the most in a four-year period in UF history and second in the nation in that time

**70** ...Erving Walker knocked down 70 three-pointers a year ago, just three shy of the team lead and the most by a UF freshman since Anthony Roberson hit 74 in 2002-03

**78.0** ...Dan Werner has hit 78.0 percent from the free throw line over the past two years, including a team-high 79.1 last season

**261** ...Florida's 261 wins during the decade of the 2000s rank fifth in the nation and tops in the SEC

**294** ... The Gators hit 294 three-pointers a year ago, the second-best in school history and three shy of the school record of 297 (2006-07)...UF has hit at least 275 three-pointers four consecutive seasons



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21	Dan Werner	F	6-8	230	Sr.	3L	8.9/4.9
23	Alex Tyus	F/C	6-8	220	Jr.	2L	12.5/6.2
25	Chandler Parsons	F	6-9	213	Jr.	2L	9.2/5.7

## Starters Lost: 2

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Exp.	Last Season
15	Walter Hodge	G	6-0	170	Sr.	4L	8.9/2.3a
33	Nick Calathes	G	6-6	194	So.	2L	17.2/6.4a

## Others Returning: 6

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Exp.	Last Season
14	Adam Allen	F	6-8	225	So.	1L	Redshirt
30	Kenny Kadji	F/C	6-1-	245	So.	1L	4.4/2.7
3	Ray Shipman	G/F	6-5	212	So.	1L	3.8/2.1
1	Eloy Vargas	F/C	6-10	215	So.	1L	0.6/0.7
20	Kyle McClanahan	G	6-1	185	So.	1L	0.6/0.3
40	Hudson Fricke	G	6-1	193	Jr.	2L	0.0/0.0

## Others Lost: 1

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Exp.	Last Season
24	Allan Chaney	F	6-8	231	Fr.	1L	3.0/2.1

## First-Year Players: 3

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32	Vernon Macklin*	F/C	6-10	240	Jr.	TR	3.4/2.1*
4	Kenny Boynton	G	6-2	187	Fr.	HS	
33	Erik Murphy	F	6-9	217	Fr.	HS	

\* redshirted in 2008-09; totals are from 2007-08 w/Georgetown

## Freshmen (2)

Kenny Boynton  
Erik Murphy

## Sophomores (6)

Adam Allen  
Kenny Kadji  
Kyle McClanahan  
Ray Shipman  
Eloy Vargas  
Erving Walker

## Juniors (4)

Hudson Fricke  
Vernon Macklin\*  
Chandler Parsons  
Alex Tyus

## Seniors (1)

Dan Werner