



# VIRGINIA TECH

## 2021 WOMEN'S SOCCER



11 NCAA APPEARANCES / COLLEGE CUP: 2013 / 24 ALL-ACC SELECTIONS / 3 ALL-AMERICANS / 2 NWSL DRAFT PICKS

### THE MATCHUP

#### VIRGINIA TECH HOKIES

2-0-0, 0-0-0 ACC

**Head coach:** Charles "Chugger" Adair (San Diego, '93)  
**Career record:** 128-62-20 (11th season)  
**Record at Virginia Tech:** 128-62-20 (11th season)  
**Record vs. Elon:** 1-0-0

VS

#### ELON PHOENIX

1-1-0, 0-0-0 CAA

**Head coach:** Neil Payne (Coastal Carolina, '96)  
**Career record:** 22-21-6 (fourth season)  
**Record at Elon:** 22-21-6 (fourth season)  
**Record vs. Virginia Tech:** 0-0-0

MATCH 3 | VIRGINIA TECH vs. ELON - AUG. 26, 2021 | 7 PM | ACCNX | BLACKSBURG, VA. | THOMPSON FIELD (2,028)

### 2021 FIXTURES

RECORD	2-0-0
ACC	0-0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	2-0-0
HOME	2-0-0
AWAY	0-0-0
NEUTRAL	0-0-0

Day	Date	Opponent	TV	Time/Result
Sun.	Aug. 8	Loyola (Md.) <sup>EXH</sup>	--	W, 2-0
Thu.	Aug. 12	Richmond <sup>EXH</sup>	--	W, 2-0
Thu.	Aug. 19	Liberty	ACCNX	W, 3-0
Sun.	Aug. 22	William & Mary	ACCNX	W, 1-0
Thu.	Aug. 26	Elon	ACCNX	7 p.m.
Sun.	Aug. 29	at Cincinnati	ESPN+	1 p.m.

Thu.	Sept. 2	at James Madison <sup>JMU</sup>	--	5 p.m.
Sun.	Sept. 5	vs. Santa Clara <sup>JMU</sup>	--	11 a.m.
Thu.	Sept. 9	Villanova	ACCNX	5 p.m.
Sun.	Sept. 12	at South Carolina	--	5 p.m.
Sat.	Sept. 18	North Carolina State <sup>*</sup>	ACCNX	7 p.m.
Thu.	Sept. 23	at North Carolina <sup>*</sup>	ACCNX	7 p.m.
Sun.	Sept. 26	Duke <sup>*</sup>	ACCN	5 p.m.

Sat.	Oct. 2	at Pittsburgh <sup>*</sup>	ACCNX	7 p.m.
Thu.	Oct. 7	at Clemson <sup>*</sup>	ACCN	8 p.m.
Sun.	Oct. 10	at Wake Forest <sup>*</sup>	ACCN	5 p.m.
Fri.	Oct. 15	Florida State <sup>*</sup>	RSN	5 p.m.
Thu.	Oct. 21	Miami <sup>*</sup>	ACCNX	7 p.m.
Sun.	Oct. 24	Boston College <sup>*</sup>	ACCNX	12 p.m.
Thu.	Oct. 28	at Syracuse <sup>*</sup>	ACCNX	7 p.m.

All times Eastern  
<sup>\*</sup> - ACC Match  
 ACC - 2021 ACC Women's Soccer Championship (TBA)  
 EXH - Exhibition  
 JMU - Fairfield by Marriott Invitational (Harrisonburg, Va.)

### THE SERIES

**Matches played:** 3  
**Virginia Tech record:** 3-0-0  
**Home:** 2-0-0  
**Away:** 1-0-0  
**Neutral:** 0-0-0  
**Tech streak:** Won three  
**First meeting:** Sept. 16, 2007 • H • W, 3-0  
**Last meeting:** Aug. 28, 2011 • H • W, 5-0  
**Last Tech win:** Aug. 28, 2011 • H • W, 5-0



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#### QUICK COMPARISON

2-0-0	Record	1-1-0
4 (2.00)	Goals (per match)	2 (1.00)
0.00	Goals Against Avg.	0.50
+4	Goal Differential	+1
7.50	SOG per match	6.50
10.50	Corners per match	8.50



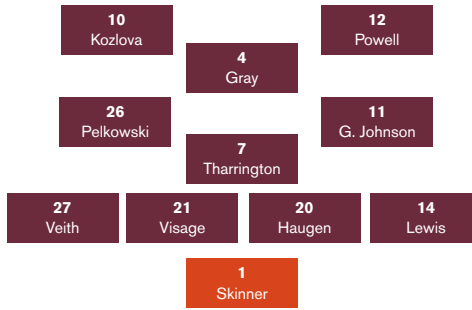
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### STARTING XI - LAST MATCH

#### VIRGINIA TECH

Pos	#	Name	Note
GK	1	Alia Skinner	Back-to-back clean sheets
D	14	Allie Lewis	Two starts, 180 min.
D	20	Victoria Haugen	Two starts, 180 min.
D	21	Averi Visage	Assist vs. Liberty
D	27	Ava Veith	Assist vs. William & Mary
M	4	Emily Gray	T-5th all-time in assists (18)
M	7	Avery Tharrington	
M	11	Gabby Johnson	
M	26	Emma Pelkowski	Header goal vs. Liberty
F	10	Nicole Kozlova	Goal on Senior Night
F	12	Tori Powell	Tech points leader (2 g, 1 a)

#### 4-4-2 Diamond Formation



### KEY STORYLINES

#### TECH OFF TO HOT START

- Virginia Tech is off to its eighth 2-0-0 start under head coach Chugger Adair (third within the last three seasons).
- The Hokies have started 2-0-0 at home for the third time within the last five seasons (2017, 2019).

#### KEEP IT CLEAN

- Virginia Tech has posted consecutive season-opening clean sheets for the fourth time during its program history (all instances under Chugger Adair: 2012, 2014, 2019, 2021).
- The Hokies enter Thursday having last conceded a goal at Thompson Field on Oct. 24, 2020, against Navy - a streak that spans more than 316 goalkeeping minutes. Alia Skinner has been in goal for Tech

for the duration of the home streak (three clean sheets).

#### WITH A WIN ...

- Virginia Tech would be 3-0-0 for the seventh time across Chugger Adair's first 11 seasons as head coach (first time since 2019).
- Tech would extend its home winning streak to five consecutive matches, dating back to Oct. 2020.
- The Hokies would improve to 2-0-0 this season against teams that advanced to the 2020 NCAA tournament (held during the spring of 2021). Tech previously defeated Liberty, 3-0, on Aug. 19.

#### SCOUTING ELON

- Elon is coming off its first-ever CAA title, having defeated the

2020-21 CAA North Division and South Division champions during the league tournament.

- The Phoenix made their second NCAA tournament appearance last spring (1999), receiving the 1-0 loss from Milwaukee in Cary, North Carolina.

• Last season as a true freshman, goalkeeper McKenna Dalfonso recorded the second lowest goals against average in the CAA (0.99). She kept six clean sheets, including four straight leading into Elon's NCAA tournament match.

- Elon is seeking its first win against an ACC opponent since Aug. 31, 2008, against Maryland (1-0).

## QUICK FACTS

### THE BASICS

**University Name:** Virginia Tech  
**Location:** Blacksburg, Va.  
**Founded:** 1872  
**Enrollment:** 36,000  
**President:** Dr. Timothy Sands  
**Director of Athletics:** Whit Babcock  
**Nickname:** Hokies  
**Mascot:** HokieBird  
**Colors:** Chicago Maroon & Burnt Orange  
**Affiliation:** NCAA Division I  
**Conference:** Atlantic Coast (18th Season)

### HOME PITCH

**Thompson Field**  
**Capacity:** 2,028  
**Dimensions:** 75x125 yards  
**Surface:** Natural bluegrass

### TEAM INFORMATION

**2020-21 Record:** 8-9-0  
**Home / Away / Neutral:** 4-3-0 / 4-4-0 / 0-2-0  
**Conference Record:** 4-4-0  
**Home / Away:** 2-2-0 / 2-2-0  
**Conference Finish:** 16th  
**Postseason:** ACC quarterfinals  
**Starters Returning/Lost:** 9/2  
**Lettermen Returning/Lost:** 22/8  
**Newcomers:** 10

**Total seasons:** 29th  
**First season:** 1993  
**All-Time Record:** 280-232-46  
**All-Time ACC Record:** 68-79-23  
**All-Time ACC Tournament Record:** 4-8-2  
**ACC Finals Appearances (Last):** 2 (2013)  
**NCAA Tournament Appearances (Last):** 11 (2019)  
**All-Time NCAA Record:** 12-11-1  
**College Cup Appearances (Last):** 1 (2013)

## MEDIA INFORMATION

### MEDIA ACCESS/CREDENTIALS

Outlets interested in obtaining media access to cover Virginia Tech women's soccer home matches must apply for credentials through **Mike Skovan** (media contact) via email at [miskovan@vt.edu](mailto:miskovan@vt.edu).

All credentials for Virginia Tech home matches during the 2021 season will be issued on a single-match basis. Media seating is extremely limited.

Per Virginia Tech athletic department policy, all media members in attendance must wear a mask regardless of vaccination status when inside the press box or interacting with Virginia Tech student-athletes and coaches.

### INTERVIEW POLICY

**Matchdays:** Virginia Tech head coach Chugger Adair and requested student-athletes will be available to the media after the match following a 10-minute cooling-off period.

**Non-Matchdays:** All coach and student-athlete interview requests need to be arranged through the Virginia Tech Strategic Communications Office - contact **Mike Skovan** by email at [miskovan@vt.edu](mailto:miskovan@vt.edu) or by phone at (845) 204-1777. Student-athletes and coaches should not be contacted directly under any circumstances.

## 2021 VIRGINIA TECH NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Cl.	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown	High School (College)	Previous Club
0	Dare Burnett	R-So.	GK	5-10	Ashburn, Va.	Briar Woods	FC Virginia DA
00	Lauren Hargrove	Fr.	GK	5-9	Richmond, Va.	Douglas S. Freeman	Richmond United ECNL
1	Alia Skinner	So.	GK	5-9	Fleming Island, Fla.	Fleming Island	United Soccer Alliance DA
2	Riley McCarthy	So.	D	5-4	Clifton, Va.	James W. Robinson	FC Virginia DA
3	Kendall Feighan	R-So.	F	5-3	Pleasant Valley, N.Y.	Arlington	New York City FC DA
4	Emily Gray	Sr.	M	5-4	Sewell, N.J.	Washington Township	Penn Fusion DA
5	Aino Vuorinen	Fr.	F	5-4	Espoo, Finland	Haukilahti	FC Honka
6	Makenzie Graham	Jr.	M	5-9	State College, Pa.	State College	Pittsburgh Riverhounds
7	Avery Tharrington	Fr.	M	5-7	Springfield, Va.	South County	BRYC Elite
8	Ayden Yates	So.	F	5-6	Davidson, N.C.	Lake Norman Charter	Charlotte Soccer Academy DA
9	Emma Steigerwald	Sr.	F	5-4	Downingtown, Pa.	Downingtown East	Penn Fusion DA
10	Nicole Kozlova	R-Jr.	F	5-5	Toronto, Ontario	William Lyon Mackenzie C.I.	GS United
11	Gabby Johnson	R-Sr.	M	5-3	Midlothian, Va.	Veritas School (Delaware)	Seattle Sounders WPSL
12	Tori Powell	So.	F	5-9	Haymarket, Va.	Battlefield	FC Virginia DA
13	Karlie Johnson	Sr.	F	5-9	Keller, Texas	Keller	FC Dallas DA
14	Allie Lewis	Fr.	D	5-9	Bloomsburg, Pa.	Bloomsburg	Penn Fusion SA
15	Sophie Maltese	Fr.	F	5-7	Leesburg, Va.	Briar Woods	McLean ECNL
16	Erin Carleton	So.	M	5-8	Powder Springs, Ga.	Hillgrove	Concorde Fire Platinum ECNL
17	Maddy Baucom	So.	D	5-7	Waxhaw, N.C.	Marvin Ridge	NC Fusion ECNL
18	Lauren Gogal	Fr.	M/D	5-9	Annandale, Va.	Northern Virginia CC	Virginia Developmental Academy
19	Holly Rose Weber	R-So.	M	5-6	Springfield, Va.	Bishop Ireton	McLean ECNL
20	Victoria Haugen	So.	D	5-7	Bristow, Va.	Patriot	FC Virginia DA
21	Averi Visage	So.	D	5-10	Acworth, Ga.	Harrison	Concorde Fire Platinum ECNL
22	Taylor Bryan	So.	F	5-5	Brooklyn, N.Y.	Xaverian	Fury FC DA
23	Kate Bonshak	So.	F	5-4	Whitehall, Pa.	Whitehall	Lehigh Valley United
24	Emmalee McCarter	Sr.	F/M	5-6	Charleston, S.C.	James Island Charter	South Carolina United FC
25	Calista Heister	Jr.	F	5-7	Olean, N.Y.	Olean	WNY Flash Academy ECNL
26	Emma Pelkowski	Fr.	M	5-7	West Chester, Pa.	Bayard Rustin	Penn Fusion SA
27	Ava Veith	So.	D	5-9	Williamsburg, Va.	Bruton	Richmond United ECNL
28	Victoria Moser	Fr.	F/D	5-8	Greensboro, N.C.	Walter Hines Page	NC Fusion
30	S.A. Phillips	R-Jr.	GK	5-7	Pawleys Island, S.C.	Waccamaw	South Carolina United FC
32	Allie George	Fr.	F	5-11	Louisville, Ky.	Sacred Heart Academy	Javanon FC

## COACHING & SUPPORT STAFF

**Head Coach:** Charles "Chugger" Adair (San Diego, '93), 11th season as head coach  
**Associate Head Coach:** Drew Kopp (Pittsburgh, '99), 10th season  
**Assistant Coach:** Matt Gwilliam (Elizabethtown, '01), seventh season  
**Director of Operations:** Macaulay Soto (Messiah, '16), fifth season  
**Strength & Conditioning:** Brandon Dillard  
**Athletic Trainer:** Emily Whitaker  
**Creative Communications:** Mike Skovan

## PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

<b>0</b> - Dare Burnett	DAIR
<b>1</b> - Alia Skinner	ah-LEE-ah
<b>3</b> - Kendall Feighan	FAY-in
<b>5</b> - Aino Vuorinen	AYE-no WORR-in-en (rolled 'r')
<b>7</b> - Avery Tharrington	THAIR-ing-ton
<b>8</b> - Ayden Yates	AID-en
<b>9</b> - Emma Steigerwald	STY-gurr-wald
<b>10</b> - Nicole Kozlova	koz-LOW-vah
<b>15</b> - Sophie Maltese	mahl-TEECE
<b>17</b> - Maddy Baucom	BOW-kum
<b>18</b> - Lauren Gogal	GO-goal
<b>20</b> - Victoria Haugen	HOW-gen
<b>21</b> - Averi Visage	VIS-idge
<b>23</b> - Kate Bonshak	BON-shack
<b>25</b> - Calista Heister	cah-LISS-tah HY-stir
<b>27</b> - Ava Veith	VYTH ('eye' sound)
<b>28</b> - Victoria Moser	MOH-zer
<b>AC</b> - Matt Gwilliam	GWILL-um

## SERIES DOMINANCE

• Virginia Tech owns the +9 all-time goal differential against Elon, having prevailed 3-0, 2-1 and 5-0.

## GRAY MOVES UP TECH ALL-TIME ASSISTS LIST

• Emily Gray assisted twice during Virginia Tech's season-opening victory against Liberty (Aug. 19) - both off set pieces she initiated.

• Gray, who was named to the 2020-21 *United Soccer Coaches* All-Atlantic Region Second Team, enters Thursday's match against Elon tied for fifth all-time at Tech in career assists:

Rk	Player	Years	Assists
1.	Julian Johnson	2006-09	31
2.	Kelly Conheeny	2009-13	23
3.	Kelsey Loupee	2011-14	22
4.	Jazmine Reeves	2010-13	19
5.	<b>Emily Gray</b>	<b>2018-pres.</b>	<b>18</b>
	Marika Gray	2007-10	18

• Gray's two-assist performance against Liberty marked her third career match during which she recorded multiple assists. She previously racked up four assists during the Hokies' 8-2 win against Miami (Oct. 15, 2020) and earned two during their 2-1 win against Navy (Oct. 24, 2020).

## FIVE-POINTED STAR

• Emily Gray overlapped the 2020-21 and 2021 seasons with a five-match point streak:

Date	Opponent (Site)	G-A-PTS
March 7, 2021	Charlotte (A)	1-0-2
March 20, 2021	William & Mary (H)	2-0-4
April 1, 2021	Liberty (A)	2-0-4
April 17, 2021	Auburn (N)	1-0-2
Aug. 19, 2021	Liberty (H)	0-2-2

## POWELL PACKS A PUNCH

• After her seven-goal rookie season during the 2020-21 campaign, sophomore Tori Powell has factored into the scoring for three of Tech's first four season-opening goals.

• Powell headed in Tech's third goal against Liberty (Aug. 19). Three of her nine career goals have been scored against the Flames (102 minutes of match time).

• After heading in Ava Veith's corner against William & Mary (Aug. 22), Powell recorded her third career match-winning goal.

## TRAINING PAYS OFF

• Set pieces - both attacking and defending - were a point of emphasis for Virginia Tech during its preseason training.

• Three of the Hokies' first four goals scored of the 2021 season came off set pieces (two off corners).

• Tech is yet to concede a set piece goal this season, including the three cumulative corners it has defended.

## CORNER POCKET

• Virginia Tech has accumulated 10 or more corners during consecutive matches for the first time since August 2017.

## AGAINST THE COMMONWEALTH

• With season-opening victories against Liberty (Aug. 19) and William & Mary (Aug. 22), Virginia Tech improved to 17-2-0 under Chugger Adair when competing in non-conference regular season matches against in-state opponents.

• Tech's two defeats were had against Virginia during the 2020-21 season (non-conference ACC matches inside COVID-19 scheduling).

## IN PURSUIT OF PERFECTION

• Virginia Tech is eyeing three straight season-opening shutouts for the third time across its program history. All instances have been achieved under Chugger Adair (2014, 2019).

• To date, the Hokies have mastered these longest season-opening stretches prior to conceding their first goal:

Rk	Season	First Goal	Match No.
1.	2019	326:12	4th
2.	2014	322:38	4th
3.	2012	245:49 *	3rd
4.	<b>2021</b>	<b>180:00</b>	<b>--</b>

\* Tech would tie mark at 65:49 on Thursday (24:11 on second half scoreboard clock).

## DIFFERENCE MAKER

• With another offensive showing on Thursday, the Hokies could be on pace for one of their best three-match, season-opening goal differentials under Chugger Adair:

Rk	Year	GF	GA	GD
1.	2014	13	0	+13
2.	2011	10	1	+9
3.	2013	10	2	+8
4.	2019	7	0	+7
5.	2016	8	2	+6
6.	2017	6	1	+5
7.	2012	6	2	+4
--	<b>2021</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>+4</b>

## SKINNER KEEPS HER FOURTH CLEAN SHEET

• Alia Skinner kept her third and fourth career clean sheets during Virginia Tech's season-opening victories against Liberty (Aug. 19) and William & Mary (Aug. 22):

Date	Opponent (Site)	Saves
Oct. 4, 2020	Pittsburgh (H)	12
Nov. 1, 2020	Boston College (A)	2
Aug. 19, 2021	Liberty (H)	2
Aug. 22, 2021	William & Mary (H)	4

• Skinner (10-8-0, 1.26 GAA) has logged six career shutout appearances between the posts.

## BIG-TIME MINUTES

• Virginia Tech backs Victoria Haugen and Allie Lewis enter Thursday's match having played the duration of the 2021 season (180 minutes).

• Lewis and fellow rookie Avery Tharrington (151 minutes) have seen the most match time among Tech's newcomer class.

## A SENIOR NIGHT TO REMEMBER

• Nicole Kozlova dramatically scored Tech's first goal of the 2021 season on her Senior Night (Aug. 19 vs. Liberty) - the first of six matches this

season devoted to honoring one member of the Hokies' 2021 senior class.

• Kozlova broke the ice during the 19th minute, directing a 12-yard, right-to-left rolling shot through the left post (assisted by Victoria Haugen and Tori Powell). Tech went on to win, 3-0.

• Kozlova's strike against Liberty made her eighth career goal and her fourth career match-winner.

• During the 2020-21 season, Kozlova appeared in five of Tech's 17 matches due to her commitment to the Ukrainian women's national team. She is expected to split time again this fall between Tech and the national team.

## HEY THERE, ROOKIE

• Emma Pelkowski netted her first collegiate goal on Aug. 19 against Liberty during her first career appearance and start.

• Pelkowski headed in the rebound from Emily Gray's 25-yard free kick during the 50th minute to deliver Tech the 2-0 lead against the Flames.

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## 2021 STANDINGS

TEAM	ACC	PTS	OVERALL
1. No. 1 Florida State	0-0-0	0	2-0-0
No. 2 North Carolina	0-0-0	0	2-0-0
No. 3 Virginia	0-0-0	0	2-0-0
No. 5 Duke	0-0-0	0	2-0-0
No. 9 Clemson	0-0-0	0	2-0-0
Boston College	0-0-0	0	2-0-0
Pittsburgh	0-0-0	0	2-0-0
<b>Virginia Tech</b>	<b>0-0-0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2-0-0</b>
Wake Forest	0-0-0	0	2-0-0
North Carolina State	0-0-0	0	1-0-1
Notre Dame	0-0-0	0	1-0-1
Louisville	0-0-0	0	1-0-0
Miami	0-0-0	0	1-0-0
Syracuse	0-0-0	0	1-0-0

## PREDICTED ORDER OF FINISH

TEAM (FIRST-PLACE VOTES)	POINTS
1. Florida State (11)	167
2. North Carolina (2)	155
3. Virginia (1)	148
4. Duke	129
5. Clemson	124
6. Notre Dame	104
7. <b>Virginia Tech</b>	<b>85</b>
8. Louisville	77
9. Wake Forest	72
10. North Carolina State	71
11. Pittsburgh	57
12. Boston College	45
13. Syracuse	24
14. Miami	16



CHUGGER ADAIR

## THE ADAIR FILE

**Coaching Exp.:** 23rd season, 16th at Tech  
**Head Coach:** 11th season, 11th at Tech  
**Record at Tech:** 128-62-20 (.657)  
**Overall Record:** 128-62-20 (.657)  
**College:** San Diego (1993)  
**Playing Exp:** San Diego (1996-99)

Year	School/Org.	Position
2011-present	Virginia Tech	Head Coach
2006-10	Virginia Tech	Associate Head Coach
2004-06	UC Santa Barbara	Women's Assistant Coach
2003	San Diego Spirit	Assistant Coach
2002	Pacific	M&W Assistant Coach
1998-00	San Diego	Men's Assistant Coach

### Most NCAA Appearances

\*As Head Coach at Virginia Tech

Coach	Apps	Berths
Chugger Adair	7	2011-15, 2018, 2019
Kelly Cagle	4	2004, 2008-10

## Year-By-Year Record

### CAREER RECORD

YEAR	SCHOOL	RECORD
2011	Virginia Tech	14-8-1
2012	Virginia Tech	13-6-1
2013	Virginia Tech	19-5-3
2014	Virginia Tech	16-6-0
2015	Virginia Tech	15-4-2
2016	Virginia Tech	11-5-3
2017	Virginia Tech	7-6-5
2018	Virginia Tech	11-8-3
2019	Virginia Tech	12-5-2
2020-21	Virginia Tech	8-9-0
2021	Virginia Tech	2-0-0
<b>TOTALS:</b>		<b>128-62-20</b>



On December 7, 2010, former Virginia Tech Director of Athletics Jim Weaver announced the hiring of Tech's fourth head women's soccer coach Charles "Chugger" Adair, the associate head coach for the team the previous five seasons. The 2019 season marked Adair's 14th season in Blacksburg and his ninth year as the Hokies' head coach. In that time, he's become the all-time wins leader in program history, ending the 2019 campaign with a 118-53-20 overall record, and became just the second soccer coach at the school to reach the 100-win milestone with the team's victory at Miami on Sept. 23 (Jerry Cheynet, 238 wins, 28 seasons for Tech men's soccer). He's also just the 10th women's soccer head coach to reach that mark in the ACC.

Prior to Adair's arrival on campus, the women's program just once (2004) made the postseason - playing a game in both the ACC and NCAA tournaments. Since, the team has qualified for six ACC tournaments, playing for the conference title twice (2008 & 2013), and earned eight straight bids to the NCAA championship (2008-15) and 10 overall, as the Hokies made back-to-back trips in 2018 and 2019. Tech has reached the Sweet 16 four times under Adair (2009, 2011, 2014, 2018), but enjoyed its greatest success in 2013. That record-setting season included the Hokies posting a school-record 19 wins (most by any soccer team at the school), playing for the ACC title and advancing to the NCAA College Cup, where their season ended with a 3-2 loss to Florida State in a national semifinal game.

Under Adair, Tech has seen its only two draft choices selected in the NWSL draft. Jazmine Reeves was the 21st overall pick by the Boston Breakers in 2014, while Mandy McGlynn was chosen one spot higher with the No. 20 pick by Sky Blue FC in 2020. Tech has also had its only three All-Americans under Adair's tutelage - Reeves (1st, 2013), Murielle Tiernan (3rd, 2015) and McGlynn (2nd, 2019) - and two of its three Academic All-Americans - Katie Yensen (3rd, 2014) and McGlynn (1st, 2019).

Along with the great strides the Hokies have made on the pitch, the Tech women's soccer program is also known for producing outstanding students who are major contributors off of it. Each year, the Hokies boast a high team grade point average and have student-athletes who compete for state, regional and national academic recognition. In fact, during the 2017-18 academic season, the team posted a program-tying best ever team GPA of 3.53 in the spring semester. In addition, both Ashley Meier (2015) and Alani Johnson (2017) have received an ACC Postgraduate Scholarship, with Meier also earning an NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship as well. Lastly, in 2018, Heather Timothy became Tech's sixth women's soccer player to earn the Skelton Award for Academic Excellence in Athletics - the highest designation handed out by the Tech athletics department.

Adair has led his program to a winning record in each of his nine seasons in Blacksburg.

In 2015, the Hokies went 15-4-2 and won their opening round game in the NCAA Championship, while in the 2014 season, Adair led the Hokies to a 16-6 record and advanced to the Sweet 16 for the third time in school history. During that season, the Hokies set a school record for most goals in a season, with 62, and fewest goals allowed in a season, surrendering just 18, and reached a program-best No. 2 ranking in the country after starting the season at 10-0-0.

In their record-setting 2013 campaign, the Hokies beat three ranked teams during the regular season and then blew out then-No. 1 Virginia 4-2 in the ACC Tournament semifinals. They added two more ranked foes to their list of conquests when they downed West Virginia 1-0 and knocked off Santa Clara by advancing on penalty kicks in the NCAA Championships. The Hokies were a No. 1 seed in the tournament and hosted four games in Blacksburg. The Hokies scored a then school-record 56 goals, breaking the mark of 45 set by the 2012 team, and shut out 12 opponents, tying the mark also set by the 2012 squad. They finished the season with a school-best No. 4 ranking in the country.

In Adair's first season as the head coach (2011), Tech matched its best finish in program history (at the time), making it all the way to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Championship. Adair led the Hokies to a 14-8-1 overall record, which included 11 shutouts.

Adair came to Tech in 2006 and served as the associate head coach under previous head coach Kelly Cagle for five seasons before being promoted. In Adair's first season as an assistant to Cagle, the Hokies suffered a losing season, but have not suffered a losing season since. In 2008, the Hokies advanced to the finals of the ACC Championship for the first time, falling to North Carolina 3-0, and in 2009, the Hokies won 16 games, then a school record, and earned a final ranking of No. 12.

Adair also possesses a great deal of playing experience, having played professionally for 10 years, including stints with the Los Angeles Galaxy of Major League Soccer and the U.S. National Futsal Team. He also spent time playing for the San Diego Sockers, Wichita Wings, Portland Timbers, San Diego Flash, Minnesota Thunder, Seattle Sounders, Milwaukee Wave, Carolina Dynamo and A.A. Ghent (Belgium) from 1993-2003.

Adair played soccer at the University of San Diego after transferring from San Diego State in the early 1990s. He earned All-America honors, was a two-year captain and helped USD to the NCAA finals, where the Toreros lost to Virginia. He scored 27 goals and had 23 assists in his three years at USD. He got his bachelor's degree in business administration from USD in 1993 and he received his MBA from USD in 1996.

Adair is married to the former Shelbylynn Mc-Bride, and they have a daughter, Callie Lynn and a son, Austin Tate. He also has two other daughters Alexandra and Madeline, and a son Jack.



## BY THE NUMBERS

**9** Virginia Tech owns a +9 goal differential across three series meetings against Elon. The Hokies' largest series win was their 5-0 result on Aug. 28, 2011.

**18** Emily Gray enters Thursday's match riding 18 career assists. Gray's next assist will move her into a tie for fourth place all-time at Tech.

**4** Alia Skinner has kept four career clean sheets, including back-to-back shutouts in goal to start the 2021 season.

## KEY STORYLINES, CTD.

- From Tech's starting XI, Pelkowski was substituted for during the 25th minute before beginning the second half on the pitch. She scored during her 30th minute of play.

### FIRST OUTINGS

- Six Tech newcomers (including five true freshmen) made their collegiate debuts during the Hokies' regular season opener against Liberty (Aug. 19).

- Allie Lewis, Avery Tharrington and Emma Pelkowski debuted from the Hokies' starting XI. Lewis played the duration of the contest on Tech's back line while Tharrington played more than an hour in the midfield.

- Sophie Maltese, Lauren Gogal and Allie George each came in as reserves for the Hokies.

### TECH OPENS 2021 IN VICTORY

- Virginia Tech downed Liberty, 3-0, on Aug. 19 to start the 2021 season.

- The Hokies improved to 10-1-0 all-time against the Flames.

- Tech is now 22-3-4 all-time during home openers (9-1-1 under Chugger Adair).

### THIS SEEMS FAMILIAR

- Like in 2021, Virginia Tech also started its 2019 campaign with a 3-0 home victory against Liberty.

- In 2019, Tech tacked on two more clean sheets against Cincinnati and Georgia on its way to a 3-0-0 record. The Hokies did not concede until their fourth match of the year, achieving a scoreless stretch that lasted 326:12.

### FINE ATTACKING DISPLAY

- Virginia Tech recorded 17 shot attempts during its first outing of the 2021 season (Aug. 19 vs. Liberty), placing nine on target.

- Tech averaged 11.35 attempts per match during the 2020-21 season. The Hokies also averaged 14.15 attempts per their 13-match schedule excluding contests against Florida State, North Carolina and Duke.

### BIG BIRD SCHEDULE

- Liberty was the first of eight programs on Virginia Tech's 2021 schedule that advanced to the 2020 NCAA tournament (held during the spring of 2021).

- Tech's 2021 non-conference schedule features two defending league champions in Liberty and Elon.

- The Hokies will face the defending national champion, Santa Clara, during their second match at the Fairfield by Marriott Invitational in Harrisonburg, Virginia (hosted by James Madison).

### PRESEASON RECAP

- Virginia Tech combined for two clean sheets and a +4 goal differential during its two exhibition matches.

- Holly Rose Weber scored two of Tech's four preseason goals to lead the Hokies in scoring.

- Emily Gray and Tori Powell connected on each other's preseason goals. Powell's header goal against Richmond (Aug. 12) came off the boot of Gray's corner from the left flag.

- Tech blitzed Loyola (Aug. 8) for two quick goals after the hour mark (61', 63'), capitalizing on a turnover in the Greyhounds' defensive third to lead, 2-0.

- The Hokies scored twice inside the first 40 minutes against Richmond en route to victory.

### SEASON OUTLOOK

- Virginia Tech has aspirations of making the program's 12th NCAA tournament appearance to date this fall, having earned all berths since 2004.

- Under Chugger Adair, the Hokies have advanced to seven NCAA tournaments (most recently in 2019), reached the round of 16 on three occasions and made the 2013 College Cup.

### PICKING THE FIELD

- Virginia Tech was voted to finish seventh in the year-end ACC standings this season by the league's head coaches.

- The Hokies will be chasing one of six spots in the 2021 ACC Women's Soccer Championship.

- Of the six programs picked to finish ahead of Tech, five were ranked among the top seven national preseason positions per *United Soccer Coaches*:

Program	ACC	National
Florida State	No. 1	No. 1
North Carolina	No. 2	No. 3
Virginia	No. 3	No. 4
Duke	No. 4	No. 6
Clemson	No. 5	No. 7

- Tech is also scheduled to face two more programs ranked among the *United Soccer Coaches* preseason top 25: No. 2 Santa Clara and No. 17 South Carolina.

## RECORD BREAKDOWN

	Overall	ACC
Overall	2-0-0	0-0-0
Home	2-0-0	0-0-0
Away	0-0-0	0-0-0
Neutral	0-0-0	--
Non-conference	2-0-0	--
Ranked opponents	0-0-0	0-0-0
Day matches	1-0-0	0-0-0
Night matches	1-0-0	0-0-0
Scoring 1 goal	1-0-0	0-0-0
Scoring 2 goals	0-0-0	0-0-0
Scoring 3 goals	1-0-0	0-0-0
Scoring 4+ goals	0-0-0	0-0-0
Allowing 2+ goals	0-0-0	0-0-0
Allowing 3+ goals	0-0-0	0-0-0
Hokies score first	2-0-0	0-0-0
Opponent scores first	0-0-0	0-0-0
Leading at halftime	1-0-0	0-0-0
Trailing at halftime	0-0-0	0-0-0
Tied at halftime	1-0-0	0-0-0
Scores a goal before 10'	0-0-0	0-0-0
Scores a goal after 80'	0-0-0	0-0-0
Allows a goal before 10'	0-0-0	0-0-0
Allows a goal after 80'	0-0-0	0-0-0

### BY MONTH

August	2-0-0	0-0-0
September	0-0-0	0-0-0
October	0-0-0	0-0-0
November	0-0-0	0-0-0

### BY KIT

All whites	1-0-0	0-0-0
Maroon top	1-0-0	0-0-0
Orange top	0-0-0	0-0-0
Black top	0-0-0	0-0-0
Gray top	0-0-0	0-0-0



2021-22 Virginia Tech Women's Soccer  
Overall Team Statistics  
All games

**Game Records**

Overall	Conference	Home	Away	Neutral
2 - 0 - 0	0 - 0 - 0	2 - 0 - 0	0 - 0 - 0	0 - 0 - 0

**Team statistics**

	HOKIES	OPP
<b>SHOT STATISTICS</b>		
Goals-Shot attempts	4-31	0-16
Goals scored per game	2	0
Shot pct.	.129	.000
Shots on goal-Attempts	15-31	6-16
SOG pct.	.484	.375
Shots/Game	15.5	8
Assists	6	0
<b>GOAL BREAKDOWN</b>		
Total Goals	4	0
Penalty	0	0
Unassisted	-	-
Overtime	0	0
Goals scored average	2	0
<b>CORNER KICKS</b>		
Goals off corners	21	3
	-	-
<b>PENALTY KICKS</b>		
	0-0	0-0
<b>OFFSIDES</b>		
	5	2
<b>PENALTIES</b>		
Fouls	27	15
Yellow cards	1	3
Red cards	0	0
<b>ATTENDANCE</b>		
Total	1733	0
Dates/Avg Per Date	2/867	0/0
Neutral Site #/Avg	0/0	-

**Goals by Periods**

Team	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	TOTAL
Hokies	1	3	0	0	4
Opponents	0	0	0	0	0

**Corners by Periods**

Team	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	TOTAL
Hokies	10	11	0	0	21
Opponents	1	2	0	0	3

**Shots by Periods**

Team	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	TOTAL
Hokies	15	16	0	0	31
Opponents	7	9	0	0	16

**Fouls by Periods**

Team	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	TOTAL
Hokies	10	17	0	0	27
Opponents	7	8	0	0	15

**Saves by Periods**

Team	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	TOTAL
Hokies	2	4	0	0	6
Opponents	4	7	0	0	11

**Offsides by Periods**

Team	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	TOTAL
Hokies	1	4	0	0	5
Opponents	1	1	0	0	2



**2021-22 Virginia Tech Women's Soccer  
Individual Statistics  
All games**

**Game Records**

Overall	Conference	Home	Away	Neutral
2 - 0 - 0	0 - 0 - 0	2 - 0 - 0	0 - 0 - 0	0 - 0 - 0

**Team Box Score**

No.	Player	GP-GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SH%	SOG	SOG%	YC	RC	GWG	PK-ATT	FG	OT	HAT	GTG	FOUL
12	Powell, Tori	2-2	113	2	1	5	6	.333	5	.833	0	0	1	0-0	1	0	0	0	4
26	Pelkowski, Emma	2-2	104	1	0	2	4	.250	3	.750	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2
10	Kozlova, Nicole	2-2	100	1	0	2	3	.333	1	.333	0	0	1	0-0	1	0	0	0	0
4	Gray, Emily	2-2	147	0	2	2	6	.000	2	.333	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2
20	Haugen, Victoria	2-2	180	0	1	1	2	.000	2	1.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2
21	Visage, Averi	2-2	130	0	1	1	2	.000	1	.500	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2
27	Veith, Ava	2-2	172	0	1	1	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3
19	Weber, Holly Rose	2-0	76	0	0	0	2	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3
11	Johnson, Gabby	2-2	132	0	0	0	2	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
13	Johnson, Karlie	2-0	51	0	0	0	2	.000	1	.500	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1
15	Maltese, Sophie	2-0	61	0	0	0	1	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2
6	Graham, Makenzie	2-0	53	0	0	0	1	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
16	Carleton, Erin	1-0	6	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
32	George, Allie	2-0	53	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2
18	Gogal, Lauren	1-0	8	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
24	McCarter, Emmalee	2-0	44	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
14	Lewis, Allie	2-2	180	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2
1	Skinner, Alia	2-2	180	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
25	Heister, Calista	1-0	6	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
7	Tharrington, Avery	2-2	150	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	1	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2
17	Baucom, Maddy	2-0	33	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>.129</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>.484</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>Opponents</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>.000</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>.375</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>15</b>

No.	Goalie	GP-GS	Goal Average			Saves		Record			
			MINS	GA	GA AVG	SAVES	PCT	W	L	T	SHO/CBO
1	Skinner, Alia	2-2	180:00	0	0.00	6	1.000	2	0	0	2/0
TM	TEAM	-	00:00	0	0.00	0	.000	0	0	0	0/0
<b>Total</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>180:00</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1.000</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Opponents</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>180:00</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2.00</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>.733</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

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