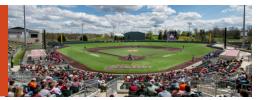


VIRGINIA TECH

2022 BASEBALL



10 NCAA APPEARANCES / 23 ALL-AMERICANS / 112 MLB DRAFT PICKS / 21 MLB ALUMNI

THE MATCHUP

NO. 8 VIRGINIA TECH HOKIES

28-9. 12-7 ACC

JAMES MADISON DUKES

23-17. 9-6 CAA

Head coach: Marlin Ikenberry (VMI, '95) Head coach: John Szefc (Drexel, '89) Career record: 505-358-4 (17th season) Record at Virginia Tech: 113-99 (fifth season) Record vs. James Madison: 6-5-1

Career record: 431-457-1 (18th season) Record at James Madison: 149-150 (seventh season)

Record vs. Virginia Tech: 4-11

GAME 38	WEDNESDAY, A	APRIL 27	7 PM	ACCNX
BLACKSI	BURG, VA. ENGLISH F	TELD AT ATLANT	TIC UNION BAN	IK PARK (4,000)
RYAN METZ	(1-0, 2.30 ERA)	GAME 38	CJ CZERW	/INSKI (1-0, 9.42 ERA)



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LAST TIME OUT - ARPIL 24 at BOSTON COLLEGE

VIRGINIA TECH

Pos	#	Name	GS-GP	AVG	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SLG	OBP	Note
RF	24	Nick Biddison	37-37	.344	154	38	53	12		5	24	.519	.435	12-for-15 in stolen bases
CF	19	Gavin Cross	35-35	.358	148	48	53	11	5	9	29	.682	.451	Nine-game hitting streak
SS	8	Tanner Schobel	37-37	.367	147	47	54	10	1	13	53	.714	.456	25 RBIs since April 9
LF	31	Jack Hurley	36-36	.421	145	43	61	18	1	11	41	.786	.500	10th best AVG, NCAA
С	17	Cade Hunter	36-35	.366	134	27	49	12		13	51	.746	.460	t-7th in HRs, ACC
3B	4	Carson DeMartini	37-36	.317	126	35	40	8	2	10	28	.651	.453	1.104 OPS at Tech
1B	32	Lucas Donlon	14-5	.318	22	7	7	1		1	5	.500	.385	April 23: 3-4, 3 R
DH	2	Sam Tackett	25-11	.237	38	9	9			1	5	.316	.456	
2B	3	Christian Martin	23-8	.278	36	6	10	4		1	3	.472	.422	Two 2Bs last four games

KEY STORYLINES

RIDING THE WAVES

- Virginia Tech doubled down on its No. 8 ranking last week, turning in a 5-0 record against VMI, Radford and Boston College (three-game sweep) to eclipse 28 victories for the first time since the 2013 campaign.
- Tech's five-game winning streak was paired with slight adversity as the Hokies came from behind to win three contests, erasing a five-run deficit against the Keydets at English Field.
- Despite sweeping the Eagles during ACC play, Tech witnessed one of its quieter offensive performances, yielding threegame series lows in runs scored (14), hits (22) and home runs (three).
- · Although scoring dipped, the Hokies emerged as a team capable of winning close ballgames.

- Prior to its series at BC, Tech had been 1-8 this season when scoring six runs or fewer - a trend the Hokies overcame during each of their victories against the Eagles.
- After combining to use 13 arms during its midweek wins against VMI and Radford, Tech received two quality starts from right-handers Griffin Green and Drue Hackenberg that helped the Hokies burn only six pitchers against BC.
- Fifth-year righty Ryan Metz is projected to lead Tech's well-rested pitching staff into Wednesday's action against James Madison.
- Metz has thrown three-plus innings during each of his last three midweek appearances, toeing a 1.93 ERA during those outings while recording nine strikeouts against one walk.
- Overall, Metz's 2.30 season ERA stands as the second lowest on the Hokies' staff among pitchers who have

thrown 15 or more innings this season.

NEW BALLCLUB

- Since meeting six weeks ago in Harrisonburg - the program's first series meeting since 2014 - Virginia Tech is a different baseball club.
- On Monday, the Hokies broke their program record for highest all-time D1Baseball poll placement (set a week ago), ascending to No. 7.
- Tech is considered a top-10 team in five of the six leading college baseball polls, peaking at No. 5 in this week's reveal of Perfect Game's top 25 rankings.
- Upon visiting the Dukes in March, the Hokies were three games into what became a five-game losing streak, burdened by their 14-inning loss at then-No. 13 Georgia Tech that had concluded their nine-hour doubleheader in Atlanta.
- Tech offered JMU little resistance, settling for two runs

2022 SCHEDULE

		RECORD CC RECORD		28-9 12-7
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DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	TV	TIME/RES
Fri.	Feb. 18	UNC Asheville	ACCNX	W, 1
Sat.	Feb. 19	UNC Asheville		W,
Sun.	Feb. 20	UNC Asheville	ACCNX	W, 1
Tue.	Feb. 22	ETSU	ACCNX	No Co
Fri.	Feb. 25	Fordham	ACCNX	W, 1
Sat.	Feb. 26	Fordham	ACCNX	W,
Sun.	Feb. 27	Fordham		W,
Tue.	March 1	High Point		W, 1
Fri.	March 4	Wright State	ACCNX	L, S
Sat.	March 5	Wright State	ACCNX	W,
Sun.	March 6	Wright State	ACCNX	W, 1
Tue.	March 8	East Carolina	ACCNX	W,
Fri.	March 11	at No. 13 Georgia Tech *	ACCNX	L,
Sun.	March 13	at No. 13 Georgia Tech *	ACCNX	L, 6
_		at No. 13 Georgia Tech *	ACCNX	L, 6-7
Tue.	March 15	at James Madison		<u>L,</u>
Fri.	March 18	Pitt *	ACCNX	L,
Sat.	March 19	Pitt *	ACCNX	W, 2
Sun.	March 20	Pitt *	ACCNX	W,
Tue.	March 22	Radford	ACCNX	W, 1
Fri.	March 25	at No. 12 Notre Dame *	ACCNX	W, 1
Sat.	March 26	at No. 12 Notre Dame *	ACCNX	Cano
Sun. Tue.	March 27 March 29	at No. 12 Notre Dame *	ESPN2 ESPN+	Canc
TUE.	MIGIGII 23	at VMI	E9LM+	W, 1
Fri.	April 1	at No. 18 North Carolina *	ACCNX	W, 1
Sat.	April 2	at No. 18 North Carolina *	ACCNX	W,
Sun.	April 3	at No. 18 North Carolina *	ACCNX	L, 6
Tue.	April 5	Marshall	ACCNX	W,
Fri.	April 8	No. 21 NC State *	ACCNX	W, 21
Sat. Sun.	April 9	No. 21 NC State * No. 21 NC State *	ACCNX	W,
Tue.	April 10 April 12	at Liberty	ACCNX ESPN+	L, 3 W, 1
Thu.	April 14	No. 2 Miami *	ACCNX	W, 1
Fri.	April 15	No. 2 Miami *	ACCNX	W, 1
Sat.	April 16	No. 2 Miami *		L,
Tue.	April 19	VMI	ACCNX	W,
Wed.	April 20	at Radford	ESPN+	W, 1
Fri.	April 22	at Boston College *	ACCNX	W,
Sat.	April 23	at Boston College * ^	ACCN	W,
Sun.	April 24	at Boston College *	ACCNX	W,
Wed.	April 27	James Madison	ACCNX	7
Fri.	April 29	at No. 11 Virginia *	ACCNX	6
Sat.	April 30	at No. 11 Virginia *	ACCNX	4
Sun.	May 1	at No. 11 Virginia *	ACCNX	1
Wed.	May 4	at Marshall	-	3
Sat.	May 7	Villanova	ACCNX	2
Sun.	May 8	Villanova	ACCNX	2
Wed.	May 11	Liberty	ACCN	6
Fri.	May 13	Louisville *	ACCNX	7
Sat.	May 14	Louisville *	ACCN	1
Sun.	May 15	Louisville *	ACCNX	1
Tue.	May 17	Kansas State	ACCN	6
Thu.	May 19	Duke *	ACCN	
Fri.	May 20	Duke *	ACCNX	
Sat.	May 21	Duke *	ACCNX	1

^{* -} ACC Game

^{^ - 10}th annual ALS Awareness Game (Fenway Park - Boston, Mass.)

2022 NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Exp.	CI.	Pos.	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown	High School	Previous Schools
2	Sam Tackett	True	R-Fr.	IF	R/R	6-0	195	Lexington, Ky.	Lafayette	
3	Christian Martin	True	Fr.	IF	L/R	5-10	170	Amherst, Va.	Amherst County	
4	Carson DeMartini	True	Fr.	IF	L/R	6-0	185	Virginia Beach, Va.	Ocean Lakes	
5	Gehrig Ebel	True	So.	С	R/R	6-0	190	Ooltewah, Tenn.	Baylor School	
7	Sean Fisher	5-yr.	Gr.	Р	R/L	6-0	215	Parsonburg, Md.	Parkside	Maryland
8	Tanner Schobel	True	So.	IF	R/R	5-10	170	Williamsburg, Va.	Walsingham Academy	
9	Brennan Reback	5-yr.	Sr.	OF	L/L	6-0	195	Vernon Hills, III.	Vernon Hills	Central Arizona JC
10	Tyler Dean	True	Fr.	IF/P	R/R	6-3	195	Vinton, Va.	William Byrd	
11	Cade Swisher	3-yr.	So.	OF	L/R	5-11	190	Chesterfield, Va.	Cosby	
12	Conor Hartigan	5-yr.	Sr.	OF	R/R	6-2	220	Winchester, Va.	Millbrook	James Madison
15	Drue Hackenberg	True	Fr.	Р	R/R	6-2	220	Palmyra, Pa.	Miller School of Albemarle	
16	Matthew Siverling	3-yr.	So.	Р	L/L	6-4	190	Matthews, N.C.	Charlotte Christian	
17	Cade Hunter	3-yr.	So.	С	L/R	6-2	200	Mount Laurel, N.J.	Lenape	
18	Warren Holzemer	True	Fr.	IF	R/R	5-10	180	Burke, Va.	Robinson Secondary School	
19	Gavin Cross	3-yr.	So.	OF	L/L	6-3	210	Bristol, Tenn.	Tennessee	
20	Grant Umberger	True	So.	Р	R/L	6-4	225	Chester Springs, Pa.	Downingtown East	
22	Ryan Okuda	5-yr.	Sr.	Р	L/L	6-1	170	Gibsonia, Pa.	Pine-Richland	
23	Eduardo Malinowski	5-yr.	Gr.	IF	R/R	6-0	195	Spring, Texas	Klein Oak	Pennsylvania
24	Nick Biddison	4-yr.	Jr.	UT	R/R	5-10	190	Glen Allen, Va.	St. Christopher's	
25	Dylan Hatfield	True	Fr.	С	R/R	5-11	185	Vinton, Va.	William Byrd	
27	Noah Johnson	3-yr.	So.	Р	L/L	6-5	195	Toledo, Ohio	St. Francis de Sales	
29	Carson Jones	3-yr.	So.	OF	L/L	6-2	190	Glen Allen, Va.	Deep Run	
30	Jordan Geber	5-yr.	Gr.	Р	R/R	6-3	205	Severn, Md.	Archbishop Spalding	Mount Saint Mary's
31	Jack Hurley	True	So.	OF	L/R	6-0	185	Boalsburg, Pa.	State College	
32	Lucas Donlon	3-yr.	So.	IF	R/R	6-0	205	McLean, Va.	Georgetown Prep	
33	Nick Holesa	4-yr.	R-Jr.	1B	L/R	6-2	205	Huntingdon, Pa.	Huntingdon Area	
35	Ryan Metz	5-yr.	Sr.	Р	R/R	6-1	190	Fishers, Ind.	Fishers	
37	Jonah Seagears	4-yr.	Jr.	OF	R/R	5-11	184	Gainesville, Va.	Battlefield	
38	Ryan Kennedy	5-yr.	Sr.	Р	L/L	6-2	210	Winchester, Va.	Millbrook	Kennesaw State
39	Peter Sakellaris	3-yr.	So.	Р	R/R	6-0	185	Milton, Mass.	Milton Academy	
40	Henry Weycker	3-yr.	So.	Р	L/L	5-11	205	Wellesley, Mass.	Wellesley	
43	Marcus Dux	True	Fr.	Р	L/L	6-1	185	Fairfax, Va.	Chantilly	
44	Jackson Ritchey	True	So.	Р	R/R	6-5	190	Huntingdon, Pa.	Huntingdon Area	
45	Christian Worley	True	So.	Р	R/R	6-1	170	Alton, Va.	Halifax County	
46	Griffin Green	True	So.	Р	R/R	6-3	205	Chelmsford, Mass.	Phillips Academy	
47	Jonah Hurney	4-yr.	Jr.	Р	L/L	5-8	180	Kamuela, Hawaii	Hawaii Prep	Southwestern Oregon CC
48	Brady Kirtner	True	R-Fr.	Р	R/R	5-11	170	Christiansburg, Va.	Christiansburg	
49	Kiernan Higgins	5-yr.	Gr.	Р	R/R	6-4	235	Buffalo, N.Y.	Bishop Timon - St. Jude	Coastal Carolina / Shippensburg
50	Luke Jackman	True	Fr.	Р	R/R	6-0	195	McLean, Va.	Gonzaga College	
51	Graham Firoved	4-yr.	Jr.	Р	R/R	6-1	185	Virginia Beach, Va.	First Colonial	Radford / Northwest Florida JC

NOTE: To best accommodate class listings given the NCAA's COVID-19 eligibility rules, Virginia Tech baseball & strategic communications chose to not advance student-athlete class listings following the 2020 season, yet advance listings following the 2021 season. The 'experience' listing is comprehensive of a student-athlete's playing career (disregarding redshirts) and should be read in tandem with their class listing. Bonus years will be added to the end of student-athletes' careers, as needed and as exercised.

COACHES' NUMBERS: No. 6 Kurt Elbin, No. 13 Tyler Hanson, No. 14 John Szefc, No. 36 Ryan Fecteau

COACHING & SUPPORT STAFF

Head Coach: John Szefc (Drexel, '89), 17th season as head coach (fifth season at Virginia Tech)

Assistant Coach, Hitting & Recruiting Coordinator: Kurt Elbin (Lock Haven, '06)

Assistant Coach, Pitching: Ryan Fecteau (Saint Anselm, '05)
Assistant Coach, Volunteer: Tyler Hanson (Maine at Farmington, '09)

Assistant Coach, Volunteer: Tyler Hallson (Maryland, 11)

Director of Operations: Corey Haines (Maryland, 11)

Director of Player Development: Kyle Sarazin (Flon, 19)

Director of Player Development: Kyle Sarazin (Elon, '19)
Baseball Consultant: Tyson Petersheim (Lock Haven, '17)
Director, Sports Medicine: Kyle Staggers, MAEd, LAT, ATC
Director, Strength & Conditioning: Seth Diters
Senior Director, Sports Nutrition: Alyson Onyon

Associate Director, Student-Athlete Academic Support Services: Mike Swanhart

Assistant Director, Equipment Services: Daniel Mervos
Assistant Director, Creative Communications: Mike Skovan

Student Managers: Cam Davis (head), Dugan Andrews, Luke Bouchard,

Andrew Frye, Alex Gioia, John Shelley

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

5 - Gehrig Ebel	EE-buhl
16 - Matthew Siverling	SIV-er-ling
18 - Warren Holzemer	HOL-zeh-mer
30 - Jordan Geber	GEE-berr ('gee' as in 'geese')
33 - Nick Holesa	hohl-EE-sah
37 - Jonah Seagears	SEE-ghurz ('gh' as in 'girl')
39 - Peter Sakellaris	sah-kill-AIR-iss
40 - Henry Weycker	WYE-kerr ('wye' as in 'why')
43 - Marcus Dux	DUKES
48 - Brady Kirtner	KURT-nerr
51 - Graham Firoved	FYE-row-vedd
HC - John Szefc	SHEFF
AC - Ryan Fecteau	FECT-oh

on six hits - season lows that were revisited on April 22 at Boston College.

- Though the Hokies went on to outhit the Dukes, 6-4, Tech's staff conceded 12 free bases to JMU, accounting for seven walks, three hit batsmen and two wild pitches.
- Shaking off its 5-2 defeat that night to James Madison, Virginia Tech has since posted an 18-4 record, flexing an offense that continues to rank top-five nationally in batting average (.320), slugging percentage (.595), doubles (100) and home runs (80).
- The Hokies have also climbed inside the top 50 NCAA Division I pitching staffs in ERA (4.18) the fifth best mark in among ACC programs while placing 10th in fielding percentage (.981).

HAMMERIN' DUO

- Pulling into Wednesday's midweek contest with 80 home runs, Virginia Tech is four home runs away from tying the program's ACC-era record, as set during the 2017 season (84).
- The Hokies' 80 home runs are tied with Georgia Tech for the third most hit by an NCAA Division I program this spring, trailing the pace of No. 1 Tennessee (93) and Old Dominion (88).
- Shortstop Tanner Schobel and catcher Cade Hunter co-lead Tech with 13 home runs apiece while pacing the squad with 53 and 51 RBIs, respectively.
- On Tuesday, Hunter and Schobel were both named to *D1Baseball*'s list of the top six Draft Risers for the 2022 MLB Draft.

POLL VALUT

• Virginia Tech is ranked among the top 10 in five of the six major college baseball polls:

Perfect Game	No. 5
D1Baseball	No. 7
Baseball America	No. 9
NCBWA	No. 9
USA TODAY Coaches	No. 10
Collegiate Baseball	No. 26

HERE COME THE HOKIES

• In five short seasons under the direction of head coach John Szefc, Virginia Tech has emerged as a deserving ACC championship contender, having been ranked inside the top 10 of *D1Baseball's* top 25 rankings for two consecutive weeks.

LAST 10 SERIE	S MEETINGS		
Date	Result	Site	Location
April 24, 2007	L, 6-8	Н	Blacksburg, Va.
March 11, 2008	L, 3-10	Н	Blacksburg, Va.
March 25, 2008	W, 18-11	Α	Harrisonburg, Va.
March 31, 2009	W, 4-0	Α	Harrisonburg, Va.
April 8, 2009	W, 13-9	Н	Blacksburg, Va.
May 7, 2011	L, 5-7	Н	Blacksburg, Va.
May 8, 2011	W, 8-4	Н	Blacksburg, Va.
March 27, 2012	W, 6-4	Α	Harrisonburg, Va.
April 1, 2014	W, 11-5 (6)	Н	Blacksburg, Va.
March 15, 2022	L, 2-5	Α	Harrisonburg, Va.
Tech tr	ails series, 33-2	6 (Last 10	: Tech leads, 6-4)

- After their 0-4 start to league play, the Hokies have since won six consecutive ACC series with their 12-3 conference mark, chalking 18 victories during their last 21 games overall.
- Tech's No. 7 ranking marks the program's highest *D1Baseball* poll placement all-time, coming in four positions behind the current ACC leader, No. 3 Miami.
- Two weeks ago in Blacksburg, the Hokies' lineup shelled the division-leading Hurricanes for 25 runs while taking the opening two games of the teams' three-game series in Blacksburg. Tech averaged 14.0 hits per nine innings against Miami, rallying for three-plus runs on five occasions.
- The Hokies' recent swell of ACC success can also be attributed to starting right-handers Griffin Green and Drue Hackenberg.
- Since March 18, Tech is 10-1 when playing behind Green and Hackenberg – Green has toed a 4-0 record with a 3.18 ERA, 30 strikeouts and 11 walks during the stretch while Hackenberg has boasted a 5-0 record with a 2.19 ERA, 34 strikeouts and seven walks

HOME RUN STRETCHES

- Eduardo Malinowski: Seven home runs across first 10 games at Tech between Feb. 18 (Opening Day) and March 6.
- **Gavin Cross:** Six home runs across nine-game stretch between April 1 and April 12, featuring five home runs hit against No. 18 North Carolina and No. 21 NC State.
- Tanner Schobel: Seven home runs across eightgame stretch leading into Boston College series.

POSTSEASON RESUME

- As of April 26, Virginia Tech ranks No. 23 in the NCAA Division I Baseball RPI. The Hokies are 10-7 against top-50 RPI programs, including a 3-1 mark against the top 25 spots (results against Notre Dame and Miami).
- Tech is 7-6 against opponents ranked in *D1Baseball*'s top 25.

NATIONAL POWER RANKINGS

• Virginia Tech was well represented in D1Baseball's Week 6 Positional Power Rankings:

Catchers

No. 23 Cade Hunter

Second Basemen

No. 5 Eduardo Malinowski

Third Basemen

No. 18 Carson DeMartini

Shortstops

No. 24 Tanner Schobel

Outfielders

No. 3 Jack Hurley No. 19 Gavin Cross

OUICK FACTS

THE BASICS

University Name: Virginia Tech Location: Blacksburg, Va. Founded: 1872

Undergraduate enrollment: 29,760 Nickname: Hokies

Nickname: Hokies Mascot: HokieBird

Colors: Chicago Maroon & Burnt Orange Affiliation: NCAA Division I Conference: Atlantic Coast Conference

Division: Coastal

First Season (exp.): 2005 (18th year)
President: Dr. Timothy Sands
Director of Athletics: Whit Babcock

HOME BALLPARK

English Field at Atlantic Union Bank Park

Opened: 1989 Capacity: 4,000 Surface: AstroTurf

Dimensions: 330-375-400-375-330

PROGRAM HISTORY

First season: 1892

All-time record: 2,259-1,627-26 (.581) Single-season wins record: 50 (1982, 1985)

NCAA tournaments: 10 All-time record: 9-20

Last Regional berth: 2013 (Blacksburg) Super Regional berths: None College World Series berths: None

ACC tournaments: 5 All-time record: 5-6

Last appearance: 2021 (Charlotte)
Championships: None
Best finish: Runner-up (2013)
ACC regular season championships: None

Best finish: 6th (2010, 2013) ACC division championships: None Best finish: 3rd (2013, 2015)

MEDIA INFORMATION

MEDIA ACCESS/CREDENTIALS

Outlets interested in obtaining media access to cover Virginia Tech baseball home games must apply for credentials through **Mike Skovan** (media contact) via email at **mskovan@vt.edu**.

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

Gamedays: Virginia Tech head coach John Szefc and requested student-athletes will be available to the media on-field after the game following a 10-minute cooling-off period.

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



THE SZEFC FILE

Head Coach: 17th season, fifth at Tech Overall Record: 505-358-4 (.585) Record at Tech: 113-99 (.533) College: Drexel '89; Temple

Playing Exp: Connecticut (1986-87),

Drexel (1988-89)

Hometown: Middletown, N.Y.

Wife: Barbara

Children: Anna, John Michael, Sam

COACHING TIMELINE

OPPONENT	RECORD	POSITION
1990-93	Drexel	Assistant Coach
1995	Sacred Heart	Assistant Coach
1996-2002	Marist	Head Coach
2003-08	Louisiana	Assistant Coach
2009-10	Kansas	Assistant Head Coach
2011-12	Kansas State	Associate Head Coach
2013-17	Maryland	Head Coach
2018-pres.	Virginia Tech	Head Coach

BY LOCATION

LOCATION	CAREER	AT TECH
Home	250-131-1	68-44
Away	172-180-2	38-47
Neutral	83-47-1	7-8

2022 OPPONENTS

OPPONENT	CAREER	AT TECH
Boston College	9-9	7-5
Duke	4-8	2-7
East Carolina	1-3	1-0
ETSU	5-0	5-0
Fordham	5-0	3-0
Georgia Tech	6-13	4-11
High Point	4-4	2-0
James Madison	6-5-1	0-1
Kansas State	0-1	0-1
Liberty	12-6	2-4
Louisville	0-4	0-3
Marshall	6-0	6-0
Miami	5-11	4-8
North Carolina	6-14	5-7
NC State	8-8	3-6
Notre Dane	6-6	2-6
Pitt	12-4	9-3
Radford	7-1	7-1
UNC Asheville	3-0	3-0
Villanova	0-0	0-0
Virginia	6-13	3-7
VMI	6-1	6-1
Wright State	2-2	2-1

Virginia Tech Director of Athletics Whit Babcock announced the hiring of Tech's 25th head baseball coach on June 9, 2017 and formally introduced John Szefc as the head coach of the baseball program at a press conference a few days later on June 15. The 2021 season will mark his fourth as the Hokies' head coach.

In his first three seasons, Szefc (pronounced SHEFF) has coached the Hokies to a pair of seven-game winning streaks - one that opened the 2019 season and the second was in 2020, after the team started 1-3. Also in 2020, the team won 10 games in nonconference action, which included ending the shortened season on a nine-game winning streak, the longest since the team won 18 straight nonconference games in a row back in 2012.

The team also posted an 8-0 home record, the best start at the school since 2012, which helped the Hokies extend their home winning streak in the month of February to 15 straight victories. Added to the final win of 2019, Tech has won nine straight at home, the longest since an 11-game streak from April 28, 2015 through March 4, 2016, and will enter the 2021 season tied for the 12th longest home-win streak in the NCAA

After the shortened 2020 season, three players earned All-America distinction from Collegiate Baseball Newspaper as it recognized both pitcher lan Seymour and catcher Carson Taylor as Third Team selections, marking the first time Tech had multiple All-Americans since 2003. Outfielder Gavin Cross was later named to the All-American Freshman Team, just the seventh ever at the school. Also, despite just a five-round MLB Draft in 2020, the draft marked the first time in school history, two Tech players are chosen in the top four rounds as Seymour (2nd) and Taylor (4th) were selected.

Szefc, who won his 400th career game on March 10, 2018 guiding the Hokies to a 3-1 victory over Pittsburgh, accepted the head coaching position at Tech after leading Maryland to three NCAA appearances and a 180-122 (.596) overall record as the Terrapins' head coach. Before arriving in Blacksburg, Szefc owned a 392-259-3 (.602) career record in 12 seasons as an NCAA head coach, producing 10 campaigns with 30 or more wins.

In addition to ending a 43-year NCAA tournament drought and becoming the fastest coach to 100 career wins at Maryland, Szefc spent seven seasons (1996-2002) at the helm of the Marist College baseball program, where he led the team to four conference championships, four NCAA Regional appearances and a 212-137-3 (.607) overall mark. Szefc earned Northeastern Conference Coach of the Year honors in 1997 and was the American Baseball Coaches

Associate Northeast Region Coach of the Year in 2001.

The first coach in Maryland history to ever take the Terrapins to an NCAA Super Regional, Szefc accomplished the feat twice in 2014 and 2015 as he guided the program to the first two 40-win seasons in school history and claimed Maryland's first two NCAA Regional crowns. Maryland achieved a final No. 14 ranking both seasons, the highest finishes in school history.

He guided the Terrapins to the ACC Tournament final for the first time in 38 years in 2014 and then took Maryland to the Big Ten tournament final in the school's initial season in that conference, winning a program-best 42 games in 2015.

Szefc has coached 109 players that have been drafted or signed professional contracts since 1997, including four in 2018 and five in 2019. Over the last eight drafts, 36 of his players have been selected, including the 45th pick of the 2014 draft Jake Stinnett, the highest pick of a Maryland player in almost a decade. Almost a dozen have gone on to play in the Major Leagues, including most recently, Mike Shawaryn (Red Sox) and Lamonte Wade (Twins) in 2019. He has also helped develop 26 All-Americans, including 10 of the 20 players in Maryland history to earn that distinction

The Middletown, N.Y. native arrived at Maryland after a two-year stint as associate head coach and recruiting coordinator at Kansas State (2011-12) and a two-season stay as assistant head coach and recruiting coordinator at Kansas (2009-10). He also enjoyed a six-season tenure as an assistant coach and recruiting coordinator at Louisiana-Lafayette (2003-08). Szefc began his coaching career as an assistant at Sacred Heart (1995) and at Drexel (1990-93).

Szefc managed the New York Generals in the Atlantic College Baseball League during the summers of 1995 and 1996. He led the club to a 47-28 record, earned two consecutive division titles and the ACBL title game in 1996.

Collegiately, he played two years at Connecticut before transferring in 1987 to Drexel. During his senior campaign for the Dragons, he was tabbed an All-East Coast Conference outfielder.

He graduated from Drexel University with a degree in corporate communications in 1989. He also holds a master's degree in sports administration from Temple University.

Szefc and his wife, Barbara, have a daughter, Anna, and two sons, John Michael and Sam.

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Year	School	Overall	PCT	CONF	PCT	Finish	Postseason (Record)
1996	Marist	16-24-1	.402	8-13	.381	7th, Northeast	
1997	Marist	32-19	.627	14-7	.667	t-1st, Northeast	NCAA East Regional (0-2)
1998	Marist	30-17	.638	18-8	.692	2nd, MAAC North	
1999	Marist	27-23	.540	14-12	.538	3rd, MAAC North	
2000	Marist	33-19-2	.630	16-11	.593	4th, MAAC	NCAA Lafayette Regional (1-2)
2001	Marist	33-21-1	.609	17-10	.630	3rd, MAAC	NCAA Palo Alto Regional (1-2)
2002	Marist	41-14	.745	22-5	.815	1st, MAAC	NCAA Lincoln Regional (1-2)
2013	Maryland	30-25	.545	11-19	.367	4th, ACC Atlantic	
2014	Maryland	40-23	.635	15-14	.517	2nd, ACC Atlantic	NCAA Columbia Regional (3-0) NCAA Charlottesville Super Regional (1-2)
2015	Maryland	42-24	.636	14-10	.583	t-3rd, Big Ten	NCAA Los Angeles Regional (3-1) NCAA Charlottesville Super Regional (0-2)
2016	Maryland	30-27	.526	13-11	.542	t-6th, Big Ten	
2017	Maryland	38-23	.623	15-9	.625	5th, Big Ten	NCAA Winston-Salem Regional (1-2)
2018	Virginia Tech	21-33	.389	8-22	.267	7th, ACC Coastal	
2019	Virginia Tech	26-27	.491	9-21	.300	6th, ACC Coastal	
2020	Virginia Tech	11-5	.688	1-2	.333		
2021	Virginia Tech	27-25	.519	16-20	.444	7th, ACC Coastal	
2022	Virginia Tech	28-9	.757	12-7	.632		
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Mary	land (5 seasons)	180-122	.596	68-63	.519	3 NCAA	Regionals; 2 NCAA Super Regionals
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The Automated ScoreBook Overall Statistics for Virginia Tech (as of Apr 24, 2022) (All games Sorted by Batting avg)



Record: 28-9 Home: 19-4 Away: 9-5 ACC: 12-7

Player	avg	gp-gs	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	tb	slg%	bb	hp	so	gdp	ob%	sf	sh	sb-att	ро	а	е	fld%
31 Jack Hurley	.421	36-36	145	43	61	18	1	11	41	114	.786	22	2	33	1	.500	1	1	7-9	52	5	1	.983
8 Tanner Schobel	.367	37-37	147	47	54	10	1	13	53	105	.714	24	4	30	3	.456	5	0	6-6	41	112	7	.956
17 Cade Hunter	.366	36-35	134	27	49	12	0	13	51	100	.746	19	6	32	0	.460	2	0	10-11	283	32	3	.991
19 Gavin Cross	.358	35-35	148	48	53	11	5	9	29	101	.682	22	3	19	2	.451	0	0	7-7	71	1	0	1.000
24 Nick Biddison	.344	37-37	154	38	53	12	0	5	24	80	.519	24	3	35	1	.435	3	1	12-15	129	6	2	.985
4 Carson DeMartini	.317	37-36	126	35	40	8	2	10	28	82	.651	26	6	41	1	.453	1	0	2-5	26	70	6	.941
23 Eduardo Malinowski	.286	35-34	133	35	38	7	3	10	38	81	.609	17	6	33	3	.384	3	0	6-7	53	71	1	.992
12 Conor Hartigan	.231	30-27	104	14	24	8	1	4	23	46	.442	6	2	29	4	.283	1	0	2-4	22	0	0	1.000
9 Brennan Reback	.333	8-0	6	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	.333	1	1	3	0	.500	0	0	0-0	2	0	0	1.000
32 Lucas Donlon	.318	14-5	22	7	7	1	0	1	5	11	.500	3	0	5	0	.385	1	0	0-0	33	3	0	1.000
29 Carson Jones	.300	8-1	10	3	3	0	0	0	2	3	.300	1	0	1	0	.364	0	1	0-0	3	0	0	1.000
3 Christian Martin	.278	23-8	36	6	10	4	0	1	3	17	.472	9	0	9	2	.422	0	2	1-2	11	7	1	.947
37 Jonah Seagears	.250	5-0	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.250	0	0	0	0	.250	0	0	0-0	4	0	0	1.000
2 Sam Tackett	.237	25-11	38	9	9	0	0	1	5	12	.316	12	5	19	0	.456	2	0	0-0	24	1	0	1.000
33 Nick Holesa	.220	32-22	82	13	18	9	0	1	9	30	.366	9	2	26	0	.312	0	1	0-0	184	7	2	.990
5 Gehrig Ebel	.118	11-4	17	3	2	0	0	0	1	2	.118	2	1	8	1	.250	0	0	0-0	29	7	0	1.000
11 Cade Swisher	.095	14-4	21	3	2	0	0	1	3	5	.238	4	1	6	0	.259	1	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
18 Warren Holzemer	.000	7-0	3	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	.000	2	0	1	0	.400	0	0	0-0	1	1	0	1.000
25 Dylan Hatfield	.000	6-1	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	3	0	1	0	.600	0	0	0-0	19	0	0	1.000
Totals	.320	37	1332	336	426	100	13	80	316	792	.595	206	42	331	18	.421	20	6	53-66	1002	357	27	.981
Opponents	.265	37	1293	168	342	47	8	32	149	501	.387	143	41	350	27	.354	8	8	30-36	957	270	28	.978

LOB - Team (313), Opp (324). DPs turned - Team (30), Opp (21). CI - Team (1), C. Hunter 1.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	era	w-I	app gs	ca	sho	sv	qi	h	r	er	bb	so	2b	3b	hr	b/avg	qw	hp	bk :	sfa s	sha
15 Drue Hackenberg	2.10	8-0	10 9	0	0/0	0	60.0	58	19	14	10	55	3	2	5	.248	4	5	0	0	0
46 Griffin Green	3.44	6-1	10 10	0	0/2	0	52.1	53	20	20	15	43	5	1	4	.268	1	3	0	0	1
35 Ryan Metz	2.30	1-0	9 1	0	0/0	1	15.2	16	5	4	3	11	3	0	1	.258	0	1	0	0	0
49 Kiernan Higgins	2.53	1-0	13 0	0	0/0	3	21.1	14	8	6	13	29	1	0	2	.189	2	3	0	1	0
7 Sean Fisher	2.70	0-0	8 0	0	0/1	0	6.2	0	2	2	9	10	0	0	0	.000	0	5	0	0	0
47 Jonah Hurney	3.16	2-1	16 0	0	0/1	1	25.2	22	9	9	8	37	4	0	3	.227	4	5	0	1	0
48 Brady Kirtner	3.48	1-0	13 0	0	0/0	0	10.1	7	5	4	4	12	3	0	1	.189	1	0	0	0	0
22 Ryan Okuda	4.03	2-1	10 8	0	0/0	0	29.0	25	14	13	16	21	4	1	2	.234	3	3	0	2	1
51 Graham Firoved	4.26	1-0	14 0	0	0/1	1	25.1	23	12	12	14	41	2	1	2	.240	0	0	0	1	1
30 Jordan Geber	5.17	0-1	9 2	0	0/0	0	15.2	24	10	9	4	17	6	1	3	.348	2	1	0	0	0
40 Henry Weycker	5.27	5-1	16 1	0	0/0	0	27.1	28	16	16	12	22	2	0	3	.272	1	4	0	1	4
38 Ryan Kennedy	5.82	1-3	10 4	0	0/0	0	21.2	38	16	14	9	21	6	0	3	.400	1	5	0	1	1
44 Jackson Ritchey	9.53	0-1	6 2	0	0/0	0	5.2	6	6	6	3	8	0	0	1	.261	2	1	0	1	0
20 Grant Umberger	10.12	0-0	4 0	0	0/0	0	2.2	4	3	3	3	4	2	0	0	.333	2	1	0	0	0
39 Peter Sakellaris	11.57	0-0	5 0	0	0/0	0	4.2	7	6	6	5	1	1	2	0	.333	0	0	0	0	0
10 Tyler Dean	13.50	0-0	6 0	0	0/0	0	4.0	5	6	6	9	7	2	0	0	.294	3	2	0	0	0
27 Noah Johnson	13.50	0-0	2 0	0	0/0	0	1.1	2	2	2	3	0	1	0	0	.400	2	0	0	0	0
45 Christian Worley	17.36	0-0	6 0	0	0/0	0	4.2	10	9	9	3	11	2	0	2	.417	0	2	1	0	0
Totals	4.18	28-9	37 37	0	2/2	6	334.0	342	168	155	143	350	47	8	32	.265	28	41	1	8	8
Opponents	9.00	9-28	37 37	0	0/0	6	319.0	426	336	319	206	331	100	13	80	.320	43	42	4	20	6

PB - Team (12), C. Hunter 8, G. Ebel 2, D. Hatfield 2, Opp (7). Pickoffs - Team (6), R. Okuda 2, D. Hackenber 1, J. Geber 1, R. Metz 1, R. Kennedy 1, Opp (3).



The Automated ScoreBook Overall Statistics for Virginia Tech (as of Apr 24, 2022) (All games Sorted by Fielding pct)



Player	С	ро	а	е	fld%	dp	sba	csb	sba%	pb	ci
19 Gavin Cross	72	71	1	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
5 Gehrig Ebel	36	29	7	0	1.000	0	3	1	.750	2	0
32 Lucas Donlon	36	33	3	Ο	1.000	1	0	0		0	0
2 Sam Tackett	25	24	1	0	1.000	2	0	0		0	0
12 Conor Hartigan	22	22	0	Ο	1.000	Ο	0	0		0	0
25 Dylan Hatfield	19	19	0	0	1.000	0	0	0		2	0
15 Drue Hackenberg	14	2	12	Ο	1.000	0	2	1	.667	0	0
35 Ryan Metz	6	3	3	0	1.000	0	1	0	1.000	0	0
37 Jonah Seagears	4	4	0	Ο	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
29 Carson Jones	3	3	0	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
22 Ryan Okuda	3	0	3	Ο	1.000	Ο	0	0		0	0
46 Griffin Green	3	1	2	0	1.000	0	12	3	.800	0	0
47 Jonah Hurney	2	2	0	Ο	1.000	0	1	0	1.000	0	0
30 Jordan Geber	2	0	2	0	1.000	0	1	1	.500	0	0
39 Peter Sakellaris	2	0	2	0	1.000	Ο	Ο	0		0	0
9 Brennan Reback	2	2	0	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
51 Graham Firoved	2	1	1	0	1.000	Ο	4	0	1.000	0	0
18 Warren Holzemer	2	1	1	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
49 Kiernan Higgins	2	1	1	0	1.000	Ο	2	0	1.000	0	0
48 Brady Kirtner	1	1	0	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
23 Eduardo Malinowski	125	53	71	1	.992	18	Ο	0		0	0
17 Cade Hunter	318	283	32	3	.991	1	27	5	.844	8	1
33 Nick Holesa	193	184	7	2	.990	17	0	0		0	0
24 Nick Biddison	137	129	6	2	.985	9	0	0		0	0
31 Jack Hurley	58	52	5	1	.983	0	Ο	0		0	0
8 Tanner Schobel	160	41	112	7	.956	26	0	0		0	0
3 Christian Martin	19	11	7	1	.947	1	Ο	0		0	0
4 Carson DeMartini	102	26	70	6	.941	5	0	0		0	0
38 Ryan Kennedy	9	3	5	1	.889	1	2	1	.667	0	0
40 Henry Weycker	5	1	3	1	.800	1	0	0		0	0
45 Christian Worley	2	0	0	2	.000	0	0	0		0	0
7 Sean Fisher	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	1.000	0	0
10 Tyler Dean	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0		0	0
11 Cade Swisher	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0		0	0
27 Noah Johnson	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	1.000	0	0
20 Grant Umberger	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0		0	0
44 Jackson Ritchey	0	0	0	0	.000	0	3	0	1.000	0	0
Totals	1386	1002	357	27	.981	30	30	6	.833	12	1
Opponents	1255	957	270	28	.978	21	53	13	.803	7	0

Hitting minimums - 2.5 AB/Game 3.0 TPA/Game Pitching minimums - 1.0 IP/Game