

Flagrant Stats'

2018-19 NCAA Women's Basketball
Season Preview

Sample

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Glossary

I refer to a lot of statistics and use shorthand to refer to their names, to avoid having the same words appear on a page multiple times.

For information on how to calculate these stats, the best resource is <https://www.basketball-reference.com/about/glossary.html>

Individual Statistics

3PT Rate/three point rate – the percentage of field goals attempted that were tried from three point range; the higher this number, the more that someone's shots were from three.

AST%/assist percentage – estimated percentage of teammate field goals that a player assisted while on the floor; values over 20% are pretty good, with numbers over 30% being excellent.

BLK%/block percentage – estimated percentage of opponent two-point shots that a player blocked while on the floor; results over 3% are good, with numbers over 6% being very good.

BPM/box plus minus – an all-in-one statistic, that tries to break a player's contributions down into one number for cross comparison.

-2 is considered "replacement level." 0 is average. You can interpret positive values as indicating that player is that many points better than an average player over 100 possessions. For example, a player with a +3 BPM is considered 3 points per 100 possessions better than an average player.

This can be broken down into offensive box plus/minus and defensive box plus/minus.

BPM is one of the more complicated statistics.

DRB%/defensive rebounding percentage – estimated percentage of available defensive rebounds a player rebounded while on the floor; numbers over 15% are solid, with numbers over 20% being great.

eFG%/effective field goal percentage – an adjustment to a player's field goal percentage. It takes the normal field goal percentage formula (field goals made divided by field goals attempted) and increases the number of field goals made by one half of the number of three point field goals made.

Values over 50% are good, while numbers over 58%-60% are great.

FT rate/free throw rate – ratio of free throws attempted to field goals attempted; a higher number indicates that a player gets to the free throw line more often. Higher numbers are generally good, though a player's style of play should definitely be considered – three point specialists won't have many opportunities to draw fouls.

ORB%/offensive rebounding percentage – estimated percentage of available offensive rebounds a player rebounded while on the floor. Numbers over 8% are good, while numbers over 11% are great.

PER/player efficiency rating – a one-number statistic developed by John Hollinger. It considers many variables and attempts to adjust them for the norms of the season the player played in.

The value for an average player is around 15. Good players break 20; great players break 25; once you break 30, you're in pretty elite company.

STL%/steal percentage – estimated percentage of the opposition's possessions that ended with a steal recorded by the player in question. Numbers over 2.50% are good. Numbers over 5% are elite.

TOV%/turnover percentage – estimated number of turnovers per 100 plays the player was involved in. Players with higher usage and/or assist percentages tend to have higher turnover percentages.

TRB%/total rebounding percentage – estimated percentage of total rebounds grabbed by a player while on the floor; I don't reference this one because I consider defensive rebounding & offensive rebounding to be separate skills that are also dependent on how a player is used by a team.

TS%/true shooting percentage – adjusted field goal percentage that accounts for three point shooting and free throw shooting; the formula is essentially points scored divided by field goal attempts plus (0.44 times free throw attempts). The 0.44 number attempts to adjust for situations where a player doesn't take two free throws in a trip to the line. This stat gives preference to players that make 40% of three pointers versus those players that make 40% of two pointers, as the former player is creating more points per shot attempt.

Values over 55% are very good, while those over 60% are excellent.

I personally prefer this statistic to effective field goal percentage, as this incorporates scoring from free throws.

USG%/usage percentage – estimated of the number of team plays "used" by a player while on the floor; the higher this number is, the more central a player is to a team's offense.

Usage percentage and the scoring efficiency stats (true shooting percentage & effective field goal percentage) have an inverse relationship – the higher someone's usage rate is, the lower their scoring efficiency is, and vice versa. This applies to individual players on a game-to-game basis, albeit in a far more variable relationship.

VORP/value over replacement player – This statistic is an adjustment for box plus/minus based off of the percentage of possible minutes a player played. This tries to measure a player's production for a season, rather than a rate statistic. I don't reference this too much in this book.

Team Statistics

DRtg/Defensive rating – points allowed per 100 possessions. Lower is better, obviously.

ORTg/Offensive rating – points scored per 100 possessions. Higher is better.

Pace – an estimation of possessions a team averages per 40 minutes.

Rating difference – a team's offensive rating minus their defensive rating. This can be a quick estimation of how good a team was. Higher positive values indicate a better team.

In the team info boxes, I also refer to many of the individual statistics on a team level. Those definitions are the same.

About this book and the author

I've been a lifelong basketball fan, but only started paying attention to women's basketball over the past three years or so. I found I really enjoyed the sport. After last year's Final Four, I decided I wanted to learn more about basketball in general and the women's college basketball game in general.

I'm still learning about basketball. In writing this, I learned some things and realized how much more I have to learn.

This book is a very statistics-based look at the '18-'19 season. I hope to write a similar book for the 2019 WNBA season, as well as an expanded season preview for the 2019-2020 NCAA season. When I get to these, I hope to be able to spend more time watching games and incorporate that more into my writing.

Apologies to smaller conference teams, but doing this for the first time, I wasn't sure when to start. The answer was earlier. The most detail will be included in the ACC, American, Big East, Big 12, Big Ten, Pac-12, and SEC. I'm hoping to include the Atlantic 10 and MAC in this group, but they're on the cusp. Other conference will have shorter write-ups this year.

If you'd like to follow this project, you can follow me on Twitter @flagrantstats. My website is flagrantstats.com. You can expect more updates on Twitter.

Apologies for any errors I made in writing this.

Thank you for reading this and I hope you enjoy it.

About this preview

This preview contains a portion of my ACC chapter. It includes three team write-ups as well as a page specific to the conference's team records for the previous season and my projections for the following year. Finally, it includes leaderboards for a variety of statistics for the previous season.

Every conference will have a lead page that acts as a recap and presents my projected conference standings, as well as the leaderboards page.

"Major" conferences, for lack of a better term, will have team-specific write-ups similar in style to the ones presented in this sample.

The complete ACC chapter covers 37 pages and over 15000 words.

Atlantic Coast Conference

Projected 2018-19 Awards

Player of the Year: Jessica Shepard, Sr., Notre Dame	
All-Conference First Team: Asia Durr, Sr., Louisville Taylor Emery, Sr., Virginia Tech Marina Mabrey, Sr., Notre Dame Tiana Mangakahia, Jr., Syracuse Jessica Shepard, Sr., Notre Dame	All-Conference Second Team: Sam Fuehring, Sr., Louisville Kiah Gillespie, RS Jr., Florida State Haley Gorecki, RS Jr., Duke Arike Ogunbowale, Sr., Notre Dame Jackie Young, Jr., Notre Dame

Projected 2018-19 Order of Finish	
1. Notre Dame	9. Miami
2. Louisville	10. Pittsburgh
3. Duke	11. Wake Forest
4. North Carolina State	12. Virginia
5. Virginia Tech	13. North Carolina
6. Florida State	14. Clemson
7. Syracuse	15. Boston College
8. Georgia Tech	---

2017-18 Standings		
Team	Conference record	Overall record
Louisville	15-1	35-2
Notre Dame	15-1	35-3
Florida State	12-4	27-6
NC State	11-5	26-9
Duke	11-5	24-9
Miami	10-6	21-11
Virginia	10-6	19-14
Syracuse	10-6	22-9
Virginia Tech	6-10	23-13
Georgia Tech	6-10	19-14
Wake Forest	5-11	14-17
North Carolina	4-12	15-16
Boston College	2-14	7-23
Pittsburgh	2-14	10-20
Clemson	1-15	11-18

Duke Blue Devils

2017-18 record: 24-9, 11-5 ACC, tied for 4th place

Postseason: lost in NCAA Sweet Sixteen to UConn

Head coach: Joanne P. McCallie

Career record: 618-228, 26 years (previous schools: Maine, Michigan State)

Record at Duke: 302-80, 11 years

Duke's embarrassment of riches continued on the women's side for yet another year, with McCallie's squad reaching the Sweet Sixteen for the seventh time in her eleventh year on the Blue Devils sideline. This came after two of McCallie's worst seasons in Durham, as she missed the NAAs in 2016 and was bounced in the second round in 2017. She's only missed the tournament once and has failed to make it out of the first weekend three times.

McCallie announced she was taking a leave of absence for health-related issues in April of 2018 which lasted through the end of June. She was also cleared by a 2016 school investigation for alleged mistreatment of players. The transfers related to that investigation have, for now, stopped, with all major contributors from last season staying or graduating. The off-court questions appear to have been settled for now.

What remains is the question of how will they replace the players they lost. The loss of Lexie Brown, who was fantastic and was the top player in the ACC in VORP and PER, will have a huge impact. Rebecca Greenwell and Erin Mathias were second and fourth on the team in VORP, respectively. That leaves Leonna Odom, a solid forward who can be a secondary creator, rebounds well, scores efficiently, and blocks shots. If Haley Gorecki is able to return at full strength, she'll definitely buoy the team but she has to be considered a health risk with her history. Mikayla Boykin is showed promise in her first year, but she also has an extensive injury history going back to high school. The entering freshman class could have four players that can make an immediate impact, and the rest of the returning players show enough promise where they could step up. With that in mind, this is a team with enough question marks where it's not hard to see the results being closer to 2017 than 2018.

Team Stats	
Offensive rating: 104.0, 41 st	Defensive rating: 83.9, 47 th
Rating difference: +20.1, 24 th	Pace: 67.1, 302 nd
Offensive TS%: 54.3%, 33 rd	Opponent TS%: 44.3%, 18 th
Offensive eFG%: 51.2%, 24 th	Opponent eFG%: 41.5%, 33 rd
Own FT rate: 0.286, 175 th	Opponent FT rate: 0.202, 9 th
Own 3PT rate: 0.292, 222 nd	Opponent 3PT rate: 0.410, 344 th
Own TO%: 19.4%, 194 th	Opponent TO%: 20.3%, 126 th
Own ORB%: 36.7%, 60 th	Opponent ORB%: 32.8%, 198 th

Losses:

Graduating seniors: Lexie Brown, 5'9" guard – 33 G, all starts, 35.3 MPG; 33.6 PER, 14.7 BPM, 13.85 VORP; first team All-ACC and ACC Defensive PotY (6.23% STL%); great distributor as well (27.9% AST% vs. 15.7% TO%); drafted 9th overall in 2018 WNBA draft by Connecticut Sun; **Bego Faz Davalos**, 6'3" center – 31 G, 11 starts, 11.3 MPG; great rebounder (10.6% ORB%, 15.4% DRB%) who also blocked a ton of shots (7.66% BLK%); **Rebecca Greenwell**, 6'1" guard – second team All-ACC per Blue Ribbon panel and coaches; a super efficient scorer (59.0% TS%) who also grabbed a lot

of defensive boards (18.0% DRB%) and recorded a fair number of steals (3.40% STL%); shot a nice 73-170 from 3; 3rd round draft pick by Washington Mystics; **Erin Mathias**, 6'3" forward/center – 33 G, all starts, 29.4 MPG; another strong rebounder (10.2% ORB%, 12.2% DRB%); keyed the fourth best D in the ACC by defensive rating

Returning players:

Jayda Adams, 6'0" sophomore guard – 33 G, no starts, 13.1 MPG; didn't shoot well and had a high turnover rate (31.4% TO%)

Mikayla Boykin, 5'9" sophomore guard – 10 G, 8 starts, 24.0 MPG; missed most of the season with an unspecified left knee injury; will be ready around the start of November; this was her third major knee injury in the past four years, per Fayetteville Observer article; did well creating for others (23.1% AST%) but struggled with a high turnover rate (25.3% TO%)

Haley Gorecki, 6'0" redshirt junior guard – 23 G, 13 starts, 25.0 MPG; suffered a left hip injury after previously missing a season and a half with a right hip injury; effectively replaced Boykin after her injury; should be ready for the start of practice; was a very effective scorer, shooting 44-104 from 3, which were more than half of her FG tries; also had a high assist rate and controlled turnovers (23.4% ASG%, 17.9% TO%); was a very solid defensive rebounder for a guard as well (14.2% DRB%)

Kyra Lambert, 5'9" redshirt junior guard – missed all of 2017-18 after tearing her left ACL in the first game of the 2017 NCAA Tournament; should be ready around the start of November; started 33 Gs in '16-'17, averaging 30.1 MPG, 7.8 PPG, 3.5 APG

Leonna Odom, 6'2" junior forward – 33 G, 27 starts, 29.9 MPG; fairly effective scorer (54.4% TS%); very solid rebounder (14.3% DRB%, 8.9% ORB%); shot 59.7% from the free throw line, but did decently well at getting there

Sofia Roma, 6'2" redshirt senior center – 12 G, 0 starts, 5.9 MPG; great rebounder (14.6% DRB%, 10.4% ORB%); only took 12 FGs all year

Emily Schubert, 6'4" redshirt sophomore center – 6 G, 0 starts, 2.0 MPG; was a 2.5 star recruit in 2016 per Prospects Nation

Faith Suggs, 6'1" senior forward/guard – 31 G, 7 starts, 11.3 MPG; 47.2% eFG% on 12.2% USG%, which is decent; shot 6-18 on 3s, which could potentially be a growth area?

Madison Treece, 6'4" sophomore forward – 17 G, 0 starts, 5.5 MPG; numbers were very limited but did show a good ability to get to the FT line (13 FTAs vs 21 FGAs) which may be real

Jade Williams, 6'5" sophomore forward/center – 33 G, 8 starts, 14.8 MPG; All-ACC Freshmen as voted on by the Blue Ribbon Panel and by coaches; shot fairly well (52.3% eFG%) and took FTs regularly, though she only made 37.5% on 40 tries; monster numbers in blocks (9.57% BLK%), and did well with rebounding (12.4% DRB%, 10.7% ORB%)

Additions:

Onome Akinbode-James, 6'3" freshman forward/center – helped Blair Academy (NJ) win the state prep championship; ESPN HoopGurlz 4-star recruit, ranked 77th overall

Rayah Craig, 5'10" freshman guard – Desert Mountain (AZ) point guard who guided them to the state tournament and made all-conference first team; ESPN HoopGurlz 4-star recruit, ranked 84th overall

Miela Goodchild, 5'10" freshman guard – member of the Australian U17 and U19 teams, the former of which won the gold medal in 2016 and beat the U.S. in the semi-finals; she averaged 8.5 MPG in 2016, getting a DNP vs. the U.S.

Uchenna Nwoke, 6'6" freshman center – South Grand Prairie (TX) post player who could have an immediate defensive impact but needs to improve on offense; ESPN HoopGurlz 3-star recruit, ranked 64th overall by Prospect Nation

Florida State Seminoles
2017-18 record: 27-6, 12-4 ACC, 3rd place
Postseason: lost in NCAAs 2nd round to Buffalo

Head coach: Sue Semrau

Career record: 405-240, 22 years

Record at Florida State: same

A senior-dominated team peaked at #9 in the polls and finished tied for second in the ACC regular season. They lost to Notre Dame in the semis of the conference tournament. After blowing out Arkansas-Little Rock in the first round of the NCAA Tournament, they lost at home by 21 to Buffalo. Despite the sour ending, FSU had a great season, giving Sue Semrau's squad 112 wins over the last four seasons.

The problem she now faces is replacing those graduating stars. 158 out of 165 possible starts were given to the outgoing seniors, a group which included two WNBA draft picks (Shakayla Thomas and Imani Wright). Both Thomas and Wright were also first-team All-ACC. This comes after the previous season, where three of their five main starters were also seniors - Brittany Brown, Ivey Slaughter, and Leticia Romero.

Semrau is looking for a fast rebuild. The freshman recruiting class is five-deep, with each one being featured in the ESPN HoopGurlz Top 100 and four of them in the top 20. They also get Kiah Gillespie on the floor; Gillespie, who transferred in from Maryland a year ago, is now eligible to suit up for the Seminoles. Saywani Lassiter, who was part of last year's recruiting class but missed the season with a knee injury, is now healthy.

Of the returning players, only Nicki Ekhomu and Nausia Woolfork got notable playing time. Both weren't overly efficient in terms of scoring, but Ekhomu showed an ability to create for others in at least a secondary role and Woolfork created defensive rebounds and steals.

FSU's newly eligible or healthy players show an enormous amount of promise, but they lack experience. I'd expect them to fall off from last year's record, but I could see them finish anywhere from under-.500 in the ACC or fighting for a top four seed in the conference tournament. With their roster's pedigrees and Semrau's history, something closer to the latter seems more realistic.

Team Stats	
Offensive rating: 112.1, 8 th	Defensive rating: 86.2, 72 nd
Rating difference: +25.9, 9 th	Pace: 72.9, 72 nd
Offensive TS%: 54.5%, 29 th	Opponent TS%: 48.0%, 108 th
Offensive eFG%: 50.9%, 32 nd	Opponent eFG%: 44.1%, 114 th
Own FT rate: 0.295, 151 st	Opponent FT rate: 0.254, 87 th
Own 3PT rate: 0.300, 199 th	Opponent 3PT rate: 0.325, 200 th
Own TO%: 15.2%, 322 nd	Opponent TO%: 18.9%, 185 th
Own ORB%: 41.4%, 8 th	Opponent ORB%: 28.3%, 37 th

Losses:

Graduating seniors: AJ Alix, 5'6" guard - 32 G, all starts, 29.6 MPG; efficient scorer with 56.8% TS% on a decently high usage (19.8% USG%); huge assist rate (34.8% AST%), with a respectable turnover rate (21.7% TO%); shot 65-177 from 3; signed to play in Greece; **Ama Degbeon**, 6'2" center - 33 G, 32 starts, 26.4 MPG; very efficient scorer at 66.7% TS% as a low usage player (10.5% USG%); 21.8%

of her possessions came on putbacks per Synergy Sports; strong rebounder (14.0% DRB%, 12.3% ORB%); signed with a Swedish team for 2018-19; **Shakayla Thomas**, 5'11" forward – 33 G, 31 starts, 26.5 MPG; First Team All-ACC per Blue Ribbon panel and coaches; great defensive rebounder (18.0% DRB%); shot 53.6% TS% with a huge usage rate (31.4% USG%); 2nd round WNBA draft pick; joining Israel's Maccabi Raanana; **Chatrice White**, 6'3" center – 33 G, 31 starts, 23.9 MPG; shot 53.3% TS%, 45.9% eFG%; great rebounder (21.9% DRB%, 12.3% ORB%); took 106 FTs vs. 232 FGs, which is a good rate; also shot 79.2% from the line; signed with Celje of Slovenia; **Imani Wright**, 5'9" guard – 32 G, 32 starts, 33.2 MPG; First Team All-ACC per Blue Ribbon panel and coaches; shot 53.4% TS% on 23.3% USG%; 3rd round WNBA draft pick

Returning players:

Nicki Ekhomu, 5'9" junior guard – 33 G, 5 starts, 26.9 MPG; 46.8% eFG% with 18.6% USG%; FT rate of 0.608 and a FT% of 81.6% added an extra level of excellence to her offensive game; 15.3% AST% vs 18.3% TO%

Saywani "Say Say" Lassiter, 5'10" redshirt freshman guard – did not play in 2017-18 due to preseason knee injury; was ranked a four-star recruit by Prospects Nation

Iho Lopez, 6'2" redshirt sophomore forward – 24 G, 0 starts, 7.5 MPG; shot poorly (33.3% eFG%) on low 11.3% USG%

Savannah Wilkinson, 5'11" sophomore guard – 24 G, 0 starts, 9.1 MPG; 59.4% eFG% on low 13.0% USG%; decent rebounder at 11.7% DRB%, 6.35% ORB%; shot 13-30 from 3

Nausia Woolfolk, 5'9" junior guard – 32 G, 2 starts, 24.8 MPG; 44.5% eFG% on 20.4% USG%, which wasn't great; solid 14.0% DRB%; led team with 3.35% STL%

Additions:

Amaya Brown, 5'11" freshman guard – Cibola (NM) point guard; lauded for her slashing and defensive skills; missed her junior year of high school with a torn ACL; two-time Gatorade New Mexico PotY; ESPN HoopGurlz four-star recruit, ranked 99th overall

Kiah Gillespie, 6'2" redshirt junior forward – transfer from Maryland, where she had limited playing time; was a 2015 McDonald's All-American; two-time Gatorade Connecticut PotY; was Prospect Nation's #14 recruit in 2015; will be eligible in '18-'19

Morgan Jones, 6'2" freshman guard – Our Lady of Mercy (GA) product; selected to All-USA Georgia First Team; ESPN HoopGurlz four-star recruit, ranked 19th overall

Valencia Myers, 6'3" freshman forward – Solon (OH) product; selected for McDonald's All-American Game; ESPN HoopGurlz four-star recruit, ranked 13th overall

Izabela Nicoletti, 5'10" freshman guard – Neuse Baptist Christian (NC) product; native of Brazil; McDonald's All-American; ESPN HoopGurlz five-star recruit, ranked 16th overall

Kourtney Weber, 5'10" freshman guard – Ursuline Academy (LA) product; 2018 Miss Basketball Louisiana; ESPN HoopGurlz five-star recruit, ranked 14th overall

Louisville Cardinals
2017-18 record: 35-2, 15-1 ACC, tied for 1st place
Postseason: lost in NCAA Final Four to Mississippi State

Head coach: Jeff Walz

Career record: 299-96, 11 years

Record at Louisville: same

It's not hard to see where Louisville could have ended up cutting down the nets last March. Instead, a Roshuna Johnson three pointer tied the Cardinals' Final Four game, sending it to overtime. A 10% FG% in the extra period sunk their hopes of getting to the title game. Losing their top post player, Sam Fuehring, after she fouled out late in the fourth with a technical assess for slapping the floor was a contributing (and seemingly unnecessary) factor.

For '18-'19, though, almost every single key contributor returns to this team. They lose starter Myisha Hines-Allen and bench regular Sydney Zambrotta, but retain every single player beyond that. And with all of that returning talent, they're adding even more with two five-star recruits, another three-star, plus graduate transfer Yacine Diop.

Diop was a star for the Pittsburgh Panthers on a roster which struggled to produce in '17-'18. She created for others, was a solid rebounder, rejected shots and recorded steals, and was a fairly effective scorer with a monster usage rate (33.0%). She should immediately fill in for Hines-Allen, who was a dominant force in the post for the Cards last year.

There's little reason to think Louisville won't duplicate their deep run into the tournament this year, and they're certainly one of the top picks to take it all home.

Team Stats	
Offensive rating: 109.3, 20 th	Defensive rating: 80.0, 14 th
Rating difference: +29.2, 4 th	Pace: 70.0, 185 th
Offensive TS%: 56.5%, 15 th	Opponent TS%: 45.9%, 41 st
Offensive eFG%: 53.3%, 13 th	Opponent eFG%: 42.1%, 49 th
Own FT rate: 0.256, 270 th	Opponent FT rate: 0.283, 169 th
Own 3PT rate: 0.274, 264 th	Opponent 3PT rate: 0.321, 184 th
Own TO%: 16.7%, 62 nd	Opponent TO%: 21.5%, 73 rd
Own ORB%: 36.2%, 76 th	Opponent ORB%: 27.8%, 26 th

Losses:

Graduating senior: Myisha Hines-Allen, 6'2" forward – 39 G, all starts, 27.1 MPG, 14.0 PPG, 9.6 RPG; shot 54.6% TS% on 26.9% USG%, 31.9 PER; first team All-ACC per Blue Ribbon panel and coaches

Transferred: Sydney Zambrotta, 5'9" sophomore guard – 33 G, 1 start, 10.4 MPG, 3.4 PPG; shot 50.7% TS% on 18.5% USG%, 13.0 PER; moved to George Washington

Returning players:

Arica Carter, 5'8" redshirt senior guard – 38 G, all starts, 30.8 MPG, 7.6 PPG, 4.0 APG, 2.9 RPG, 1.4 SPG; shot 56.2% TS% on 13.7% USG%, 16.7 PER; second on team with 20.2% AST% versus a slightly high 21.3% TO%

Bionca Dunham, 6'2" junior forward – 39 G, 0 starts, 11.4 MPG, 4.6 PPG, 2.7 RPG; shot 68.2% TS% on 18.4% USG%, 23.4 PER; second on team with 3.38% BLK%; led team with 13.4% ORB%

Asia Durr, 5'10" senior guard – 38 G, all starts, 31.3 MPG, 18.7 PPG, 3.1 RPG, 1.0 SPG; shot 58.9% TS% on 27.9% USG%, 28.6 PER; first team All-ACC per Blue Ribbon panel and coaches

Lindsey Duvall, 5'9" redshirt freshman guard – did not play last season

Dana Evans, 5'6" sophomore guard – 39 G, 1 start, 21.0 MPG, 5.1 PPG, 3.4 APG, 1.1 SPG, 2.0 RPG; shot 45.3% TS% on 17.5% USG%, 13.4 PER; led team with 25.4% AST%, though 24.1% TO% was a bit high; did struggle with scoring efficiency; second on the team with 3.03% STL%; All-ACC Freshman Team per Blue Ribbon panel and coaches

Sam Fuehring, 6'3" senior forward – 39 G, 38 starts, 26.7 MPG, 9.9 PPG, 5.4 RPG; shot 62.9% TS% on 17.6% USG%, 22.4 PER; third on team in DRB% (14.0%) and second in ORB% (9.23%)

Jazmine Jones, 6'0" junior guard – 39 G, all starts, 26.8 MPG, 8.9 PPG, 4.6 RPG, 1.5 SPG; shot 57.1% TS% on 18.2% USG%, 20.1 PER; led team with 3.21% STL%

Loretta Kakala, 6'2" redshirt freshman center – 4 G, 0 starts, 10.8 MPG, 3.0 PPG, 3.0 RPG; shot 37.5% TS% on 21.8% USG%, 6.0 PER

Jessica Laemmle, 5'2" junior guard – 25 G, 0 starts, 6.4 MPG, 0.9 PPG; shot 59.4% TS% on 8.6% USG%, 9.3 PER

Kylee Shook, 6'4" junior forward – 39 G, 1 start, 13.9 MPG, 4.9 PPG, 3.6 RPG, 1.3 BPG; shot 53.2% TS% on 19.2% USG%, 22.3 PER; second on team with 21.7% DRB%; recorded very nice 8.10% ORB%

Additions:

Yacine Diop, 5'10" redshirt senior forward – graduate transfer from Pittsburgh; finished as Pitt's all-time leading scorer and rebounder; missed 2016-17 due to injury; '17-'18 season: 30 G, 30 starts, 30.5 MPG, 15.7 PPG, shot 48.4% TS% on 33.0% USG%, 22.2 PER; 21.5% AST% led Pitt; 8.04% ORB% was second on team; was third with 2.64% STL%; easily led the team in usage

Molly Lockhart, 6'1" freshman forward – 3-star recruit per ESPNW HoopGurlz; finalist for Kentucky's 2018 Miss Basketball award after career at Butler (KY); named first-team all-state by Louisville Courier-Journal

Seygan Robins, 5'10" freshman guard – 5-star recruit per ESPNW HoopGurlz; won 2018 Kentucky Miss Basketball; won two state championships with Mercer County (KY) junior & senior years

Mykasa Robinson, 5'7" freshman guard – 5-star recruit per ESPNW HoopGurlz; also a finalist for the Kentucky Miss Basketball, playing for Blazer (KY); missed most of junior year due to surgery on ACL in the offseason

ACC 2017-18 Leaderboards

All leaderboards require 300+ minutes played, unless otherwise stated.

Minutes per Game		Points per Game	
Jamie Cherry, UNC	38.1	Arike Ogunbowale, ND	20.8
Paris Kea, UNC	37.4	Leixe Brown, Duke	19.4
Taylor Koenen, UNC	35.5	Paris Kea, UNC	19.4
Lexie Brown, Duke	35.3	Asia Durr, Louisville	18.7
Milan Bolden-Morris, BC	35.0	Taylor Emery, Virginia Tech	18.5
Jackie Young, ND	34.4	Shakayla Thomas, FSU	17.8
Regan Magarity, Virginia Tech	34.4	Tiana Mangakhia, Syracuse	17.5
Arike Ogunbowale, ND	34.3	Imani Wright, FSU	16.3
Marina Mabrey, ND	34.3	Elisa Penna, Wake Forest	15.8
Aislinn Konig, NC State	34.2	Yacine Diop, Pitt	15.7

True Shooting % (min. 120 FGA)		Effective field goal % (min. 120 FGA)	
Ama Degbeon, FSU	66.7%	Kalista Walters, Pitt	66.7%
Kalista Walters, Pitt	65.1%	Ama Degbeon, FSU	64.9%
Kathryn Westbeld, ND	64.5%	Kristina Nelson, ND	62.0%
Kristina Nelson, ND	64.4%	Kathryn Westbeld, ND	61.2%
Sam Fuehring, Louisville	62.9%	Miranda Drummond, Syracuse	58.9%
Miranda Drummond, Syracuse	62.4%	Sam Fuehring, Louisville	58.8%
Taylor Emery, Virginia Tech	61.1%	Rebecca Greenwell, Duke	56.5%
Marina Mabrey, ND	59.5%	Jessica Shepard, ND	56.5%
Jessica Shepard, ND	59.3%	Taylor Emery, Virginia Tech	56.2%
Rebecca Greenwell, Duke	59.0%	Marina Mabrey, ND	55.9%
Asia Durr, Louisville	58.9%	Alayna Gribble, Pitt	55.8%
Lexie Brown, Duke	58.7%	Erykah Davenport, Miami	54.9%
Jackie Young, ND	58.28%	Asia Durr, Louisville	54.9%
Erykah Davenport, Miami	58.27%	Arica Carter, Louisville	54.5%
Jazmine Jones, Louisville	57.1%	AJ Alix, FSU	54.5%
Alayna Gribble, Pitt	56.9%	Lexie Brown, Duke	53.6%
AJ Alix, FSU	56.8%	Myisha Hines-Allen, Louisville	53.3%
Nicki Ekhomu, FSU	56.5%	Jackie Young, ND	53.3%
Akela Maize, NC State	56.3%	Haley Gorecki, Duke	53.2%
Paris Kea, UNC	56.21%	Aisha Sheppard, Virginia Tech	53.2%

Defensive rebounding %		Offensive rebounding %	
Myisha Hines-Allen, Louisville	27.46%	Ona Udoh, Wake Forest	15.35%
Erika Cassell, NC State	26.28%	DD Rogers, NC State	15.23%
Chelsea Nelson, NC State	24.79%	Erykah Davenport, Miam	14.76%
Emma Guy, Boston College	24.45%	Zaire O'Neil, Georgia Tech	14.20%
Felicia Aiyetotan, Virginia	22.46%	Bonica Dunham, Louisville	13.43%
Michelle Berry, Virginia Tech	22.18%	Jocelyn Jones, UNC	13.28%
Chatrice White, FSU	21.94%	Erika Cassell, NC State	12.93%
Kylee Shook, Louisville	21.65%	Myisha Hines-Allen, Louisville	12.65%
Tyra Whitehead, Wake Forest	20.42%	Ama Degbeon, FSU	12.34%
Erykah Davenport, Miami	20.40%	Chatrice White, FSU	12.30%

Block %		Steal %	
Kylee Shook, Louisville	10.12%	Chanette Hicks, Virginia Tech	6.46%
Tylar Bennett, Clemson	9.98%	Imani Tilford, Georgia Tech	6.37%
Felicia Aiyetotan, Virginia	9.86%	Lexie Brown, Duke	6.23%
Jade Williams, Duke	9.57%	Aliyah Collier, Clemson	5.48%
Akela Maize, NC State	8.14%	Danielle Edwards, Clemson	4.99%
Bego Faz Davalos, Duke	7.66%	Keyanna Harris, Miami	4.53%
Ona Udoh, Wake Forest	7.66%	Tiana Mangakahia, Syracuse	4.16%
Raegyn Branch, Wake Forest	6.85%	Kaylan Pugh, Georgia Tech	4.10%
Chatrice White, FSU	6.77%	Tyra Whitehead, Wake Forest	3.89%
Digna Strautmene, Syracuse	6.55%	Kauai Bradley, Pitt	3.78%

Usage % (min. 120 FGA)			
Player	Usage %	TS%	eFG%
Yacine Diop, Pitt	33.02	48.4%	45.4%
Shakayla Thomas, FSU	31.37	53.6%	51.8%
Tiana Mangakhia, Syracuse	29.74	54.8%	47.4%
Jaia Alexander, Clemson	29.67	43.0%	35.5%
Kobi Thornton, Clemson	28.86	44.3%	42.8%
Leixe Brown, Duke	28.43	58.7%	53.6%
Aliyah Collier, Clemson	28.35	42.7%	37.2%
Asia Durr, Louisville	27.92	58.9%	54.9%
Arike Ogunbowale, ND	27.81	53.7%	49.2%
Elisa Penna, Wake Forest	27.02	49.7%	45.7%
Myisha Hines-Allen, Louisville	26.85	54.6%	53.3%
Chelsea Nelson, NC State	26.12	51.1%	44.9%
Mykea Gray, Miami	26.00	48.6%	43.3%
Zaire O'Neil, Georgia Tech	25.87	54.7%	51.7%
Dominique Toussaint, Virginia	25.57	47.9%	44.4%
Kaylan Pugh, Georgia Tech	25.47	48.6%	39.5%
Chanette Hicks, Virginia Tech	25.38	52.2%	46.8%
Paris Kea, UNC	25.34	56.2%	53.1%
Francesca Pan, Georgia Tech	24.99	48.3%	43.9%
Taylor Ortlepp, BC	24.67	48.0%	42.9%

Player Efficiency Rating (PER)		Box Plus Minus (BPM)	
Lexie Brown, Duke	33.62	Lexie Brown, Duke	14.66
Shakayla Thomas, FSU	31.91	Myisha Hines-Allen, Louisville	10.69
Myisha Hines-Allen, Louisville	31.88	Marina Mabrey, ND	10.06
Jessica Shepard, ND	30.39	Chanette Hicks, Virginia Tech	9.79
Taylor Emery, Virginia Tech	29.69	Jackie Young, ND	9.77
Arike Ogunbowale, ND	28.89	Rebecca Greenwell, Duke	9.46
Asia Durr, Louisville	28.57	Kathryn Westbeld, ND	9.45
Erykah Davenport, Miami	28.54	Jessica Shepard, ND	9.41
Tiana Mangakahia, Syracuse	28.25	Sam Fuehring, Louisville	9.22
Chanette Hicks, Virginia Tech	27.95	Taylor Emery, Virginia Tech	9.10
Zaire O'Neil, Georgia Tech	27.31	Kylee Shook, Louisville	9.05
Tyra Whitehead, Wake Forest	25.58	Arica Carter, Louisville	9.03
Rebecca Greenwell, Duke	25.10	Asia Durr, Louisville	8.85
Paris Kea, UNC	25.07	Zaire O'Neil, Georgia Tech	8.79
Jackie Young, ND	25.01	Jazmine Jones, Louisville	8.75
Chatrice White, FSU	24.95	Erin Mathias, Duke	8.74
Haley Gorecki, Duke	24.52	Ama Degbeon, FSU	8.69
Miranda Drummond, Syracuse	23.92	Chatrice White, FSU	8.63
Chelsea Nelson, NC State	23.61	Leaonna Odom, Duke	8.49
AJ Alix, FSU	23.47	Haley Gorecki, Duke	8.49

Offensive BPM		Defensive BPM	
Lexie Brown, Duke	12.52	Tylar Bennett, Clemson	5.45
Asia Durr, Louisville	12.31	Aliyah Collier, Clemson	4.93
Taylor Emery, Virginia Tech	9.88	Kalista Walters, Pitt	4.84
AJ Alix, FSU	9.87	Felicia Aiyetan, Virginia	4.32
Myisha Hines-Allen, Louisville	9.70	Bego Faz Davalos, Duke	4.17
Imani Wright, FSU	9.57	Jade Williams, Duke	3.82
Arica Carter, Louisville	9.54	Akela Maize, NC State	3.43
Rebecca Greenwell, Duke	9.38	Chanette Hicks, Virginia Tech	3.32
Arike Ogunbowale, ND	9.20	Danielle Edwards, Clemson	3.31
Marina Mabrey, ND	9.14	Kauai Bradley, Pitt	3.05

Assist % Leaders (vs. TO%)			
Player	AST%	TO%	AST:TO
Tiana Mangakahia, Syracuse	60.4%	26.3%	1.73
Chanette Hicks, Virginia Tech	42.8%	21.7%	1.77
AJ Alix, FSU	34.8%	21.7%	2.26
Jasmine Whitney, Pitt	30.8%	24.1%	1.60
Dominique Toussaint, Virginia	28.7%	20.5%	1.21
Lexie Brown, Duke	27.9%	15.7%	1.43
Paris Kea, UNC	27.3%	15.9%	1.48
Gina Conti, Wake Forest	26.6%	28.3%	1.50
Dana Evans, Louisville	25.4%	24.1%	1.91
Kaila Ealey, NC State	24.8%	21.6%	1.66