



What do Nolan Richardson, Tubby Smith and Bill Self have in common? As any Golden Hurricane fan knows, they all made stops in Tulsa before winning a national title elsewhere. The Hurricane's recent coaching lineage, which also includes J.D. Barnett, Steve Robinson, Buzz Peterson, John Phillips and now Doug Wojcik, is a huge reason why Tulsa ranks among the Southwest's best teams of the past three decades, with 19 postseason trips since 1981.

BEST TEAM: 1999-2000 No pain, no gain. The Golden Hurricane's four regular-season losses (three to Fresno State) all came on the last possession, which toughened them up for a magical Tournament run. Despite starting just one player over 6'5", Self's balanced squad blew through UNLV, Cincinnati and Miami before going down in the Elite Eight to North Carolina, 59-55.

BEST PLAYER: G SHEA SEALS (1993-97) Tulsa had never won a Tournament game before Seals arrived. All the shooting guard did was lead the team to four straight Big Dances, including Sweet 16 appearances in 1994 and '95. He also finished as the school's all-time leading scorer while playing airtight defense. Almost 10 years after his final game, Seals kept his promise to his mom and received his degree from Tulsa in 2006.

BEST COACH: NOLAN RICHARDSON (1980-85) Tulsa took a chance on Richardson after he led Western Texas

to a national junior college title in 1980, and reaped the benefits immediately by winning the 1981 NIT title over Syracuse. Three NCAA Tournament trips and a second NIT bid followed. Richardson donned polka-dot shirts and cowboy boots, and developed the up-tempo offense and pressure defense that would become his trademark. In 1994, he used it to guide Arkansas to the national title.

GAME FOR THE AGES: Tubby's team nearly blew its chance of making the 1994 Tournament by losing in the Missouri Valley tournament semis, but snuck in as a No. 12 seed. After beating UCLA in the first round, the Hurricane rallied from a 13-point first-half deficit to beat No. 4-seed Oklahoma State, 82-80. Point guard Alvin "Pooh" Williamson played a nearly perfect game, scoring 20 points and committing zero turnovers. Leading by one, teammate Lou Dawkins hit a three-pointer with 8.6 seconds left to seal Tulsa's first Sweet 16 appearance. The win avenged a 73-61 regular-season loss to the Cowboys.

HEARTBREAKER: In the 2003 Tournament, Tulsa appeared headed to its fourth Sweet 16 in ten seasons, leading Big Ten champion Wisconsin by 13 with 4:08 left. But the Badgers closed the game on a 16-2 run, capped by Freddie Owens' three-pointer with one tick left. The Hurricane actually had time for one more miracle play, but the game ended when Jarius Glenn stepped over the line on his inbounds pass.

FIERCHEST RIVAL: In the annual battle for the Mayor's Cup, Tulsa leads crosstown foe Oral Roberts, 29-16, an edge made all the more bitter for Golden Eagles fans by the fact that their rival

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hired Bill Self away from ORU in 1997. Each victory invariably sets off a spirited postgame celebration by the winning team and their fans, in which the cup is hoisted high and passed proudly from player to player.

FANFARE AND HOOPLA: You won't find two crazier college basketball fans than Ken Penn and David Bales—better known as Mad Dog and Coach. Penn has been coming to games since 1977, and wears a rubber snout and barks at opponents. Meanwhile, Bales dresses up in a suit and tie, screams at officials and paces the Tulsa sideline.

FAN FAVORITE: G RONDIE TURNER (1981-84) He scored just 16 career points, but no one got the crowd fired up like this scrappy guard and ordained minister.

FIRST-ROUND PRO PICKS

1969	Bobby Smith , San Diego (6)
1971	Dana Lewis , Philadelphia (12)
1982	Paul Pressey , Milwaukee (20)
1985	Steve Harris , Houston (19)

PROFILE

University of Tulsa, Tulsa, OK
Founded: 1894
Enrollment: 4,192 (3,049 undergraduate)
Colors: Old gold, royal blue, crimson and yellow
Nickname: Golden Hurricane
Current arena: Donald W. Reynolds Center, opened in 1998 (8,355)
Previous: Tulsa Convention Center, 1977-98 (8,900); Fairgrounds Pavilion, 1950-77 (6,311); Fairgrounds Armory, 1948-50 (N/A); Central High, Rogers High, Webster High, 1931-47 (N/A)

First game: 1907
All-time record: 1,262-1,026 (.552)
Total weeks in AP Top 20/25: 82
Current conference: Conference USA (2005-)
Conference titles:
 Missouri Valley: 6 (1955 [tie], '84 [tie], '85, '87, '94, '95)
 WAC: 3 (1999 [tie], 2000, '02 [tie])
Conference tournament titles:
 Missouri Valley: 4 (1982, '84, '86, '96)
 WAC: 1 (2003)
NCAA Tournament appearances: 14
 Sweet 16s (since 1975): 3

NIT appearances: 9
 Semifinals: 2
 Titles: 2 (1981, 2001)

TOP 5

G	Willie Biles (1971-74)
G	Steve Harris (1981-85)
G	Shea Seals (1993-97)
F	Bob Patterson (1951-55)
F	Paul Pressey (1980-82)

RECORDS	GAME	SEASON	CAREER
POINTS	48 Willie Biles, vs. St. Cloud (Dec. 13, 1973); Willie Biles, vs. Wichita State (March 3, 1973)	788 Willie Biles (1972-73)	2,288 Shea Seals (1993-97)
POINTS PER GAME		30.3 Willie Biles (1972-73)	22.7 Willie Biles (1971-74)
REBOUNDS	26 Dana Lewis, vs. MacMurray (Dec. 27, 1969)	370 Bob Patterson (1954-55)	1,211 Michael Ruffin (1995-99)
ASSISTS	15 Ricky Ross, vs. Indiana State (March 1, 1984)	201 Greg Harrington (2000-01)	551 Greg Harrington (1998-2002)

SEASON REVIEW											
SEASON	W-L	CONF.	SCORING	COACH	RECORD	SEASON	W-L	CONF.	SCORING	COACH	RECORD
1907-18	34-26		No team 1909-13			1928-29	2-11			J.B. Miller	
1918-19	5-3			Francis Schmidt		1929-30	2-6			J.B. Miller	16-45 .262
1919-20	16-3			Francis Schmidt		1930-31	10-4			Oliver Hodge	
1920-21	18-2			Francis Schmidt		1931-32	10-7			Oliver Hodge	20-11 .645
1921-22	14-4			Francis Schmidt	73-26 .737	1932-33	11-6			Chet Benefiel	
1922-23	1-3			Howard Acher		1933-34	6-8			Chet Benefiel	
1923-24	2-1			Howard Acher		1934-35	6-10	4-8		Chet Benefiel	
1924-25	13-8			Howard Acher	16-12 .571	1935-36	6-14	3-9		Chet Benefiel	
1925-26	7-10			J.B. Miller		1936-37	9-9	4-8		Chet Benefiel	
1926-27	3-6			J.B. Miller		1937-38	12-10	8-6		Chet Benefiel	
1927-28	2-12			J.B. Miller		1938-39	15-8	8-6		Chet Benefiel	65-65 .500

SEAS.	W-L	CONF.	POSTSEASON	SCORING	REBOUNDS	ASSISTS	COACH	RECORD
1939-40	12-15	5-7					H.B. Ryon	
1940-41	12-9	7-5					Jack Sterrett	12-9 .571
1941-42	3-13	3-7					H.B. Ryon	15-28 .349
1942-43	0-10	0-10					Mike Milligan	0-10 .000
1943-44	5-3						Woody West	5-3 .625
1944-45	4-8			Barney White	9.3		Paul Alyea	4-8 .333
1945-46	6-12	3-9					Don Shields	
1946-47	5-19	3-9					Don Shields	11-31 .262
1947-48	7-16	2-8		Gerald Carrans	8.2		John Garrison	
1948-49	4-20	0-10		Neil Ridley	10.5		John Garrison	11-36 .234
1949-50	12-11	3-9		Neil Ridley	10.3		Clarence Iba	
1950-51	10-17	4-10		Neil Ridley	10.7		Clarence Iba	
1951-52	14-10	5-5		Dick Nunneley	15.8		Clarence Iba	
1952-53	15-10	5-5	NIT FIRST ROUND	Dick Nunneley	13.1	Warren Shackelford 6.4	Clarence Iba	
1953-54	15-14	5-5		Dick Nunneley	17.3		Clarence Iba	
1954-55	21-7	8-2	NCAA REGIONAL SEMIFINALS	Bob Patterson	27.6	Bob Patterson 13.2	Clarence Iba	
1955-56	16-10	4-8		Junior Born	14.6	Clester Harrington 6.7	Clarence Iba	
1956-57	8-17	5-9		Jerry Evans	12.5	Clester Harrington 10.0	Clarence Iba	
1957-58	7-19	4-10		Roger Wendel	17.5	Bob Goodall 11.6	Clarence Iba	
1958-59	10-15	2-12		Roger Wendel	18.8	Bob Goodall 10.6	Clarence Iba	
1959-60	9-17	5-9		David Voss	15.2	Gene Estes 9.0	Clarence Iba	137-147 .482
1960-61	8-17	2-10		David Voss	16.6	Gene Estes 14.3	Joe Swank	
1961-62	7-19	4-8		Jim King	18.4	Jim King 8.5	Joe Swank	
1962-63	17-8	5-7		Bill Kusleika	17.1	Bill Kusleika 8.7	Joe Swank	
1963-64	10-15	2-10		Bill Kusleika	22.6	Bill Kusleika 9.7	Joe Swank	
1964-65	14-11	7-7		Rick Park	18.4	Herman Callands 11.2	Joe Swank	
1965-66	16-13	6-8		Julian Hammond	16.4	Julian Hammond 8.8	Joe Swank	
1966-67	19-8	10-4	NIT FIRST ROUND	Eldridge Webb	18.0	Bobby Smith 10.4	Joe Swank	
1967-68	11-12	5-11		Rob Washington	15.3	Doug Robinson 9.7	Joe Swank	102-103 .498
1968-69	19-8	11-5	NIT FIRST ROUND	Bobby Smith	24.5	Rob Washington 10.3	Ken Hayes	
1969-70	15-11	8-8		Ron Carson	20.5	Dana Lewis 11.9	Ken Hayes	
1970-71	17-9	8-6		Dana Lewis	23.3	Dana Lewis 13.5	Ken Hayes	
1971-72	15-11	5-9		Steve Bracey	24.1	Joe Voskuhl 10.4	Ken Hayes	
1972-73	18-8	10-4		Willie Biles	30.3	Joe Voskuhl 10.9	Ken Hayes	
1973-74	18-8	7-6		Willie Biles	24.7	Ken Smith 8.3	Ken Hayes	
1974-75	15-14	5-9		Ken Smith	20.9	Ken Smith 11.0	Ken Hayes	117-69 .629
1975-76	9-18	4-8		Leon Alvoid	14.9	Dan O'Leary 7.0	Jim King	
1976-77	6-21	3-9		Teko Wynder	17.7	Dan O'Leary 7.0	Jack Dobbins 3.4	Jim King
1977-78	9-18	7-9		Terry Sims	14.7	Lester Johnson 9.0	John Gibson 2.9	Jim King
1978-79	13-14	7-9		Terry Sims	13.7	Billy Keys 7.1	John Gibson 3.3	Jim King
1979-80	8-19	5-11		Russell Sublet	16.6	Bob Stevenson 9.8	Russell Sublet 2.5	Jim King ^a
1980-81	26-7	11-5	NIT CHAMPION	Greg Stewart	15.5	David Brown, G. Stewart 6.9	Paul Pressey 5.2	Nolan Richardson
1981-82	24-6	12-4	NCAA SECOND ROUND	Paul Pressey	13.2	P. Pressey, G. Stewart 6.4	Mike Anderson 4.4	Nolan Richardson
1982-83	19-12	11-7	NIT FIRST ROUND	Ricky Ross	18.5	Ricky Ross 5.6	Mike Smith 4.6	Nolan Richardson
1983-84	27-4	13-3	NCAA SECOND ROUND	Steve Harris	21.1	Herb Johnson 7.6	Ricky Ross 6.2	Nolan Richardson
1984-85	23-8	12-4	NCAA FIRST ROUND	Steve Harris	23.6	Herb Johnson 9.5	Herb Johnson 2.9	Nolan Richardson
1985-86	23-9	10-6	NCAA FIRST ROUND	Tracy Moore	16.8	David Moss 6.4	Byron Boudreaux 4.9	J.D. Barnett
1986-87	22-8	11-3	NCAA FIRST ROUND	David Moss	17.8	Brian Rahilly 7.3	Byron Boudreaux 5.9	J.D. Barnett
1987-88	8-20	4-10		Tracy Moore	21.3	Ray Wingard 7.4	Tracy Moore 2.3	J.D. Barnett
1988-89	18-13	10-4		Lamont Randolph	13.2	Ray Wingard 8.3	Jamal West 4.1	J.D. Barnett
1989-90	17-13	9-5	NIT FIRST ROUND	Marcell Gordon	12.9	Lamont Randolph 8.0	Reggie Shields 4.9	J.D. Barnett
1990-91	18-12	10-6	NIT FIRST ROUND	Marcell Gordon	16.7	Wade Jenkins 6.3	Reggie Shields 5.5	J.D. Barnett
1991-92	17-13	12-6		Mark Morse	14.9	Gary Collier 5.6	Mark Morse 5.1	Tubby Smith
1992-93	15-14	10-8		Mark Morse	17.4	Jeff Malham 5.8	Mark Morse 4.6	Tubby Smith
1993-94	23-8	15-3	NCAA REGIONAL SEMIFINALS	Gary Collier	22.9	Gary Collier 6.7	Lou Dawkins 4.6	Tubby Smith
1994-95	24-8	15-3	NCAA REGIONAL SEMIFINALS	Shea Seals	18.8	Shea Seals 6.9	Shea Seals 3.9	Tubby Smith
1995-96	22-8	12-6	NCAA FIRST ROUND	Shea Seals	17.1	Michael Ruffin 7.7	Dewayne Bonner 4.9	Steve Robinson
1996-97	24-10	12-4	NCAA SECOND ROUND	Shea Seals	20.7	Michael Ruffin 10.0	Rod Thompson 3.5	Steve Robinson
1997-98	19-12	9-5		Rod Thompson	15.0	Michael Ruffin 9.5	Rod Thompson 3.7	Bill Self
1998-99	23-10	9-5	NCAA SECOND ROUND	Brandon Kurtz	11.9	Michael Ruffin 10.4	Eric Coley 2.6	Bill Self
1999-2000	32-5	12-2	NCAA REGIONAL FINALS	David Shelton	13.5	Brandon Kurtz 7.0	Eric Coley 3.4	Bill Self
2000-01	26-11	10-6	NIT CHAMPION	Kevin Johnson	13.9	Kevin Johnson 7.0	Greg Harrington 5.4	Buzz Peterson
2001-02	27-7	15-3	NCAA SECOND ROUND	Kevin Johnson	14.5	Charlie Davis 6.7	Greg Harrington 5.2	John Phillips
2002-03	23-10	12-6	NCAA SECOND ROUND	Jason Parker	15.4	K. Johnson, C. Davis 7.0	Jason Parker 4.0	John Phillips
2003-04	9-20	5-13		Jason Parker	16.9	Jarius Glenn 6.1	Jason Parker 2.9	John Phillips
2004-05	9-20	5-13		Jarius Glenn	17.1	J. Glenn, G. Teichmann 6.2	Jarius Glenn 3.4	John Phillips ^b
2005-06	11-17	6-8		Anthony Price	11.4	Charles Ramsdell 6.2	Brett McDade 2.6	Doug Wojcik
2006-07	20-11	9-7		Rod Earls	11.2	Ben Uzoh 5.0	Mark Hill 3.0	Doug Wojcik
2007-08	25-14	8-8		Ben Uzoh	15.6	Jerome Jordan 7.9	Brett McDade 3.1	Doug Wojcik
2008-09	25-11	12-4	NIT SECOND ROUND	Ben Uzoh	14.0	Jerome Jordan 8.6	Ben Uzoh 3.6	Doug Wojcik

^a Jim King (6-12) and Bill Franey (2-7) both coached during the 1979-80 season.

^b John Phillips (2-5) and Alvin Williamson (7-15) both coached during the 2004-05 season.