# 2009-10 OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY MEN'S BASKETBALL QUICK FACTS

LOCATION: Norfolk, Va. 23529

NICKNAME: Monarchs

FOUNDED: 1930 (as the Norfolk Division of The College of William & Mary)

ENROLLMENT: 23,500

SCHOOL COLORS: Slate Blue (PMS 540), Silver (PMS 877),

& Light Blue (PMS 283)

HOME COURT: Ted Constant Convocation Center (8,424)

SURFACE: Wood

CONFERENCE: Colonial Athletic Association PRESIDENT: John Broderick (Northeastern)

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#### **COACHING STAFF**

HEAD COACH: Blaine Taylor (Montana ('81)

RECORD AT ODU: 161-94, Ninth year CAREER RECORD: 303-159 (15th yr)

ASSOCIATE COACH: Jim Corrigan (Duke'80)

ASSISTANTS: Rob Wilkes (Stetson '93)

& John Richardson (Elizabeth City State '95)

DIR. OF BASKETBALL OPERATIONS: Joel Hines (ODU '05)

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BASKETBALL SECRETARY: Annette Manley

2009-10 RECORD: 25-10

2009-10 CAA RECORD: 12-6, T 3rd

POST SEASON: CollegeInsider.com Champions

W 67-59 The Citadel

W 70-62 Belmont

W 81-43 James Madison

W 66-62 at Bradley

#### **HISTORY**

FIRST YEAR OF BASKETBALL: 1930-31

OVERALL ALL-TIME RECORD: 1164-827 (79 years) .582

FIRST YEAR OF DIV. I. BASKETBALL:1976-77

DIVISION I ALL-TIME RECORD: 607-400 (33 yrs) .601

NO. YRS IN NCAA TRN/LAST: 9/2007, lost to #5 seed Butler, 57-46 NO. YRS IN NIT TRN/LAST: 10/2006 semi-finals, lost to Michigan, 66-43

**RETURNING LETTERMEN: 10** 

#### **LETTERMEN LOST: One**

Jonathan Adams 6-6 Sr. F 5.1 ppg/3.8 rpg (CAA All-Academic)

#### **STARTERS RETURNING**: (5)

Gerald Lee 6-10 Sr. C-F 15.5 ppg/5.7 rpg. (1st Team All-CAA/All-Dist.)

Darius James 6-1 Jr. PG 6.9 ppg/4.5 apg Ben Finney 6-5 Jr. F 10.0 ppg/6.0 rpg

Frank Hassell 6-8 RS-Jr F 7.5 ppg/5.3 rpg (CIT Tournament MVP) Marsharee Neely 6-3 Sr. G 7.1 ppg/2.8 rpg (CIT All-Tournament)

#### **ADDITIONAL RETURNING LETTERMEN** (5)

Keyon Carter 6-8 RS-Jr. F 7.9 ppg/4.6 rpg. (13 starts)

Kent Bazemore 6-5 RS-So. G 4.5 ppg/3.1 rpg (9 starts)

Marquel De Lancey 6-0 Fr. G 0.9 ppg/0.8 rpg Trian Iliadis 6-4 Fr. G 2.4 ppg/0.5 rpg Chris Cooper 6-8 Fr. C 1.0 ppg/0.8 rpg

#### **RED SHIRTS FROM LAST YEAR(1)**

Nick Wright 6-8 Fr. F Suffolk, VA./Nansemond River HS

(16.0 ppg/12 rpg.,7 blks/ 2<sup>nd</sup> team All-Tidewater/1<sup>st</sup> Team All-District)

#### **NEWCOMERS (2)**

Josh Hicks 6-2,180,G,Fr. Winston-Salem, NC./Mt. Tabor High School,

North Carolina HS 4A State Champions/ All-State, 17.2 ppg/8.6 rpg/ 5.1 apg.

Anton Larsen 7-0, 235,F ,Fr. Copenhagen, Denmark/Member of Danish national team.

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#### **2008-09 HONORS**

All-CAA Gerald Lee (1st team)
CAA All-Academic Jonathan Adams
CAA Player of the Week: Gerald Lee (Dec. 22)
Gerald Lee (Feb. 9)

CAA All-Tournament Gerald Lee

#### **Other Honors**

Collegeinsider.com All-Tournament Frank Hassell (MVP)

Gerald Lee Marsharee Neely

NABC District 10 Gerald Lee (1<sup>st</sup> team

## CAA MONARCH RANKINGS TEAM RANKINGS

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Scoring	5th	66.7
Scoring defense	1st	60.3 (19 <sup>th</sup> nationally)
Scoring Margin	2nd	+6.4
Free Throw Pct.	11th	.639
Field Goal PCT.	4th	.443
Field Goal PCT Def.	5th	.416
3PT FG PCT	4th	.443
3PT FG Def.	3rd	.315
Rebounding	$3^{\rm rd}$	38.1
Rebound Def.	2nd	31.1
Rebound Margin	1st	+ 7.0 (11 <sup>th</sup> nationally)
Blocked Shots	5th	3.5
Assists	1st	15.5
Steals	4th	7.2
Asst./To Ratio	1st	1.3
Offensive Rebs.	3rd	14.2
Defensive Rebs.	5th	23.9

### **INDIVIDUALS**

Scoring	Lee	4th	15.5
Rebounding	Lee	$11^{\rm th}$	5.7
	Finney	$7^{\text{th}}$	6.0
Field Goal PCT:	Lee	3rd	.542
Assists	James	3rd	4.5
Steals:	Finney	6th	1.7
Blocked Shots:	Hassell	$8^{th}$	0.9
	Lee	13th	0.8
Assist/TO Ratio	James	3rd	2.1

NATIONALLY: ODU ranks 19<sup>th</sup> in scoring defense ODU ranks 11<sup>th</sup> in rebound margin

#### OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY 2009-10 MEN'S BASKETBALL ROSTER (7-20-09)

#### **ALPHABETICAL**

No. Name	POS CL HT WT	Hometown/ High School
24 Kent Bazemore	G/F RSSo. 6-5 195	Kelford, NC./Bertie HS
33 Keyon Carter	F RSJr. 6-8 220	Riviera Beach, FL./Dwyer HS
2 Ben Finney	G/F Jr. 6-5 220	Portsmouth, VA./Norcom HS/Hargrave
21 Frank Hassell	F RSJr. 6-8 245	Chesapeake, VA./Indian River HS
2 Josh Hicks	G Fr. 6-2 180	Winston-Salem, NC./Mt. Tabor HS
3 Darius James	G Jr. 6-1 170	Virginia Beach, VA./Tallwood HS
40 Anton Larsen	F Fr. 7-0 235	Copenhagen, Denmark/
12 Gerald Lee	F Sr 6-10 250	Uusikaupunki, Finland/ Korihait
23 Marsharee Neel	y G Sr. 6-2 190	Greensboro, NC./Page HS
15Trian Iliadis	G So. 6-4 185	Perth, Western Australia/ Trinity College HS
20 Chris Cooper	F So. 6-9 230	Woodbridge, VA. Forest Park HS
22 Marquel De Land	cey G So. 6-0 180	Alexandria, VA./Mt. Vernon HS
1 Nick Wright	C RSFr. 6-8 215	Suffolk, VA./Nansemond River HS

HEAD COACH: Blaine Taylor (Montana'81) 9<sup>th</sup> Season ASSISTANTS: Jim Corrigan (Duke '80) 16<sup>th</sup> season Rob Wilkes 8<sup>th</sup> season (Stetson '93) John Richardson (Elizabeth City St. '95), 5<sup>th</sup> season DIR. OF Basketball Operations: Joel Hines (ODU'05) 2nd season

#### 2009-10 MEN'S BASKETBALL OUTLOOK

The Old Dominion Monarchs, winners of a school record 119 games the last five seasons and 136 the past six, return ten lettermen along with all five starters from last year's Collegeinsider.com Championship team that won 25 games. The 119 wins the past five years is the best among Virginia's Division I schools.

Last year, ODU won 14 of their last 16 games, capping off the run with a 66-64 win at Bradley for the CIT championship. ODU ranked among the nation's best in scoring defense (19<sup>th</sup>) at 60.3 and rebound margin (11<sup>th</sup>) at 7.0. ODU was 16-3 at home and 8-6 on the road.

Heading ODU's returnees include first team All-CAA, All-NABC District 10 center/forward Gerald Lee (6-10, Sr., 15.5 ppg/5.7 rpg.). Lee, who ranked fourth in the CAA in scoring, and third in field goal percentage is playing for his native Finland's national team this summer.

Also returning are Ben Finney, the CAA's sixth leading rebounder (6-5, Jr., F, 10.0 ppg/6.0 rpg.); Darius James (6-1, Jr., G, 6-9 ppg. 4.5 apg), CIT Tournament MVP Frank Hassell (6-8, Jr., F, 7.5 ppg/5.3 rpg), Keyon Carter (6-8, Jr., F, 7.9 ppg/ 4.6 rpg), CIT All-Tournament selection Marsharee Neely (6-3, Sr., G, 7.1 ppg/2.8 rpg.), and Kent Bazemore (6-5, RS So, G, 4.5 ppg/ 31.

rpg.). The Monarchs will also be counting heavily on Marquel De Lancey (6-0, So., G, ppg.), Chris Cooper (6-8, So., F, 1.0 ppg/1.0 rpg), Trian Iliadis (6-4, So, G, 2.4 ppg) and red-shirt freshman Nick Wright (6-8, C.).

Taylor and his staff brought in an outstanding newcomer in Josh Hicks (Winston-Salem, NC.), a 6-2 All-State guard from North Carolina High School 4A state Champion Mount Tabor. Hicks averaged 17.2 points, 8.6 rebounds, 5.1 assists, and 4.5 steals as he led Mount Tabor to a 31-1 record. ODU also added a summer signee Anton Larsen, a 7-0, 235-pounder from Denmark. He is a member of the Danish national team.

The Monarchs will play a very strong non-conference schedule with four opponents, Dayton, Mississippi State, Missouri along with CAA rival VCU in last year's NCAA Tournament. Georgetown, Duquesne, and CAA rival George Mason competed in the NIT, while Liberty, Mount St. Mary's and CAA rival James Madison were in the CIT. Richmond reached the semi-finals of the CBI tournament.

In all, ODU will play teams from eight different conferences which include the Southeast, BIGEAST, Big 12, Atlantic 10, Conference USA, MEAC, Big South and the Northeast Conference.

The Monarchs will compete in the South Padre Island Tournament with home games Against Bethune-Cookman on Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> and Longwood on Nov. 17. The Monarchs will play Two games in South Padre Island against Missouri on Nov. 27, the play either Mississippi State Or Richmond on Nov. 28.

The Monarchs will play an 18-game CAA schedule, opening at home on Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>. ODU will host VCU, George Mason, James Madison, William and Mary, Georgia State, Drexel, Hofstra, Delaware and Towson. ODU will have CAA road games against Towson, Delaware, Northeastern, UNC Wilmington, VCU, JMU, W&M, George Mason and Georgia State.

The Monarchs first CAA game is on Dec. 5 at home against Delaware, while the first league road game is Jan. 2 at George Mason. The CAA Championships are March 5-8 in Richmond, Va.

#### **OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY 2009-10 MEN'S SCHEDULE**

Fri. Oct. 23

Mon. Nov. 2

Sat. Nov. 7

Sun. Nov. 15

Blue-White (exh.)

Barton College (exh.)

Elizabeth City State (exh.)

Bethune Cookman #

Tue. Nov. 17 Longwood# Thurs. Nov. 19 at Liberty Sat. Nov. 21 Marshall

Fri. Nov. 27 at South Padre Island Invitational % (Missouri, Mississippi State, Richmond)

Sat. Nov. 28 at South Padre Island Tournament%

Wed. Dec. 2 at Richmond
Sat. Dec. 5 Delaware\*
Tues. Dec. 8 Mt. St. Mary's
Fri. Dec. 11 at Dayton
Sat. Dec. 19 at Georgetown
Wed. Dec. 23 Charlotte

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Wed. Dec. 30 Duquesne

Sat. Jan. 2 at George Mason\*

Mon. Jan. 4 at Towson\*

Wed. Jan. 6 James Madison\*

Sat. Jan. 9 Hofstra\*

Wed. Jan. 13 at UNC Wilmington\*

Sat. Jan. 16 Drexel\*

Wed. Jan. 20 at Delaware\*

Sat. Jan. 23 at William & Mary\*
Wed. Jan. 27 Georgia State\*
Sat. Jan. 30 at Northeastern\*
Wed. Feb. 3 William and Mary\*

Sat. Feb. 6 at VCU\*

Wed. Feb. 10 at James Madison\* Sat. Feb. 13 George Mason\*

Wed. Feb. 17 Towson\*

Sat. Feb. 20 at ESPN Bracketbuster's game

Wed. Feb. 24 at Georgia State \*

Sat. Feb 27 VCU\*

March 5-8 at CAA Championships in Richmond, Va.

# Home games at ODU as part of South Padre Island Tournament.

% South Padre Island Tournament in Texas \* CAA Games

Dates and times are subject to change.