

2000-2001 Schedule

11-1 Overall / 1-1 ACC

N. 4	London Leopards (Ex.)	L, 88-89
N. 12	Nantucket Nectars Naturals (Ex.)	W, 95-80
N. 17	Long Island University	W, 96-50
N. 20	Coastal Carolina	W, 117-78
N. 24	at Virginia Tech	W, 64-48
N. 29	Purdue	W, 98-79
D. 4	at VMI	W, 89-70
D. 6	Ohio University	W, 90-71

Jimmy V Classic

D. 19	vs. #4 Tennessee	W, 107-89
D. 23	Maryland-Baltimore County	W, 85-69
D. 28	Bucknell	W, 99-49
D. 30	at Dartmouth	W, 102-56
J. 2	at #4 Wake Forest	L, 73-96
J. 6	North Carolina State	W, 88-81
J. 9	Georgia Tech	8:00 p.m.
J. 13	at Duke	3:30 p.m.
J. 16	Florida State	8:00 p.m.
J. 20	Missouri	2:00 p.m.
J. 24	at North Carolina	7:00 p.m.
J. 27	at Clemson	4:00 p.m.
J. 31	Maryland	9:00 p.m.
F. 3	Wake Forest	8:00 p.m.
F. 7	at North Carolina State	7:00 p.m.
F. 11	at Georgia Tech	1:30 p.m.
F. 14	Duke	7:00 p.m.
F. 17	at Florida State	4:00 p.m.
F. 25	North Carolina	1:30 p.m.
F. 28	Clemson	7:00 p.m.
M. 3	at Maryland	2:00 p.m.
M. 8-11	ACC Tournament, Atlanta, Ga.	

Virginia, ranked 10th in the AP poll released January 8 and ninth in the *USAToday*/ESPN poll released January 7, stands at 11-1 overall and 1-1 in the Atlantic Coast Conference. In its last game, UVa defeated N.C. State 88-81 (Jan. 6) in Charlottesville, Va. **Georgia Tech** is 8-5 overall and 0-2 in the ACC. The Yellow Jackets are coming off a 93-80 loss at Maryland in College Park, Md. (Jan. 6).

Television: Tonight's game will be televised by Raycom/Jefferson-Pilot. Tim Brando will handle the play-by-play. Billy Packer is the analyst.

Radio: All UVa games are heard on the Virginia Sports Network originating at WINA/WWV in Charlottesville. Mac McDonald calls the play by play. Jim Hobgood provides the analysis.

#10 / #9 Virginia (11-1, 1-1)

VS.

Georgia Tech (8-5, 0-2)

January 9, 2001 • 8:00 p.m.

University Hall

Charlottesville, Va.

The Series vs. Georgia Tech

Each team has had a stretch of dominating the series, which Georgia Tech now leads 27-25. The Cavaliers held the lead until the Yellow Jackets passed Virginia by winning 17 of the last 23 meetings, including eight of the last 10. The Cavaliers snapped a five-game losing streak to Georgia Tech with an 83-65 victory at University Hall in the first meeting of the 1999-2000 season (Jan. 8). The Yellow Jackets won the second meeting last season 68-47 in Atlanta (Feb. 9).

The Cavaliers have won three of five overtime contests in the series, but their 74-68 overtime loss to Georgia Tech in the 1998-99 season snapped a three-game extra session winning streak. The Jackets won the first overtime game in the series 72-71 in triple overtime in the 1983-84 season.

Virginia snapped a two-game home losing streak to the Yellow Jackets with an 83-65 win at University Hall last season. Despite losing two of the last three home games to Georgia Tech, UVa has won 15 of the 22 games played in Charlottesville during the series. Prior to last season, the Cavaliers' last home win against Georgia Tech came in the 1996-97 season, when they posted a 68-64 victory (Jan. 22).

The Cavaliers opened the series with Georgia Tech by winning 10 of the first 13 games, including eight straight from 1981-83.

These Games are Barn Burners

Even though 10 of the last 12 meetings between these two teams have been decided by at least nine points, people shouldn't be surprised if this one goes down to the wire.

Of the 39 games since the 1983-84 season, only 14 have been decided by 10 or more points. Sixteen of the games have been decided by a margin of four points or less with UVa winning nine of them. The Cavaliers have won all three games (1987, 1990 twice) decided by two points. Five games have gone into overtime, including a triple overtime affair (1984) and a double overtime game (1995).

From 1985 to 1990 the teams played 15 consecutive games that were decided by fewer than 10 points with Virginia winning eight of those games.

A breakdown of the close games in the series since the 1983-84 season is below:

1 point - 3	4 points - 4	7 points - 4
2 points - 3	5 points - 1	8 points - 1
3 points - 6	6 points - 1	9 points - 2

Jackets Shoot Well vs. UVa

The Yellow Jackets have won eight of the last 10 meetings vs. Virginia in the past five seasons and a big part of those wins has been Georgia Tech's ability to shoot the basketball. In the eight wins, the Jackets shot 49.0 percent (217-443) from the field. In the two games Georgia Tech lost to Virginia in the last five seasons, the Yellow Jackets made only 41.3 percent (43-104) of their attempts from the field. In its last eight wins over the Cavaliers, Georgia Tech averaged 80.9 points per game compared to 64.5 points per game in its last two losses to UVa.

In Georgia Tech's last 17 wins over Virginia dating back to the championship game of the 1990 ACC Tournament, the Yellow Jackets are shooting 47.8 percent from the field, while averaging 75.6 points.

That is a contrast to Georgia Tech's performance when Virginia wins. In Virginia's eight wins over Georgia Tech dating back to the beginning of the 1990s, the Yellow Jackets have shot 40.4 percent from the floor and scored an average of 70.4 points.

In Virginia's last eight wins against Georgia Tech, the Yellow Jackets have not shot better than 42.6 percent from the field (29 of 68 in the 1994-95 season).

Head Coach Pete Gillen

Pete Gillen is in his 16th season as a collegiate head coach and sports a 318-157 record for a .669 winning percentage. Gillen is in his third season at Virginia and has posted a 44-29 record (.603 winning percentage). Gillen won the 300th game of his career when Virginia defeated then 21st-ranked North Carolina 87-85 on January 18, 2000 at University Hall.

Gillen has led his teams to postseason play 12 times in 15 seasons (eight NCAA, four NIT). He has been selected as the conference Coach of the Year five times - all while coaching Xavier (Midwestern Collegiate Conference).

Good Start

Virginia began the 2000-2001 season with 10 consecutive wins before falling to Wake Forest (Jan. 2), marking its best start since the 1992-93 campaign. The 1992-93 team started the season with an 11-0 record. The 10 straight wins to start the season marked the eighth time in the 96-year history of the men's basketball program UVa won 10 games to start a season.

The Cavaliers now stand at 11-1 on the season.

The AP and USA Today/ESPN Polls

The Cavaliers continue to be ranked in the top 10 of The Associated Press and USA Today/ESPN Top 25 polls. In the AP poll released January 8 Virginia is ranked 10th and the Cavaliers are ranked ninth in the USA Today/ESPN poll released January 7. Virginia had been ranked as high as eighth in the AP poll (Dec. 25 and Jan. 1), which was UVa's highest AP ranking since being ranked seventh in the poll on January 18, 1993. The Cavaliers' ranking of ninth in the USA Today/ESPN poll is their highest since earning the eighth spot in the final poll of the 1994-95 season (April 4, 1995).

For the first time since the 1995-96 season, the Virginia men's basketball team opened a season ranked in both The Associated Press and USA Today/ESPN Top 25 polls. Virginia was ranked 24th in the AP's preseason poll and 25th in the preseason USA Today/ESPN poll.

Before the 1995-1996 season Virginia was ranked 19th in the AP and 14th in the USA Today/ESPN polls. The last time the Cavs appeared in any poll prior to this season came during the 1996-97 season when they were ranked 25th in the AP poll (12/3/96).

Here's a look at Virginia's ranking in the AP and USA Today/ESPN polls this season:

Date	AP	USAToday/ESPN
Preseason	24	25
Nov. 13	25	No Poll
Nov. 20	25	NR
Nov. 27	21	22
Dec. 4	16	19
Dec. 11	14	14
Dec. 18	14	14
Dec. 25	8	9
Jan. 1	8	9
Jan. 7	10	9

The 1999-2000 Season

Virginia finished the 1999-2000 season with a 19-12 overall record and a 9-7 mark in the Atlantic Coast Conference. The Cavs advanced to postseason play for the first time since receiving a bid to the 1997 NCAA Tournament, but fell to Georgetown in the first round of the 2000 National Invitation Tournament 115-111 in triple overtime.

A Top Five Win

The Cavaliers' 107-89 win over fourth-ranked Tennessee (Dec. 19) at the Jimmy V Classic marked the first time since the 1995 season that Virginia defeated a top-five ranked team. UVa's last win against a top five team prior to the Tennessee victory was a 67-58 win over Kansas in the Sweet 16 of the 1995 NCAA Tournament on March 24 in Kansas City, Mo. The Jayhawks were ranked fourth in the AP poll and fifth in the USA Today/ESPN poll at the time.

Getting the Lead...And Keeping it

Through 12 games and 480 minutes of the 2000-2001 season, the Cavaliers have trailed for just 76:57 - and 69:23 of that came in a loss against Wake Forest (Jan. 2) and a win over N.C. State (Jan. 6). Prior to trailing Wake Forest and N.C. State for most of those games, the Cavaliers had trailed for only 7:34 and the most time UVa trailed in a single game was 2:43 against Virginia Tech (Nov. 24). In that game, the Cavaliers took the lead for good at the 15:49 mark of the first half which was also the latest point UVa trailed in a game this season prior to Wake Forest. Virginia has not fallen behind in four of its 12 games this season.

A Rare Feat

Senior guard Donald Hand has recorded 1,256 points, 338 rebounds, 435 assists and 156 steals in his career. Hand is just the third UVa player with at least 1,000 points, 300 rebounds, 400 assists and 150 steals in a career. The other two UVa players to accomplish the feat are Othell Wilson (1981-84) - 1,469 points, 375 rebounds, 493 assists and 222 steals, and Harold Deane (1994-97) - 1,763 points, 440 rebounds, 468 assists and 179 steals.

Scoring Lots of Points

The Cavaliers are off to an excellent start offensively in the 2000-2001 season. Through the first 12 games of the season, UVa is averaging 92.3 points per game which is third among all Atlantic Coast Conference schools. The school record for the highest scoring average is 89.8 points per game in the 1954-55 season.

UVa is also shooting 48.3 percent (381-789) from the floor this season. The last time Virginia shot 50 percent from the field in a season was in the 1985-86 season when the Cavaliers connected on 50.1 percent (838-1672) from the floor.

Big Wins

Ten of the Cavaliers 11 wins this season have been by 16 points or more. Eight of the 11 wins have been by 19 or more points. UVa's seven-point win (88-81) over N.C. State (Jan. 6) is its smallest margin of victory this season. Virginia is also outscoring its opponents by 22.6 points per game (92.3 to 69.7).

Big Leads

One of the reasons for Virginia's early season success is its ability to build big leads. In eight of Virginia's wins this season, it built leads of 20 or more points. In two Cavalier victories (VMI - Dec. 4 and UMBC - Dec. 23), they led by at least 18 points. UVa's smallest lead in a win was 10 points (N.C. State - Jan. 6).

Overcoming a Deficit

In addition to being able to build big leads, Virginia showed its ability to overcome a deficit in its 88-81 victory over N.C. State (Jan. 6). The Cavaliers trailed by 11 points (55-44) with 15:54 to go in the game, but outscored the Wolfpack 44-26 the rest of the way to earn an 88-81 victory.

Only One Steal

The Cavaliers had just one steal in their 96-73 loss at Wake Forest (Jan. 2). The last time UVa had only one steal in a game was against Duke on March 5, 1998. It wasn't the fewest steals ever in a game against the Deacs, as UVa went without a steal against Wake Forest on January 4, 1998.

50 Points

Virginia has held three of its opponents to 50 points or less this season. UVa limited Virginia Tech to 48 points in its 64-48 victory (Nov. 24) for its season low. Virginia held Bucknell to 49 points in a 99-49 victory (Dec. 28) and Long Island University to 50 points in a 96-50 triumph (Nov. 17).

When UVa limited Virginia Tech to 48 points, it marked the fewest points the Cavaliers have allowed in a game under head coach Pete Gillen. The previous record for fewest points allowed in a game under Gillen was 50 by Dartmouth last season (Jan. 2, 2000) and Long Island University earlier this season (Nov. 17).

Prior to holding Virginia Tech to 48 points, UVa's opponents were averaging 75.8 points per game during Gillen's tenure. Virginia held the Hokies nearly 28 points below that average.

This season, UVa has limited its first 12 opponents to an average of 69.7 points per game. Last year, the Cavaliers gave up 75.4 points per game.

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Virginia's offense was rolling in its victory over Coastal Carolina (Nov. 20). The Cavaliers lit up the scoreboard in the 117-78 victory with the 117 points tying for the fourth highest single game output in school history. UVa also scored 117 points against Baldwin-Wallace (117-83) in the 1972 season. The school record for points in a game is 128 vs. George Mason (128-98) in 1995. The second highest output is 124 points against Johns Hopkins (124-60) in the 1983 season, while the third highest point total is 118 vs. BYU-Hawaii (118-84) in the 1982 season.

The Cavaliers' 117 points are the most the team has scored since a 115-111 triple overtime loss to Georgetown in last season's NIT.

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Virginia scored 70 points in the second half of its 117-78 victory over Coastal Carolina (Nov. 20), which is believed to be a school record for points in a half. The previous known high for points in a half was 69 in the second half of UVa's 128-98 victory over George Mason on January 28, 1995. Virginia scored 67 points in the second half of a 124-60 win against Johns Hopkins on November 26, 1982.

50 Point Halves

Virginia has put together 10 50-plus point halves this season in 12 games (24 halves) - that translates to 41.7 percent of the halves in which UVa has reached 50 points. Last season, the Cavaliers only had seven 50-plus point halves in 31 games (62 halves) - or 11.3 percent.

Great Second Half

Junior forward Chris Williams had a tremendous second half against N.C. State (Jan. 6) as he scored all 17 of his points, including an eight of eight effort from the free throw line, and added six of his seven rebounds. Williams played just three minutes of the first half and had one rebound and one assist after getting into early foul trouble. Just 21 seconds into the second half, Williams picked up his fourth foul, but stayed in the game.

That's when Williams went to work. He scored seven-straight UVa points in a span of 2:15 and 10 of the next 12.

Williams came out of the game at the 13:19 mark, but returned with 11:36 to play. He drained a three-point field goal at the 11:04 mark to pull UVa within two (60-58). Williams also made four free throws down the stretch.

Joining the Millennium Club

Virginia junior forward Chris Williams became UVa's 34th player to score 1,000 career points when he drilled a three-point basket with 6:10 remaining in the first half against Coastal Carolina (Nov. 20). Williams finished the game with 15 points and currently has 1,162 in his career. He is now 28th on UVa's all-time scoring list. He needs 17 points to move up to 26th place ahead of Mike Katos (1966-68). Williams joins senior guard Donald Hand as current players reaching the 1,000-point plateau. Hand scored his 1,000th point on Feb. 5, 2000 versus Duke and currently has 1,256 points. Hand is 20th on Virginia's all-time scoring list and needs eight points to move into 19th place a head of Tony Laquintano (1960-62).

Hand and Williams are the first pair of UVa teammates to both have recorded 1,000 career points since Curtis Staples (1,757 points) and Norman Nolan (1,321) played together during the 1997-98 season.

Hand Equals Career High in Assists

Senior guard Donald Hand dished out 11 assists in the Cavaliers' 117-78 win over Coastal Carolina (Nov. 20) to tie his career high. He also recorded 11 assists last season against Hampton (Dec. 10, 1999).

Eight Double Digit Scorers

In the first 12 games of the 2000-2001 season, the Cavaliers have had eight different players score in double figures in a game. UVa had 11 players reach double figures in scoring last season.

Virginia double figure scorers this season are: (only first double digit performance is listed)

Stephane Dondon	17 vs. Long Island Univ. (Nov. 17)
Travis Watson	16 vs. Long Island Univ. (Nov. 17)
Donald Hand	12 vs. Coastal Carolina (Nov. 20)
Roger Mason, Jr.	28 vs. Coastal Carolina (Nov. 20)
Chris Williams	15 vs. Coastal Carolina (Nov. 20)
Keith Friel	15 vs. Virginia Tech (Nov. 24)
Adam Hall	14 vs. Purdue (Nov. 29)
Maurice Young	10 vs. Bucknell (Dec. 28)

Six Different Leading Scorers

Virginia has had six different players lead the team in scoring in games this season: (only the first time a player has led the team in scoring is listed with the number of times a player has led the team in scoring in parentheses)

Stephane Dondon (1)	17 vs. Long Island Univ. (Nov. 17)
Roger Mason, Jr. (4)	28 vs. Coastal Carolina (Nov. 20)
Keith Friel (2)	15 vs. Virginia Tech (Nov. 24)
Travis Watson (2)	16 vs. Ohio University (Dec. 6)
Donald Hand (2)	24 vs. Purdue (Nov. 29)
Chris Williams (3)	24 vs. Purdue (Nov. 29)

Shooting the Long Ball

Virginia's current roster features four of the top 11 career three-point field goal leaders in school history. Senior guard Donald Hand currently ranks sixth with 131 three-pointers and needs just two threes to move into the top five. Junior Chris Williams, graduate student Keith Friel and junior Adam Hall are also ranked in the top 11 of UVa's three-point field

goal list. Williams is currently eighth with 79, while Friel is in ninth place with 74 career threes in just two seasons. Hall is 11th all-time with 69 three-pointers.

Friel has opened the 2000-2001 season by making 29 of 58 (50.0 percent) three-point field goal attempts. In the 1999-2000 season, Friel's first at UVa, he hit 45-109 (.413) three-pointers. Friel's 41.3 percent accuracy from behind the line last season ranks as the fifth best performance by a Cavalier in that category. In addition to his 74 career threes at Virginia, Friel also made 60 three-pointers in two seasons at Notre Dame and has a total of 134 career threes.

No Turnovers

In UVa's 98-79 win over Purdue (Nov. 29), senior guard Donald Hand handed out eight assists and did not commit a turnover. It marked the third time in his career that he did not commit a turnover in a game. The other no turnover games came last season against Clemson (Jan. 15) - 5 assists, 0 turnovers, and Florida State (Jan. 26) - 3 assists, 0 turnovers.

No Blocks

N.C. State (Jan. 6) did not block a Virginia shot, marking the first time this season and third in the past two years, a UVa opponent failed to block a shot in a game.

The last Virginia ACC opponent prior to N.C. State that failed to block a UVa shot was Clemson (Jan. 17, 1999).

Overcoming Great Shooting

The Cavaliers defeated N.C. State (Jan. 6) 88-81 despite the Wolfpack shooting 61.2 percent (30-49) in the game. Virginia opponents have shot better than 60 percent in a game 46 times through the years and UVa has won nine of those contests. The last time Virginia defeated an opponent that shot 60 percent or better in a game was Missouri (64-62) on February 9, 1986. The Tigers shot exactly 60 percent (30-50) from the field in the game. The previous ACC opponent UVa defeated that shot 60 percent or better in a game was Clemson (77-70) on February 21, 1984. Clemson shot 67.5 percent (27-40) in the game.

Mason Sets Career Highs

Sophomore guard Roger Mason, Jr., set career highs for points and assists in a game in UVa's 117-78 win over Coastal Carolina (Nov. 20). Mason tallied 28 points on 10 of 14 shooting from the field, including a two-for-three effort from three-point range, and he also made six of seven free throws. His former career best was 22 points against Duke (Jan. 5, 2000). With seven assists against the Chanticleers, Mason surpassed his previous career best of four assists on three different occasions.

Mason currently leads the Cavaliers in scoring with an average of 16.1 points per game (eighth in the ACC) and is shooting an ACC-best 89.7 percent (70-78) from the free throw line.

NCAA Statistics

NCAA statistics have not been updated since December 18. NCAA stats will be released on a weekly basis beginning Tuesday evening, January 9.

Truly a Charity Stripe

Sophomore guard Roger Mason, Jr., has made the most of his free throw attempts this season. Mason had made his last 45 consecutive free throw attempts before missing his third attempt against N.C. State (Jan. 6). Mason was just three free throws shy of equalling Jeff Lamps' 1979-80 school record of 48 consecutive made free throws. On the season, Mason has made 70-78 (89.7 percent) free throw attempts, which leads the ACC.

Against UMBC (Dec. 23), Mason made all 14 of his free throw attempts and his perfect effort tied the second best free throw performance by a UVa player in a game. Bryant Stith made all 14 of his free throws against Georgia Tech on January 21, 1990. Buzzy Wilkinson holds the school record with a perfect 17 for 17 effort against Washington & Lee on January 14, 1955.

With his 89.7 percent (70-78) accuracy from the free throw line this season, Mason is ahead of Jeff Lamp's school record for free throw percentage in a single season. Lamp made 154-178 free throws for 86.5 percent in the 1980-81 season. Mason has made 133-155 free throws in his career for a mark of 85.8 percent, which surpasses Lamp's UVa career free throw percentage of 84.9 percent (635-748).

Mason's streak of 45 consecutive free throws began against Purdue (Nov. 29) when he made his last four free throws (he was five for six in the game). Mason was two for two against VMI (Dec. 4), four for four versus Ohio (Dec. 6), and nine for nine against Tennessee (Dec. 19). He was 14-14 against UMBC (Dec. 23), before going three for three against Bucknell (Dec. 28). Against Dartmouth (Dec. 30), Mason was four for four from the line and made three free throws versus Wake Forest (Jan. 2). He made his first two free throws against N.C. State (Jan. 6) before seeing his streak end at 45.

Hand's Free Throw Streak Ends at 33

Senior guard Donald Hand had his impressive streak of consecutive made free throws end at 33 against Wake Forest (Jan. 2). Hand converted his first eight attempts from the line in the game before missing his next two free throws with 5:53 remaining in the contest. Hand's streak dated back to the Purdue game (Nov. 29) when he made his final six attempts (he was nine of 11 in the game).

On the season, Hand has made 44 of 50 free throw attempts for an impressive 88 percent, which is second in the ACC.

Taking Care of the Basketball

In 12 games this season, the Cavaliers have committed 155 turnovers for an average of 12.9 per game. UVa has committed more than 15 turnovers in a game only twice this season - 17 vs. Tennessee (Dec. 19) and 17 vs. Virginia Tech (Nov. 24). On the other hand, Virginia's opponents have committed 245 turnovers for an average of 20.4 per game. The fewest turnovers a UVa opponent has committed in a game this season is nine by Wake Forest (Jan. 2).

Great Ratio

On the season, senior guard Donald Hand has recorded 80 assists (6.7 assists per game) while committing only 32 turnovers for a 2.5 to 1 assist to turnover ratio.

Hand is second among all ACC players with 6.7 assists per game. He is fourth in the ACC in assist to turnover ratio (2.5 to 1). Hand is fourth on the team in scoring with an average of 11.2 points per game. He also leads the team with 24 steals.

Hand Among Assists and Steals Leaders

In addition to holding the sixth spot on UVa's career three-point field goal list (131 three-pointers), senior guard Donald Hand ranks in Virginia's top 10 in both career assists and steals. Hand is fifth on the Cavaliers' all-time assists list with 435. He needs 34 assists to move past Harold Deane's (1994-97) fourth place total of 468. Hand is also sixth in career steals with 156. He needs four more to tie Richard Morgan (1986-89) for fifth place. In addition, Hand is 20th on UVa's career scoring list with 1,256 points. With eight more points, Hand will move up to 19th place all-time.

Watson Ties Career High in Rebounds

Sophomore forward/center Travis Watson tied his career high by pulling down 16 rebounds against UMBC (Dec. 23). His 16 rebounds equalled his career high set against Duke on January 5, 2000.

Watson also scored 19 points against the Retrievers (just one point shy of his career high) for his third double-double of the season and 11th of his career. Against Bucknell (Dec. 28), Watson posted 14 points and 11 rebounds for his fourth double-double of the season. He recorded his fifth double-double of the season and 13th of his career with 19 points and 10 rebounds against N.C. State (Jan. 6).

Watson is third on the team in scoring with 13.7 points per game and leads the team with 9.4 rebounds per game. He is second in the ACC in rebounding and double-doubles (5).

Missing Friel

Graduate student guard Keith Friel did not play in UVa's game against UMBC (Dec. 23) and consequently, the Cavaliers struggled from beyond the three-point arc. UVa made just one of 13 three-point attempts, marking the fewest three-pointers the Cavaliers have made in a game in the Pete Gillen era.

The Cavaliers entered the game against UMBC averaging 7.7 three-point field goals per game and 43.2 percent (54-125) from beyond the arc, but were just one of 13 against the Retrievers.

When Friel does not play in a game, Virginia is 1-13 (7.7 percent) from three-point range. When Friel plays, UVa shoots 39.8 percent (78-196) from beyond the arc.

The Farther the Better

Guard Keith Friel is shooting better from three-point range than he is from inside the arc. Friel has connected on 29 of 58 three-point attempts for 50.0 percent, while his two-point field goal percentage is just 26.7 percent (4-15).

Friel on Fire

Guard Keith Friel is off to a great shooting start this season. Friel has made 29 of 58 three-point attempts for an impressive .500 shooting percentage. He is second in the ACC in three-point field goal shooting. Friel made a UVa career-high five three-pointers on eight attempts against Virginia Tech (Nov. 24) and scored 15 points. Friel made four of five three-point attempts in scoring a UVa career-high 16 points against Ohio (Dec. 6). He made four of six threes in equaling his career high with 16 points against Tennessee (Dec. 19). His overall career best effort from beyond the arc is eight threes against Syracuse (Jan. 21, 1998) while playing for Notre Dame.

Here's a look at Friel's game-by-game three-point field goal shooting in the 2000-2001 season:

Long Island University (Nov. 17)	3-4	.750
Coastal Carolina (Nov. 20)	2-5	.400
Virginia Tech (Nov. 24)	5-8	.625
Purdue (Nov. 29)	3-6	.500
VMI (Dec. 4)	0-2	.000
Ohio (Dec. 6)	4-5	.800
Tennessee (Dec. 19)	4-6	.667
UMBC (Dec. 23)	Did Not Play	
Bucknell (Dec. 28)	3-8	.375
Dartmouth (Dec. 30)	1-7	.143
Wake Forest (Jan. 2)	3-5	.600
N.C. State (Jan. 6)	1-2	.500

Six in Double Figures

Virginia had six players reach double figures in scoring in its 107-89 win over Tennessee (Dec. 19). Donald Hand led the way with 21, while Roger Mason, Jr., added 18. Keith Friel and Stephane Dondon tallied 16 points apiece, while Chris Williams and Travis Watson both contributed 11 points.

It marked the first time UVa had six players score in double figures this season and the third straight game that at least five players reached double figures. The last time Virginia had six players score in double figures was December 10, 1999 when Chris Williams (18), Adam Hall (15), Donald Hand (15), Willie Dersch (11), Josh Hare (10) and Travis Watson (10) reached double digits in a 102-56 win at Hampton.

12 Different Scorers Times Three

The Cavaliers had 12 players score points in their 99-49 win over Bucknell (Dec. 28) with nine players scoring seven or more points. It marked the third time this season UVa had 12 players score in a game. The Cavaliers had 12 players score in the first two games of the 2000-2001 season. In their season-opening 96-50 victory over Long Island University (Nov. 17), the Cavaliers had 12 different players score with eight players tallying seven or more points. In UVa's 117-78 win over Coastal Carolina (Nov. 20), nine of the 12 players who scored had six or more points.

Last season, Virginia had 12 players score in a game four times. UVa had 12 players score in wins over VMI (11/21/99), Loyola (12/8/99), Hampton (12/10/99), and Dartmouth (1/2/00).

Seven Players Drain Threes

In addition to the 12 players scoring in the season-opening win against Long Island (Nov. 17), seven of those players connected on three-point field goals. Last season, UVa also had seven different players make threes in a win over Loyola (12/8/99).

In 12 games this season, 11 different players have connected from beyond the three-point arc. Last season, 11 different UVa players made three-point baskets.

2000-2001 Virginia Double-Doubles

Virginia players have registered seven double-doubles this season with sophomore forward/center Travis Watson leading the way with five. Here's a list of the UVa double-doubles thus far in 2000-2001:

Donald Hand - 12 pts., 11 asts. vs. Coastal Carolina (Nov. 20)
Travis Watson - 12 pts., 11 rebs. vs. Virginia Tech (Nov. 24)
Travis Watson - 10 pts., 11 rebs. vs. VMI (Dec. 4)
Travis Watson - 19 pts., 16 rebs. vs. UMBC (Dec. 23)
Travis Watson - 14 pts., 11 rebs. vs. Bucknell (Dec. 28)
Travis Watson - 19 pts., 10 rebs. vs. N.C. State (Jan. 6)
Stephane Dondon - 16 pts., 11 rebs. vs. Tennessee (Dec. 19)

Young Named ACC Rookie of the Week for Second Time

Freshman forward/guard Maurice Young was selected as the ACC Rookie of the Week for his play in UVa's wins over Bucknell (Dec. 28) and Dartmouth (Dec. 30), marking the second time this season he earned the award. Young scored a career-high 10 points in Virginia's 99-49 win over Bucknell and then equalled his career high with 10 points in the Cavaliers' 102-56 victory over Dartmouth.

Young was named the ACC Co-Rookie of the Week on November 20 after scoring eight points and grabbing four rebounds in his college debut, a 96-50 win over Long Island University (Nov. 17). Young shared the award with Duke's Chris Duhon.

Young Reaches Double Digits in Back-to-Back Games

Freshman forward/guard Maurice Young came off the bench to score 10 points in 14 minutes of action in the Cavaliers' wins over Bucknell (Dec. 28) and Dartmouth (Dec. 30). For his efforts, Young was named the ACC Rookie of the Week. Young established a new career high with 10 points in UVa's 99-49 win over Bucknell on four of five shooting from the field, including two for two from three-point range. Young was three of four from the field and four of six from the free throw line in scoring 10 points in Virginia's 102-56 win over Dartmouth.

Virginia Players Among the ACC Leaders

Player	Category	Avg./Pct.	Rank
Keith Friel	3 Pt FG %	50.0	2nd
Keith Friel	3 Pt FG Made	2.64	5th
Adam Hall	Offensive Rebs	2.33	11th
Donald Hand	Free Throw %	88.0	2nd
Donald Hand	Assists	6.67	2nd
Donald Hand	Asst.-TO Ratio	2.5	4th
Donald Hand	Steals	2.0	7th
Roger Mason, Jr.	Free Throw %	89.7	1st
Roger Mason, Jr.	Scoring	16.1	8th
Travis Watson	Offensive Rebs	3.75	1st
Travis Watson	Rebounding	9.4	2nd
Travis Watson	Defensive Rebs	5.67	3rd
Travis Watson	Field Goal %	52.8	7th
Travis Watson	Blocked Shots	1.42	9th
Travis Watson	Scoring	13.7	18th
Chris Williams	Field Goal %	54.2	6th
Chris Williams	Free Throw %	81.2	7th
Chris Williams	Scoring	14.8	12th
Chris Williams	Steals	1.58	13th
(tie)			
Chris Williams	Rebounding	5.8	14th

Virginia in the ACC Team Statistics

Category	Avg./Pct.	Rank
Free Throw %	73.6	1st
Turnover Margin	+7.50	1st
Rebounding Margin	+8.1	1st
Offensive Rebounds	15.75	1st
Rebounding Defense	32.0	1st
3 Pt FG Defense	29.4	2nd
Scoring Offense	92.3	3rd
Scoring Margin	22.7	3rd
Rebounding Offense	40.1	3rd
Scoring Defense	69.7	4th
Steals	8.83	4th
Asst-Turnover Ratio	1.23	4th
Field Goal %	48.3	5th
3 Pt Field Goal %	37.8	5th
3 Pt Field Goals Made	6.58	5th
Assists	15.83	6th
Defensive Rebounds	24.33	7th
Blocked Shots	3.50	7th (tie)
FG % Defense	44.2	8th

Virginia Splits a Pair of Exhibition Games

The Cavaliers were 1-1 in their two exhibition games during the preseason. Virginia lost to the London Leopards 89-88 on November 4, but bounced back with a 95-80 win over the Nantucket Nectars Naturals on November 12.

Cavaliers Register 88-81 Comeback Win Over N.C. State

Virginia erased an 11-point second half deficit and overcame 61.2 percent field goal shooting by the Wolfpack to post an 88-81 victory over N.C. State (Jan. 6) at University Hall.

Sophomore guard Roger Mason, Jr., led the Cavaliers with a game-high 26 points, while junior forward Chris Williams overcame significant foul trouble and scored all 17 of his points in the second half. He also pulled down seven rebounds in the contest. Sophomore forward/center Travis Watson notched his fifth double-double of the sea-

son with 19 points and a game-high 10 rebounds. He also added two blocked shots and two steals. Junior forward/guard Adam Hall contributed 12 points, five rebounds and three assists.

The Cavaliers trailed by 11 points, 55-44, with 15:54 to play, but eventually came back to knot the contest at 73-73 with 3:34 to play on a Mason three-point field goal. Mason's three-pointer sparked a 15-2 UVa run that gave the Cavaliers their biggest lead of the game, 85-75.

N.C. State shot 61.2 percent (30-49) from the field in the game, but was only 15-24 from the free throw line. Virginia made the most of its opportunities from the foul line as it connected on 31 of 35 attempts (88.6 percent). UVa held a 31-24 edge in rebounds, including a 14-5 advantage on the offensive glass. Anthony Grundy led the Wolfpack with 17 points.

Wake Snaps UVa's 10-Game Winning Streak, 96-73

Virginia fell to fourth-ranked Wake Forest 96-73 (Jan. 2) in the ACC opener for both schools at Lawrence Joel Coliseum in Winston-Salem, N.C. The loss snapped UVa's 10-game winning streak.

Junior forward Chris Williams led Virginia with 18 points, six rebounds and two blocks. Senior guard Donald Hand added 16 points, seven assists and four rebounds. Graduate student guard Keith Friel tallied 10 points to round on the Cavaliers' double figure scorers. Sophomore forward/center Travis Watson led UVa in rebounds with nine and also added nine points and two blocked shots.

The Demon Deacons shot 58.1 percent (36-62) from the field while holding Virginia to 40.7 percent (24-59) shooting. Wake Forest committed only nine turnovers in the game with the Cavaliers getting just one steal.

UVa held a 25-23 lead with 8:44 left in the first half, but the Deacs went on an 18-6 run over the next 5:34 to take a 41-31 advantage. Wake led 47-37 at the half. With Wake Forest leading by 22, 69-47, with 13:50 to go, the Cavaliers went on an 11-0 run to trim Wake's lead in half. The Deacs responded an 11-3 spurt. Darius Songaila led Wake Forest with 27 points and six rebounds.

Cavaliers Notch 102-56 Win Over Dartmouth

Junior forward Chris Williams scored a game-high 22 points and grabbed seven rebounds in leading Virginia to a 102-56 win over Dartmouth (Dec. 30) at Leede Arena in Hanover, N.H. Williams connected on eight of 10 shots from the field and all five free throws in 22 minutes of playing time.

Sophomore guard Roger Mason, Jr., added 17 points, while sophomore forward/center Travis Watson contributed 13 points and nine rebounds. Senior guard Donald Hand tallied 11 points, nine assists and four steals, while freshman guard Maurice Young rounded out UVa's double figure scorers with a career-high tying 10 points.

The Cavaliers shot 50.8 percent (33-65) from the field in the game and also made 31 of 40 free throws (77.5 percent). UVa held a commanding lead in rebounds, 46-24, including a 16-5 edge on the offensive glass. Virginia had a season-high 18 steals while forcing 24 Big Green turnovers.

Dartmouth made a three-point basket to open the game, but Virginia took the lead for good, 7-5, on a layup by Hand at the 17:45 mark. The Cavaliers shot 56.7 percent (17-30) in taking a 50-25 halftime lead. Greg Buth led Dartmouth with 16 points.

UVa Improves to 9-0 With 99-49 Win Over Bucknell

Sophomore forward/center Travis Watson recorded his fourth double-double of the season and 12th of his career with 14 points and 11 rebounds to lead the Cavaliers to a 99-49 victory over Bucknell (Dec. 28) at University Hall.

Watson led five UVa players in double figure scoring with his 14 points. Junior guard/forward Adam Hall tallied 13 points, five rebounds and three assists, while junior forward Chris Williams notched 12 points and a career-high six steals. Sophomore guard Roger Mason, Jr., totaled 10 points, four rebounds, three assists and two steals. Freshman guard Maurice Young scored a career-high 10 points to round out the Cavaliers' double figure scorers. He also equaled his career best with four rebounds.

After falling behind 5-4 at the 17:09 mark, Virginia went on a 16-0 run over the next 5:36 to take a 20-5 lead. Williams scored seven points during the run. UVa extended its lead to 27 points, 45-18, at intermission. In the second half, Virginia's lead never fell below 23 points.

The Cavaliers shot 51.3 percent (39-76) in the game, including 50 percent (8-16) from three-point range. UVa held the Bison to 33.3 percent (19-57) shooting and forced 27 turnovers in the game. Virginia also had a 52-36 edge in rebounds. Boakai Lalugba led Bucknell with 14 points.

Second Half Spurt Propels Virginia Past UMBC 85-69

The Cavaliers shook off a sluggish first half and outscored the visiting UMBC Retrievers 43-29 in the second half to post an 85-69 victory (Dec. 23) at University Hall.

Sophomore guard Roger Mason, Jr., paced four Cavaliers in double figure scoring with 23 points, which included a perfect 14 of 14 effort from the free throw line. Sophomore forward/center Travis Watson notched his third double-double of the season and 11th of his career with 19 points and a career-high tying 16 rebounds. Junior guard/forward Adam Hall nearly recorded a double-double as well with a season-high 18 points and nine rebounds. Junior forward Chris Williams rounded out UVa's double digit scorers with 13 points.

The Cavaliers led 42-40 at intermission, but scored the first six points of the second half to open up a 48-40 lead with 18:24 to go. Watson began the scoring with a slam dunk off an offensive rebound. Williams then converted a layup and Mason drained a pair of free throws for the eight-point lead.

Leading 65-55 with 9:48 to play, UVa went on a 12-4 run to open up its biggest lead of the game, 77-59, with 5:55 left.

The Cavaliers enjoyed an excellent night at the free throw line as they connected on 24 of 29 attempts (82.8 percent) with Mason leading the way with his 14-14 effort. UVa also held a commanding 48-35 advantage in rebounds, including a 23-11 edge on the offensive glass. Guard Terence Ward led UMBC with 19 points, while Peter Mulligan added 18 points.

Cavaliers Topple Fourth-Ranked Tennessee 107-89

Six UVa players scored in double figures as Virginia upset fourth-ranked Tennessee 107-89 (Dec. 19) in the Jimmy V Classic at Continental Airlines Arena in East Rutherford, N.J. The win was Virginia's first over a top-five ranked team since the 1995 season.

Senior guard Donald Hand led the Cavaliers with game highs of 21 points and nine assists. Sophomore guard Roger Mason, Jr., added 18 points and a career-high seven rebounds, while senior forward Stephane Dondon registered his first career double-double with 16 points and a career-high 11 rebounds. Graduate student guard Keith Friel converted four of six three-point field goal attempts in equaling his UVa career-high with 16 points. Junior forward Chris Williams and sophomore forward/center Travis Watson both scored 11 points. Junior guard/forward Adam Hall contributed eight points, six rebounds and a career-high five steals.

The Cavaliers, who never trailed in the game, shot 51.4 percent (19-37) in racing out to a 57-40 halftime lead. Dondon led the way in the first half with 13 points.

Virginia built its lead to 22 points, 79-57 with 11:40 remaining, and 81-59 with 11:04 to go. The Vols fought back to cut the UVa margin to 10 on three occasions with the last coming with 2:32 left (99-89). A layup and three free throws by Mason stopped the Tennessee comeback attempt.

The Cavaliers made 10 of 18 (55.6 percent) three-point field goal attempts and also converted 35 of 44 (79.5 percent) free throws in the game. Isiah Victor led Tennessee with 20 points, eight rebounds and five blocked shots.

UVa Improves to 6-0 With 90-71 Win Over Ohio

The Cavaliers had five players score in double figures for the second consecutive game in their 90-71 victory over Ohio University (Dec. 6) at University Hall. Virginia broke open a close game with a 16-2 run early in the second half.

Graduate student guard Keith Friel and sophomore forward/center Travis Watson led Virginia's balanced scoring attack with 16 points apiece. Friel made his mark from long range as he made four of five three-point attempts en route to setting his UVa career high for points. In addition to his 16 points, Watson pulled down a game-high eight rebounds and added two blocked shots, two steals and two assists. Sophomore guard Roger Mason, Jr. tallied 15 points, four rebounds, two assists and two steals. Senior guard Donald Hand and junior forward Chris Williams rounded out Virginia's double figure scorers with 13 and 12 points, respectively. Hand also contributed six rebounds, four assists and two steals, while Williams added seven rebounds and three assists.

UVa held a single digit lead throughout much of the first half and took a 40-33 advantage into the locker room. The Bobcats closed to within five, 43-38, with 17:34 to play, but the Cavaliers responded with a 16-2 run to take a 59-40 lead with 13:15 to play. Watson began the spurt with a pair of slam dunks, while Friel contributed a pair of three-pointers. The Cavaliers extended their lead to as many as 25 points on two occasions before earning the 90-71 victory.

Anthony Jones and Steve Esterkamp paced Ohio with 18 and 17 points, respectively.

Friel Competing as a Graduate Student

Guard Keith Friel received his bachelor's degree in anthropology from UVa in May of 2000 and is competing this season as a graduate student.

Hand, Friel and Williams Elected Captains

Senior guards Donald Hand and Keith Friel, and junior forward Chris Williams have been elected captains of the 2000-01 Virginia basketball team by their teammates.

Hand is the first UVa men's basketball player to serve as a team captain for three consecutive years. He served as a team co-captain last season and as a tri-captain in 1998-99.

2000-2001 ACC Pre-Season Media Prediction

(Indicates first place votes)

	Team	Points
1.	Duke (83)	826
2.	Maryland (6)	722
3.	North Carolina (4)	666
4.	Wake Forest	520
5.	Virginia	457
6.	NC State	429
7.	Clemson	231
8.	Georgia Tech	201
9.	Florida State	133

Four Starters Return for 2000-2001

The Cavaliers return four starters from last season—Donald Hand, Chris Williams, Adam Hall, and Travis Watson. In addition, UVa also returns Roger Mason, who started 11 games, and all but three members of last year's squad. A total of 11 lettermen (which does not include Greg Lyons) are back to take the hardwood in 2000-2001.

With the return of the 11 letterwinners, it's not surprising that Virginia returns from last season:

- 93.8 percent (255 of 272) of the steals
- 92.7 percent (2,341 of 2,526) of the points
- 91.0 percent (1,024 of 1,125) of the rebounds
- 91.3 percent (5,800 of 6,350) of the minutes
- 90.5 percent (398 of 440) of the assists

Cavaliers Welcome Two Newcomers

The 2000-2001 Virginia men's basketball team features two new faces and one returning member from the 1998-99 squad. Joining the 11 returning lettermen from last season, including four returning starters, are first-years J.C. Mathis and Maurice Young, and senior Greg Lyons.

Mathis is a 6-8 forward from John F. Kennedy High School in Brooklyn, New York. He was a first-team All-City selection and led Kennedy to a 28-3 record, and both the Bronx championship and the Public Schools Athletic League (PSAL) title during his senior year.

Young, a 6-4 forward from Mitchellville, Md., started four years for Bishop McNamara High School. He was the team's Most Valuable Player three times and the team captain twice. He finished his high school career as Bishop McNamara's all-time leading scorer (2,125 points) and rebounder (772 rebounds), and was a McDonald's All-American nominee.

Lyons rejoins the Virginia team after not playing last year. He saw limited action during the 1997-98 and 1998-99 seasons. A two-year letterman, Lyons was a high school teammate of former UVa player Willie Dersch.

Mapp Out

Sophomore guard Majestic Mapp tore the anterior cruciate ligament in his right knee and underwent surgery during the summer. Mapp injured the knee while playing basketball at St. Raymond's High School, his alma mater, on August 2. He is expected to be out of action four to six months.

Mapp was second on the team in assists last season (2.2 apg) and ranked fourth among all Atlantic Coast Conference freshmen in that category. He averaged 5.3 points a game and was named to the ACC Honor Roll for his academic work and athletic participation.

Pre-Season Prognostications

In addition to being ranked in the AP and *USA Today*/ESPN polls, the Virginia men's basketball team was ranked among the top 30 teams in the nation in several other preseason rankings. Virginia was ranked 18th by *The Sporting News*, 23rd by *Basketball News* and *Dick Vitale's College Basketball 2000-2001 Preview*, 24th by *Street & Smith's*, and 27th by the *Blue Ribbon College Basketball Yearbook*.

Studying Abroad

Last summer the Virginia men's basketball team traveled to Europe to compete against several club and professional teams in Germany, Belgium and France. The Cavaliers finished the trip with a 5-1 record and won their five games by an average of 35.4 points per game (527-350).

All 11 of Virginia's returning players from the 1999-2000 team made the trip, as did returning player Greg Lyons from the 1998-1999 squad. Incoming freshmen were not eligible to make the trip.

The trip was a homecoming of sorts for senior forward Stephane Dondon who is from Toulouse, France. Dondon was among several Cavaliers who turned in strong performances during the tour. In the team's win against TSV Breitengussbach, Dondon led the team with 21 points on 9-10 shooting and added nine rebounds.

Senior guard Keith Friel led the team in scoring in wins against Sceaux BBC and Lummen BBC with 23 points in each game.

Several Cavaliers recorded double-doubles during the trip, including sophomore Travis Watson who led the team with four double-doubles. Watson's performances were highlighted by a 22-point, 10-rebound effort in the win over Sceaux BBC. Also recording double-doubles on the trip were Donald Hand, Chris Williams, Adam Hall and Jason Rogers. Rogers had a 10-point, 10-rebound game in UVa's win over TSV Breitengussbach, and a 12-point, seven-rebound performance in a win against Lummen BBC.

The trip was Virginia's first since the Cavaliers compiled a 3-3 record during a 1996 European tour.