

# Phoenix celebrates year-long success



## Baseball

**Record:** 36-19, 19-8  
**Southern Conference finish:** The Phoenix clinched the Southern Conference league title and are currently playing in the tournament.  
**Accolades:** Steven Hensley, Cory Harrilchak, and Thomas Girdwood were all selected to the First Team All-SoCon Team. Hensley was name Pitcher of the Year, Girdwood was named Freshman of the Year, and head coach Mike Kennedy was named Coach of the Year by the SoCon for a second time.

## Women's Basketball

**Record:** 12-20, 6-12  
**Southern Conference finish:** Lost in the semi-finals to Western Carolina, a team they had lost to by one point in 4OTs in Alumni Gym during the regular season.  
**Accolades:** Tierra Bumbrey was named to the All-Conference Team and the All-Tournament team, along with Kitara McMoore. In the offseason, Karen Barefoot was hired to replace Brenda Paul as the head coach.

## Men's Basketball

**Record:** 14-19, 9-11  
**Southern Conference finish:** Lost in championship game to Davidson College  
**Accolades:** The men made one of the most historic run in the history of Elon athletics. Seeded seventh, the Phoenix made it all the way to the championship game, becoming the first team with such a low seed ever to do so. They were also the first team since 1988 to make it to the final game with a losing regular season record.



## Women's Tennis

**Record:** 15-10, 5-4  
**Southern Conference finish:** Lost in the semi-finals to top seeded Furman  
**Accolades:** Anna Milian and Deanna Bailey were named to the All-SoCon First Team

## Volleyball

**Record:** 17-16  
**Southern Conference finish:** Lost in the opening round to number 4-seeded Chattanooga  
**Accolades:** The women fashioned a seven-match winning streak during the season

## Track

**Indoor Southern Conference finish:** 5th  
**Outdoor Southern Conference finish:** 5th  
**Accolades:** Dominique Price retained her title, winning the 60-meter hurdles league title for a second straight year. The indoor team broke at least one record in every one of its meets.

## Football

**Record:** 7-4, 4-3  
**Accolades:** Scott Riddle, Terrell Hudgins, Michael Mayers break many Elon and SoCon records en route to one of the best recent seasons in Elon football history. Hudgins was named to the First Team All-SoCon and Riddle led an offense that remained one of the nation's most highly ranked units throughout the 2008 season.

## Softball

**Record:** 26-27, 12-11  
**Southern Conference finish:** Lost in first round to UNCG  
**Accolades:** Tracey Dahlen, Melanie Helterbran, Jackie Gonzalez were all selected to the Second Team All-Conference



## Men's Tennis

**Record:** 17-9, 7-2  
**Southern Conference finish:** Lost in the championship game of the tournament to Furman University  
**Accolades:** The team had a home winning streak of 30 matches and a conference regular season winning streak of 18. Oscar Podlewski was named SoCon Freshman of the Year and Damon Gooch was named All-SoCon First Team in singles and doubles, with Philip Nemecek as his partner.

## Women's Soccer

**Record:** 5-12-2, 3-6-1  
**Southern Conference finish:** Lost in the opening round to top-seeded UNC-Greensboro  
**Accolades:** In the off-season, the Phoenix hired a new head coach, Chris Neal, former assistant coach at UNC-Wilmington.

## Men's Soccer

**Record:** 8-7-4, 4-3-0  
**Southern Conference finish:** Lost in the semi-final round to No. 22 Furman University  
**Accolades:** The men went on an 8-game win streak during the season. Brett Pascall, Justin Wyatt and Steven Kinney were all selected to the All-SoCon team.

## Men's Golf

**Highest finish:** 1st place at Elon Sea Trails Invitational and Wexford Plantation Invitational  
**Southern Conference finish:** 6th  
**Accolades:** Senior Jimmy Lytle selected to the NCAA Regional Tournament. He was also the golfer of the week and the month in the SoCon.

## Women's Golf

**Highest finish:** 1st at Sea Trails and Wofford Invitation  
**Southern Conference finish:** 3rd  
**Accolades:** Danielle Mills and Samantha Widmer were named to the All-SoCon First Team

## Women's Cross Country

**Record:** Highest finish was 3rd at the Catamount Classic  
**Southern Conference finish:** 5th  
**Accolades:** Caitlin Beeler earned All-Conference honors

## Men's Cross Country

**Record:** Placed second at Catamount Classic for highest finish of the season  
**Southern Conference finish:** 6th  
**Accolades:** Rick Myers was named SoCon Runner of the Week

### SPORTS IN BRIEF

**Men's basketball assistant coach to leave**  
 Joel Justus, an assistant men's basketball coach at Elon University for the past four years, has been named head varsity basketball coach and an assistant director of admissions

at Woodberry Forest School in central Virginia.  
 Justus will also become director of Woodberry's Summer Basketball Camp for boys ages 10-14, which is scheduled for July.

**Elon joins ISP Sports**  
 Elon Athletics has recently joined a list of national major college athletic programs represented by ISP Sports, the nation's largest and fastest growing collegiate sports marketing company.

With the partnership, ISP receives the rights to all sales and marketing opportunities associated with the Phoenix, including live radio play-by-play broadcasts, advertising in various athletic department publications and on the official

athletic Web site, and all signage in university athletic facilities.  
 Elon joins Appalachian State as Southern Conference members who are aligned with ISP.