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#### Oklahoma Schedule NORTHEASTERN STATE (Ex.) 7 p.m. SSN WASHBURN (Ex.) SSN N11 **IDAHO STATE** SSN 7 p.m. N18 **COPPIN STATE** SSN 7 p.m. N24 vs. Washington State # 10:30 p.m. ESPN2 N25 vs. New Mexico/Santa Clara # TBD ESPNU/2 N27 TBD ESPNU/2 vs. TBD # SACRAMENTO STATE D2 SSN 7 p.m. D8 **ORAL ROBERTS** 7 p.m. SSN D10 ARKANSAS SSN 2 p.m. PROJECTED OKLAHOMA STARTERS D17 vs. Houston \$ 7 p.m. **ESPNU** D21 SOUTH CAROLINA STATE SSN 7 p.m. **ESPNU**

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#### At a Glance Date.. .....Tuesday, Nov. 1 **Tip Time** ...... 7:07 p.m. CT Radio ...... KOKC 1520 AM in OKC; ...KTBZ 1430 AM in Tulsa TV ...... Cox Ch. 3/703 in OKC and Tulsa; Webcast.....SoonerSports.com **Series**......0U leads 1-0 Last ...... 0U won 70-35 (11/5/05)



ANDREW FITZGERALD • F 6-8 • 247 • Jr. • Baltimore, Md. Brewster Academy (N.H.)

PTS	REB	FG%	MIN
12.6	5.0	.486	30.8



**NOTES:** An honorable mention All-Big 12 pick who started all 32 games last year as a sophomore ... Team's leading returning scorer (12.6 ppg) and rebounder (5.0 rpg) ... Scored at least 15 points 12 times on the year and at least 20 points four times ... Led team's regulars with a .486 field goal mark ... Shot .740 from foul line after recording a .638 mark as a freshman ... Also led Sooners in blocked shots (21) and steals (34) last season.

ROMERO OSBY • F 6-8 • 232 • Jr. • Meridian, Miss. Mississippi State University

PTS	REB	FG%	MIN
4.3	2.5	.462	13.1



NOTES: Transfer from Mississippi State ... Practiced with Sooners last season but did not compete in games ... Averaged 4.2 points and 2.6 rebounds in 12.8 minutes per contest during his two seasons as a Bulldog ... Played in 35 of 36 games as a sophomore and made three starts ... Recorded career highs of 15 points and eight rebounds as a freshman ... A two-time all-state pick in high school (rated No. 57 by Rivals.com and No. 70 by Scout.com).

SAM GROOMS • G 6-1 • 203 • Jr. • Greensboro, N.C. Chipola College (Fla.)

PTS	REB	AST	MIN
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NOTES: A highly touted point guard transfer from Chipola College in Florida ... Rated as the country's No. 3 junior college prospect last year by JucoRecruiting.com and No. 11 by JucoJunction.com ... Averaged 11.1 points, 5.9 assists and 3.4 rebounds last year for 25-6 league champions ... Originally signed with South Florida out of high school before going to junior college ... Voted by teammates as OU's smartest player on the court.

**CALVIN NEWELL • G** 6-1 • 198 • So. • Philadelphia, Pa. Evelyn Mack Academy (N.C.)

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PTS	REB	AST	MIN
3.5	1.1	1.5	12.5



NOTES: A combo guard as a freshman last year who is now on the wing ... Played in 31 of team's 32 games last year and made two starts ... Averaged 3.5 points and 1.5 assists in 12.5 minutes a contest ... Averaged 5.0 assists per 40 minutes to rank second on team ... Poured in 17 points in 17 minutes off the bench Dec. 21 vs. Sacramento State (5-for-6 3-point shooting) ... Finished with 15 points, five boards and six assists Dec. 1 at Arkansas.

76 Classic (Anaheim, Calif.) **CAMERON CLARK • G** All-College Classic (Oklahoma City) 6-6 • 198 • So. • Sherman, Texas % at U.S. Bank Arena Sherman High School

PTS	REB	FG%	MIN
9.4	4.5	.474	33.6



**NOTES:** Coming off a successful freshman campaign in which he started all 32 games and averaged 9.4 points (ranked fourth on team) and 4.5 rebounds (ranked third) ... Shot .474 from field and .373 from 3-point range while committing only 33 turnovers on the season ... Ranked eighth in Big 12 (second among freshmen) with his 33.6 minutes per game (averaged 35.2 in league play) ... Scored at least 25 points on two occasions.

### Radio (Sooner Sports Network)

"Big 12" is Big 12 Network regional television

"MSN" is Mizzou Sports Network

"FSKC" is Fox Sports Kansas City "TTSN" is Texas Tech Sports Network

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at Cincinnati %

at Missouri

KANSAS

NORTHWESTERN STATE

at Oklahoma State

KANSAS STATE

TEXAS TECH

**BAYLOR** 

at Kansas

**IOWA STATE** 

at Texas Tech

at Iowa State

OKLAHOMA STATE

MISSOURI

**TEXAS** 

at Baylor

at Texas

M22-25 NCAA Regionals

M31/A2 NCAA Final Four

^ Kansas City, Mo.

TEXAS A&M

M7-10 Big 12 Championship ^

M15-18 NCAA First/Second Rounds

All times Central and subject to change

at Texas A&M

at Kansas State

Play-by-Play	Toby Rowland
Analyst	Mike Houck

#### TV (Sooner Sports Network)

Play-by-Play	Bob Carpenter
Analyst	Billy Tubbs



OKLAHOMA'S TOP RESERVES									
No.	Name	Position	Height	Weight	Class	Points	Rebounds	Assists	Minutes
5	C.J. Washington	F	6-7	230	Sr.	2.5	3.1	0.1	11.8
14	Carl Blair	G	6-2	205	Jr.	7.5	2.9	4.7	27.6
15	Tyler Neal	F	6-7	227	So.	4.2	2.3	0.5	12.5
31	Barry Honoré	F	6-7	270	Sr.	1.2	1.0	0.1	5.7
32	Casey Arent	C	6-10	227	Jr.	_	_	_	

No.	Name	Position	Height	Weight	Class	Points	Rebounds	Assists	Minutes
0	Jon Miller	F	6-5	205	Jr.	_	_	_	_
15	Justin Johnson	F	6-7	230	Sr.	9.3	5.0	1.6	27.0
10	Landon DeMasters	G	6-4	200	So.	_	_	_	_
25	Dee Willis	G	5-11	160	So.	4.1	2.9	2.5	21.9
33	Ethan Anderson	G	6-2	195	Jr.	5.0	4.3	1.7	28.3

#### **Head Coach Lon Kruger**

- ► Lon Kruger was named Oklahoma's 14th head men's basketball coach on April 1, 2011.
- ▶ Owns a 479-304 (.612) collegiate record over 25 years.
- ► Has coached at Texas-Pan American (52-59 record from 1982-86), Kansas State (81-46 from 1986-90), Florida (104-80 from 1990-96), Illinois (81-48 from 1996-00) and UNLV (161-71 from 2004-10).
- ➤ Served as head coach of NBA's Atlanta Hawks from 2000-03 (69-122 record) and was an assistant for New York Knicks (2003-04 season).
- Averaged 25.4 wins at UNLV over the last five years (four NCAA appearances and one NIT trip) and won at least 21 games each of those five seasons.
- ► Coached UNLV to a 55-25 (.688) Mountain West Conference record the last five seasons
- ▶ Has taken teams to 13 NCAA Tournaments (14-13 record) and four NITs (4-5 record).
- ▶ Coached Florida to the 1994 Final Four, Kansas State to the 1988 Elite Eight and UNLV to the 2007 Sweet 16.
- ▶ Has led all five of the college programs he has coached to 20-win seasons.
- ▶ Is one of five coaches in Division I college basketball history to take four different schools to the NCAA Tournament and is one of three coaches to win an NCAA Tournament game at four schools.
- ▶ Is one of just two head coaches in Division I history to lead at least four different schools to multiple NCAA Tournament wins.
- ▶ Is one of four coaches to lead three different schools to NCAA Sweet 16 appearances.

#### **Lon Kruger Year by Year**

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Year	School	Record	Pct.
1982-83	Pan American	7-21	.250
1983-84	Pan American	13-14	.481
1984-85	Pan American	12-16	.429
1985-86	Pan American	20-8	.714
1986-87	* Kansas State	20-11	.645
1987-88	* Kansas State	25-9	.735
1988-89	* Kansas State	19-11	.633
1989-90	* Kansas State	17-15	.531
1990-91	Florida	11-17	.393
1991-92	^ Florida	19-14	.576
1992-93	^ Florida	16-12	.571
1993-94	* Florida	29-8	.784
1994-95	* Florida	17-13	.567
1995-96	Florida	12-16	.429
1996-97	* Illinois	22-10	.688
1997-98	* Illinois	23-10	.697
1998-99	Illinois	14-18	.438
1999-00	* Illinois	22-10	.688
2004-05	^ UNLV	17-14	.548
2005-06	UNLV	17-13	.567
2006-07	* UNLV	30-7	.811
2007-08	* UNLV	27-8	.771
2008-09	^ UNLV	21-11	.656
2009-10	* UNLV	25-9	.735
2010-11	* UNLV	24-9	.727
2011-12	Oklahoma	0-0	.000
Totals		479-304	.612

\* NCAA Tournament

^ National Invitation Tournament

#### **TUESDAY'S GAME BASICS**

Lon Kruger will patrol the sideline for the first time as OU head coach when the Sooners host Northeastern State in an exhibition game Tuesday night at Lloyd Noble Center. The contest, OU's first of two exhibition game this season, is scheduled to tip at 7:07 p.m. CT and will air on the Sooner Radio Network (KOKC AM 1520 in Oklahoma City; KTBZ AM 1430 in Tulsa) with Toby Rowland and Mike Houck announcing (it will be joined in progress following Sooner Sports Talk with Bob Stoops). The game will be televised by the Sooner Sports Network (Cox Cable 3 and 703 in Oklahoma City and Tulsa) with Bob Carpenter and Billy Tubbs calling the action. A live webcast will be offered for free on SoonerSports.com.

#### **LON KRUGER ERA BEGINS**

▶ Oklahoma announced **Lon Kruger** as its 14th head men's basketball coach on April 1. The 2011-12 season will mark the 26th year as a collegiate head coach for Kruger, who owns a 479-304 (.612) career record. A two-time Big Eight Conference Player of the Year at Kansas State (1973 and '74), Kruger compiled a 161-71 (.694) record the last seven seasons at UNLV, including a 127-44 (.743) mark the last five years for an average of 25.4 wins. Oklahoma is his sixth collegiate coaching stop. He owns a 14-13 NCAA Tournament record and is one of two coaches to lead four programs to multiple wins in the event. Kruger coached his 1988 Kansas State team to the Elite Eight, his 1994 Florida team to the Final Four and his 2007 UNLV team to the Sweet 16.

► Kruger brought with him from UNLV assistant coaches **Steve Henson** and **Lew Hill**, as well as director of basketball operations **Mike Shepherd**. Each were with Kruger for all seven years in Las Vegas. Kruger also hired assistant coach **Chris Crutchfield**, who served in the same capacity the past four seasons at Oral Roberts.

#### **BIG RETURNS**

▶ Thanks to the loss of just one senior from last season (guard **Cade Davis**), the Sooners return the bulk of their production in every statistical category for 2011-12. That includes 76 percent of the team's points, 76 percent of its rebounds, 80 percent of its assists, 84 percent of its blocks and 79 percent of its steals. OU also returns 63 percent of its 3-point field goal and 79 percent of its free throw production.

➤ Six of OU's top eight scorers last season were freshmen or sophomores. Those six players accounted for 70 percent of the team's points and 63 percent of its rebounds last year, and all six return for the 2011-12 season.

▶ Junior forward **Andrew Fitzgerald** is the Sooners' leading returning scorer (12.6 ppg) and rebounder (5.0 rpg). The 6-8, 247-pounder was an honorable mention All-Big 12 selection and recorded at least 15 points 12 times. He started all 32 games and led OU's regulars with his .486 field goal percentage. He also paced the team with 34 steals and 21 blocks.

#### 2010-11 Stats Comparison

CATEGORY	W	4
Overall Record	14-18	9-17
Points Per Game	66.0	64.0
Opp. Points Per Game	68.7	68.3
Rebounds Per Game	30.3	32.6
Rebounding Margin	-2.5	-2.8
Field Goal Pct.	.448	.416
Opp. Field Goal Pct.	.451	.447
3-Point Pct.	.337	.327
Opp. 3-Point Pct.	.362	.360
Free Throw Pct.	.738	.641
Personal Fouls Per Game	18.3	19.0
Assists Per Game	12.5	13.4
Turnovers Per Game	13.6	14.0
Blocked Shots Per Game	2.8	1.6
Steals Per Game	5.6	5.2



No.	Name	Position	Height	Weight	Class	Hometown (Last School)
1	Sam Grooms	G	6-1	203	Jr.	Greensboro, N.C. (Chipola College [Fla.])
	Steven Pledger**	G	6-4	222	Jr.	Chesapeake, Va. (Atlantic Shores Christian School)
}	T.J. Franklin	G	5-11	175	Sr.	Fort Worth, Texas (North Crowley HS)
	Andrew Fitzgerald**	F	6-8	247	Jr.	Baltimore Md. (Brewster Academy [N.H.])
	C.J. Washington*	F	6-7	230	Sr.	Stringtown, Okla. (Connors State JC)
1	Calvin Newell*	G	5-11	198	So.	Philadelphia, Pa. (Evelyn Mack Academy [N.C.])
2	Jarrod Kruger	G	6-1	174	So.	Topeka, Kan. (Kansas State University)
3	James Fraschilla	G	5-10	142	Fr.	Dallas, Texas (Highland Park HS)
4	Carl Blair*	G	6-2	205	Jr.	Houston, Texas (University of New Orleans)
5	Tyler Neal*	F	6-7	227	So.	Oklahoma City, Okla. (Putnam City West HS)
21	Cameron Clark*	G	6-6	198	So.	Sherman, Texas (Sherman HS)
2	Amath M'Baye#	F	6-9	214	Jr.	Bordeaux, France (University of Wyoming)
4	Romero Osby	F	6-8	232	Jr.	Meridian, Miss. (Mississippi State University)
1	Barry Honoré*	F	6-7	270	Sr.	Garland, Texas (Southern University)
2	Casey Arent	C	6-10	227	Jr.	Penryn, Calif. (Sierra College)

<sup>\*</sup> Letters earned at Oklahoma #Sitting out 2011-12 season

#### Final 2010-11 Big 12 Standings

In order of conference championship seeding

	Big 1	2	<b>Overall</b>						
W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.				
14	2	.875	35	3	.921				
13	3	.813	28	8	.778				
10	6	.625	24	9	.727				
10	6	.625	23	11	.676				
8	8	.500	24	14	.632				
8	8	.500	23	11	.676				
7	9	.438	18	13	.581				
7	9	.438	19	13	.594				
6	10	.375	20	14	.588				
5	11	.313	14	18	.438				
5	11	.313	13	19	.406				
3	13	.188	16	16	.500				
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#### **Oklahoma Quick Facts**

Official Name: University of Oklahoma

Location: Norman, Okla.

**Founded**: 1890

Enrollment: 30,092

Nickname: Sooners

Colors: Crimson and Cream

President: David L. Boren

Athletics Director: Joe Castiglione

Arena: Lloyd Noble Center (12,000)

First Year of Basketball: 1907-08

NCAA Tournament Appearances: 26

NIT Appearances: 7

**All-Time Record**: 1,525-978 (.609)

**Regular Season Conference Championships**: 14 (1928, 1929, 1939, 1940, 1942, 1944, 1947, 1949, 1979, 1984, 1985, 1988, 1989, 2005)

**Conference Tournament Championships**: 7 (1979, 1985, 1988, 1990, 2001, 2002, 2003)

Head Coach: Lon Kruger (Kansas State '75)

Career Record: 479-304 (26th year)

Oklahoma Record: 0-0 (first year)

NCAA Appearances: 13 (most recent 2011)

NIT Appearances: 4 (most recent 2009)

Assistant Coaches: Chris Crutchfield (Nebraska-Omaha '92), Steve Henson (Kansas State '90), Lew Hill

(Wichita State '88)

**Dir. of Operations**: Mike Shepherd (Kansas State '92)

Director of Student-Athlete Performance:

Jozsef Szendrei

Video Coordinator: Scott Thompson

**Equipment Manager**: Marco Griego

Graduate Managers: Wade Mason, Teddy Owens

Athletics Trainer: Alex Brown
Team Physician: Dr. Brock Schnebel
Official Website: SoonerSports.com

- ▶ The other three returning starters are guards: juniors **Steven Pledger** and **Carl Blair**, and sophomore **Cameron Clark**. Pledger (6-4, 222) started 26 games and averaged 10.9 points, 2.1 rebounds and 1.7 assists while making 62 treys and shooting a team-high .851 from the free throw line. He scored 38 points at lowa State, tied for the most by a Big 12 player in league action. Clark (6-6, 197) started all 32 contests and averaged 9.3 points, 4.5 boards and 1.1 assists in 33.6 minutes per game (ranked eighth in the Big 12 in playing time). He averaged 13.1 points in OU's wins. Blair (6-2, 206) started 25 games at point guard, including each of the final 22, after transferring from New Orleans. He averaged 7.5 points, 2.9 rebounds and a team-high 4.7 assists (ranked third in Big 12). Blair scored in double figures 10 times and handed out at least five assists on 16 occasions.
- ▶ Also back are sophomore forward **Tyler Neal** (6-7, 224), sophomore guard **Calvin Newell** (6-1, 199), senior forward **C.J. Washington** (6-7, 228), senior forward **Barry Honoré** (6-7, 266) and senior guard **T.J. Franklin** (5-11, 177). Neal and Newell averaged 4.2 and 3.5 points, respectively, with Neal also pulling down 2.3 rebounds per outing and Newell adding 1.5 assists. Washington is the team's lone senior on scholarship and is coming off a rookie year in which he averaged 2.5 points and 3.1 boards in 11.8 minutes a contest. Honoré contributed 1.2 points and 1.0 rebound a game while Franklin totaled four points and two assists in his 12 outings.

#### **FRESH FACES**

- ▶ The Sooners welcome six newcomers to the roster, with three of them expected to play significant roles in 2011-12. Junior forward **Romero Osby** (6-8, 232) sat out last year after transferring from Mississippi State and, according to former head coach **Jeff Capel**, was OU's best player in practice last season. In two years at MSU, Osby averaged 4.2 points and 2.6 rebounds in an average of 12.8 minutes a game. Junior college transfer **Sam Grooms** (6-1, 203) is expected to share time at point guard. The nation's third-best junior college player last year according to JucoRecruiting.com, Grooms averaged 11.1 points and 5.9 assists as a sophomore for national power Chipola College in Florida. Fellow juco transfer **Casey Arent** (6-10, 227) is the tallest player on OU's roster. He was rated the country's 22nd-best junior college player by JucoRecruiting.com after averaging 19.1 points and 11.4 rebounds as a sophomore for Sierra College in California.
- ▶ Also new to the team are Wyoming transfer **Amath M'Baye** (6-9, 214) and walk-on guards **James Fraschilla** (5-10, 142) and **Jarrod Kruger** (6-1, 174). M'Baye, a forward who averaged 12.0 points and 5.7 rebounds as a sophomore last year, has shined in early season practice but will sit out the 2011-12 campaign due to transfer rules. Fraschilla is a freshman while Kruger is a sophomore.

#### PREVIEWING NORTHEASTERN STATE

Located in Tahlequah, Okla., NCAA Division II member Northeastern State University is a school of 9,500 students that is independent but will compete in the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association beginning in 2012. NSU finished 9-17 overall last year, going 7-6 at home and 2-11 on the road. The RiverHawks are under the direction of head coach **Larry Gipson**, who is in his 15th year at the school. He owns a 240-158 (.603) record there, and is 525-318 (.623) in 29 years overall.

Northeastern State returns just four players who saw action last year, including three starters. Senior forward **Justin Johnson** is the team's leading returning scorer (9.3 ppg) and rebounder (5.0 rpg). The 6-7, 230-pounder started 23 contests last year and shot .484 from the field and .387 from 3-point range (24-for-62) in his 27.0 minutes per outing. Junior guard **Ethan Anderson** started all 25 of his games while averaging 5.0 points and 4.3 boards. Sophomore guard **Dee Willis** contributed 4.1 points, 2.9 rebounds and 3.0 assists while starting 19 games. Junior guard **Terance Reaves** came off the bench to supply 5.6 points a contest.

Tuesday will mark Northeastern State's first exhibition game of the year. The RiverHawks will also play at Oral Roberts on Sunday before starting their regular season Nov. 11 against West Texas A&M in Wichita, Kan.

#### **OU-NORTHEASTERN STATE HISTORY**

Tuesday's game will mark the second time Oklahoma and Northeastern State will meet in exhibition play. In November 2005 (**Kelvin Sampson's** final season at OU), the Sooners posted a 70-35 win over the then-Redmen at Lloyd Noble Center. **Taj Gray** paced OU with 26 points (on 12-for-15 shooting) and 11 rebounds while **Kevin Bookout** added 13 points and 16 boards. The Sooners overcame 0-for-11 3-point shooting and a 10-for-20 night at the free throw line by shooting .556 from two-point range. OU held NSU to .271 field goal shooting, posted a 47-36 rebounding advantage and forced 23 turnovers. **Sid Melvin** led NSU with eight points while **Pat Moore** added seven points and 10 boards.

The Sooners and RiverHawks have never met in regular season action.

#### **EXHIBITING SUCCESS**

Oklahoma has compiled a 43-2 exhibition record over the last 23 years. Last season, the Sooners beat Northern State (S.D.) University, 75-64, in Norman in their lone exhibition outing. The last time OU lost an exhibition game was November, 2003 (89-82 to Athletes First).

#### **UP NEXT**

The Sooners will play the second of two exhibition games when they host Division II Washburn on Sunday at 2 p.m.CT. The game will be televised by the Sooner Sports Network.

# **2010-11 STATISTICS (14-18)**

					Total		3-Poir	nt	F-Throw		Rebounds											
##	Player	gp-gs	min	avg	fg-fga	fg%	3fg-fga	3fg%	ft-fta	ft%	off	def	tot	avg	pf	dq	a	to	blk	stl	pts	avg
34	Davis, Cade	31-31	1081	34.9	147-329	.447	64-179	.358	83-114	.728	28	127	155	5.0	83	2	57	61	14	31	441	14.2
04	Fitzgerald, Andrew	32-32	985	30.8	154-317	.486	0-0	.000	94-127	.740	66	94	160	5.0	116	6	23	76	21	34	402	12.6
02	Pledger, Steven	32-26	961	30.0	112-285	.393	62-177	.350	63-74	.851	15	51	66	2.1	78	0	55	59	10	28	349	10.9
21	Clark, Cameron	32-32	1074	33.6	120-253	.474	25-67	.373	31-47	.660	39	106	145	4.5	47	0	34	33	12	25	296	9.3
14	Blair, Carl	30-25	828	27.6	70-167	.419	14-56	.250	70-91	.769	8	80	88	2.9	96	6	140	91	3	28	224	7.5
55	Thompson, Nick	17-6	291	17.1	29-63	.460	9-20	.450	8-12	.667	11	45	56	3.3	18	0	23	25	0	7	75	4.4
15	Neal, Tyler	26-6	325	12.5	32-75	.427	11-39	.282	35-43	.814	13	48	61	2.3	46	1	13	17	3	4	110	4.2
11	Newell, Calvin	31-2	387	12.5	35-86	.407	13-48	.271	24-38	.632	3	31	34	1.1	35	1	48	44	2	11	107	3.5
05	Washington, C.J.	31-0	366	11.8	26-51	.510	0-0	.000	24-39	.615	31	64	95	3.1	49	0	2	13	19	11	76	2.5
31	Honore, Barry	23-0	132	5.7	12-19	.632	0-1	.000	3-4	.750	9	13	22	1.0	12	0	2	9	5	0	27	1.2
03	Franklin, T.J.	12-0	16	1.3	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	2-3	.667	0	0	0	0.0	3	0	2	2	0	0	4	0.3
12	Ahmed, Abdul	1-0	2	2.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
25	Hardrick, Kyle	2-0	2	1.0	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Team										49	38	87		2			4				
	Total	32	6450		738-1648	.448	198-587	.337	437-592	.738	272	697	969	30.3	585	16	400	434	89	179	2111	66.0
	Opponents	32	6450		767-1699	.451	195-538	.362	470-648	.725	331	720	1051	32.8	564	13	391	424	84	213	2199	68.7

# 2010-11 BIG 12 STATISTICS (5-11)

					Total		3-Poi	nt	F-Thro	W	Rebounds		ınds									
##	Player	gp-gs	min	avg	fg-fga	fg%	3fg-fga	3fg%	ft-fta	ft%	off	def	tot	avg	pf	dq	a	to	blk	stl	pts	avg
34	Davis, Cade	15-15	506	33.7	71-159	.447	24-80	.300	50-69	.725	14	64	78	5.2	41	1	21	32	5	14	216	14.4
04	Fitzgerald, Andrew	16-16	516	32.2	74-165	.448	0-0	.000	49-65	.754	35	45	80	5.0	61	5	13	34	12	17	197	12.3
02	Pledger, Steven	16-13	508	31.8	54-147	.367	31-92	.337	26-29	.897	7	22	29	1.8	33	0	25	24	7	13	165	10.3
21	Clark, Cameron	16-16	564	35.2	65-142	.458	12-32	.375	16-25	.640	22	43	65	4.1	25	0	21	18	4	15	158	9.9
14	Blair, Carl	16-16	497	31.1	38-107	.355	8-39	.205	46-58	.793	5	47	52	3.3	53	5	74	54	1	17	130	8.1
15	Neal, Tyler	15-4	206	13.7	18-51	.353	6-26	.231	21-27	.778	9	32	41	2.7	31	1	7	10	2	4	63	4.2
55	Thompson, Nick	3-0	42	14.0	4-9	.444	1-3	.333	1-3	.333	3	3	6	2.0	2	0	1	5	0	2	10	3.3
11	Newell, Calvin	15-0	155	10.3	11-28	.393	3-16	.188	7-17	.412	1	13	14	0.9	21	1	13	18	1	2	32	2.1
05	Washington, C.J.	16-0	186	11.6	11-17	.647	0-0	.000	8-12	.667	13	30	43	2.7	23	0	2	5	7	8	30	1.9
31	Honore, Barry	8-0	37	4.6	4-7	.571	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	4	1	5	0.6	4	0	0	0	0	0	8	1.0
03	Franklin, T.J.	5-0	8	1.6	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0.2
	Team										24	14	38		2			3				
	Total	16	3225		350-832	.421	85-289	.294	225-307	.733	137	314	451	28.2	297	13	177	204	39	92	1010	63.1
	Opponents	16	3225		395-842	.469	87-245	.355	265-343	.773	170	385	555	34.7	287	8	210	218	40	109	1142	71.4

## **PLAYER NOTES**

#### 1 SAM GROOMS (6-1, 203, JUNIOR, GUARD)

- ▶ Point guard who transferred from Chipola College in Florida.
- ▶ Rated as nation's third-best junior college player in 2010-11 by JucoRecruiting.com.
- Started 50 games in his two seasons at Chipola and averaged 11.1 points, 5.9 assists and 3.4 rebounds last year as a sophomore.
- ▶ Shot .382 from 3-point range (26-for-68) and .720 from free throw line (77-for-107) last year.

#### 2 STEVEN PLEDGER (6-4, 222, JUNIOR, GUARD)

- ▶ Ranked third on team last season with his 10.9 points per game.
- ▶ Averaged a team-high 15.4 points in OU's wins compared to 7.4 points in losses.
- ▶ Shot .416 from 3-point range at home last year and .284 away from home.
- Scored a career-high 38 points (career highs of 12 field goals, 7 treys and 7 free throw makes) in overtime win at lowa State Jan. 29 (scored 17 of team's final 21 points).
- ▶ Only two Sooners have made made 3-pointers through their sophomore year (Terry Evans and Lawrence McKenzie) than his 106.

#### 3 T.J. FRANKLIN (5-11, 175, SENIOR, GUARD)

- ▶ A walk-on point guard who is the only fourth-year player on team.
- ▶ Played a total of 16 minutes last year (12 games) and scored four points.
- ▶ Helped North Crowley HS (Fort Worth, Texas) to 38-1 record and 2008 Class 5A state title.
- ➤ Voted by teammates as squad's hardest worker, best leader by example, most impressive in the weight room, fastest from baseline to baseline and best video game player.
- ▶ An information studies major at OU who graduated No. 7 in his high school class.

#### 4 ANDREW FITZGERALD (6-8, 247, JUNIOR, FORWARD)

- ▶ An honorable mention All-Big 12 selection as a sophomore last season.
- OU's leading returning scorer (12.6) and rebounder (5.0). Also led team with his 21 blocked shots and 34 steals in an average of 30.8 minutes per game.
- Started all 32 games last year and scored in double figures 22 times (netted at least 20 points four times).
- ➤ Shot .486 from the field last year to lead all Sooners who averaged at least one made field goal (shot .533 in first 19 games but just .408 in final 13).
- ▶ Shot .740 from free throw line after recording a .638 mark as a freshman.
- ▶ Arrived at OU in summer 2009 weighing 273 pounds but enters 2011-12 season at 247.

#### 5 C.J. WASHINGTON (6-7, 230, SENIOR, FORWARD)

- ► Came off bench in each of his 31 games last year and averaged 2.5 points and 3.1 rebounds in 11.5 minutes per contest.
- ▶ Shot .677 (21-for-31) from the field over season's last 20 outings (.510 on the year).
- $\blacktriangleright$  Led team in rebounds per minute (10.4 per game when projected to 40 minutes).
- ▶ A first-team junior college All-American at Connors State College (Warner, Okla.) in 2009-10 when he averaged 19.3 points, a school-record 13.0 rebounds and 1.8 block per game.
- ▶ Named the 2010 Region II Junior College Player of the Year and Region II Tournament MVP.
- ▶ Recorded 25 double-doubles in his 32 games (including a stretch of 14 straight).

#### 11 CALVIN NEWELL (6-1, 198, SOPHOMORE, GUARD)

- $\blacktriangleright$  A combo guard last year as a freshman who is moving to the wing this season.
- ▶ Played in 31 of 32 games and made two starts.
- ▶ Averaged 3.5 points and 1.5 assists in 12.5 minutes a game last year.
- ▶ His 5.0 assists per 40 minutes were second most on the team.
- ► Turned in a career-high 17-point effort against Sacramento State Dec. 21 in which he hit a career-high five treys on six attempts in 17 minutes off bench.
- ▶ Had 15 points and career highs of five boards and six assists in 32 minutes Dec. 1 at Arkansas.
- ▶ Boasts a 35-inch vertical leap (no step).

#### 12 JARROD KRUGER (6-1, 174, SOPHOMORE, GUARD)

- ▶ A walk-on who was a member of the Kansas State squad during the fall 2010 semester (did not play in a game).
- ▶ Transferred to Kansas for spring semester but was not a member of basketball team.
- ► A third-team Class 5A all-state pick as a senior at Topeka (Kan.) West High School by the Topeka Capital-Journal.
- ▶ Nephew of OU head coach Lon Kruger.

#### 13 JAMES FRASCHILLA (5-10, 142, FRESHMAN, GUARD)

- ▶ A walk-on point guard from Dallas, Texas.
- ▶ Helped Highland Park HS to a 22-8 record last year and a District 10-4A championship.
- ▶ Averaged 5.9 points, 5.0 assists and 2.7 steals as a senior to earn all-district honors.
- ▶ Voted by teammates as the Sooner who would make the best college head coach.
- ▶ Son of ESPN analyst and former college head coach Fran Fraschilla.

#### 14 CARL BLAIR (6-2, 205, JUNIOR, GUARD)

- ▶ Played in 30 of team's 32 games and made 25 starts (including each of last 22 contests).
- Averaged 7.5 points and team-high 4.7 assists in 27.6 minutes a game.
- ▶ Assists average ranked third in Big 12.
- ▶ Led Sooners in assists in 21 games, including nine of the last 10.
- ▶ Averaged 14.3 points, 4.0 rebounds, 8.0 assists and 2.3 steals in three games vs. Baylor.
- ▶ Transfer from New Orleans who averaged 9.2 points, 4.4 rebounds and 3.7 assists in 2009-10.
- ► Recorded the second triple-double in University of New Orleans history with 13 points, 10 rebounds and 11 assists in a Dec. 5, 2009, win over Houston Baptist.

#### 15 TYLER NEAL (6-7, 227, SOPHOMORE, FORWARD)

- ▶ Played in 26 of team's 32 games last year as a freshman and made six starts (including final three games of the regular season).
- ▶ Averaged 4.2 points and 2.3 rebounds in 12.5 minutes a game.
- ▶ Averaged 13.5 points and 7.5 boards per 40 minutes.
- ▶ One of team's better free throw shooters on the year (.814).
- ▶ Scored a career-high 16 points and pulled down six rebounds vs. Virginia in Maui Invitational.
- ► Earned state-player-of-the-year honors from Gatorade, the Oklahoma Coaches Association and The Oklahoman as a high school senior at Putnam City West.

#### 21 CAMERON CLARK (6-6, 198, SOPHOMORE, GUARD)

- ▶ Coming off a productive freshman season in which he started all 32 games.
- ▶ Ranked fourth on team in scoring (9.3 ppg) and third in rebounding (4.5 rpg).
- ▶ Ranked eighth in Big 12 (second among freshmen) with his 33.6 minutes per game.
- Averaged 14.7 points, 5.4 rebounds and 1.9 assists during nine-game stretch (Dec. 30-Feb. 2).
- ▶ Scored in double figures 14 times and netted at least 25 points twice.
- ▶ Averaged 13.1 points in wins and 6.3 points in losses.
- ▶ Played at least 40 minutes on seven occasions.
- ▶ Ranked No. 32 as a high school senior by ESPN, No. 34 by Rivals.com and No. 39 by Scout.com.

#### 24 ROMERO OSBY (6-8, 232, JUNIOR, FORWARD)

- ▶ Sat out last season after transferring from Mississippi State University.
- ▶ Regarded by former OU head coach Jeff Capel as the Sooners' best player in practice last year.
- Averaged 4.2 points and 2.6 rebounds in 12.8 minutes a game during his two seasons at MSU.
- ▶ Played in 35 of 36 games as a sophomore (three starts) and averaged 4.3 points and 2.6 boards.
- Recorded career highs of 15 points (vs. North Alabama) and eight rebounds (vs. Centenary) as a freshman.
- ► A two-time high school all-state performer in Mississippi who was rated No.57 nationally by Rivals.com and No.70 by Scout.com.

#### 31 BARRY HONORÉ (6-7, 270, SENIOR, FORWARD)

- ▶ A walk-on who transferred from Southern University and suited up for the Sooners for the first time last year.
- ▶ One of three seniors on the team.
- Averaged 1.2 points and 1.0 rebound in 5.7 minutes a game last year (shot .632 from field).
- ▶ Named 2008 Southwestern Athletic Conference Freshman of the Year after averaging 8.8 points and 5.1 rebounds a game at Southern.
- ▶ Started 54 of his 60 games during his two-year career at Southern.

#### 32 CASEY ARENT (6-10, 227, JUNIOR, CENTER)

- ▶ A junior college transfer who is the tallest player on the team.
- ▶ Rated as the nation's 22nd-best juco player last year by JucoRecruiting.com.
- ► Earned first-team All-Big 8 and first-team all-state honors as a sophomore last year at Sierra College in Rocklin, Calif.
- ▶ Averaged 19.1 points and 11.4 rebounds per game last season while shooting .516 from the field and .375 from 3-point range (12-for-32).
- ▶ Recorded 17 double-doubles.

## **ROSTERS**

#### **NUMERICAL**

No.	Name	Pos.	CI.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown (Last School)
1	Sam Grooms	G	Jr.	6-1	203	Greensboro, N.C. (Chipola College [Fla.])
2	Steven Pledger**	G	Jr.	6-4	222	Chesapeake, Va. (Atlantic Shores Christian School)
3	T.J. Franklin^	G	Sr.	5-11	175	Fort Worth, Texas (North Crowley HS)
4	Andrew Fitzgerald**	F	Jr.	6-8	247	Baltimore, Md. (Brewster Academy [N.H.])
5	C.J. Washington*	F	Sr.	6-7	230	Stringtown, Okla. (Connors State JC)
11	Calvin Newell*	G	So.	6-1	198	Philadelphia, Pa. (Evelyn Mack Academy [N.C.])
12	Jarrod Kruger	G	So.	6-1	174	Topeka, Kan. (Kansas State University)
13	James Fraschilla^	G	Fr.	5-10	142	Dallas, Texas (Highland Park HS)
14	Carl Blair*	G	Jr.	6-2	205	Houston, Texas (University of New Orleans)
15	Tyler Neal*	F	So.	6-7	227	Oklahoma City, Okla. (Putnam City West HS)
21	Cameron Clark*	G	So.	6-6	198	Sherman, Texas (Sherman HS)
22	Amath M'Baye#	F	Jr.	6-9	214	Bordeaux, France (University of Wyoming)
24	Romero Osby	F	Jr.	6-8	232	Meridian, Miss. (Mississippi State University)
31	Barry Honoré*∧	F	Sr.	6-7	270	Garland, Texas (Southern University)
32	Casey Arent	C	Jr.	6-10	227	Penryn, Calif. (Sierra College)

### **ALPHABETICAL**

No.	Name	Pos.	CI.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown (Last School)
32	Casey Arent	C	Jr.	6-10	227	Penryn, Calif. (Sierra College)
14	Carl Blair*	G	Jr.	6-2	205	Houston, Texas (University of New Orleans)
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<sup>\*</sup> Letters earned at Oklahoma

#### **STAFF**

**Head Coach:** Lon Kruger (Kansas State '75)

#### **Assistant Coaches:**

Chris Crutchfield (Nebraska-Omaha '92) Steve Henson (Kansas State '90) Lew Hill (Wichita State '88)

#### **Director of Operations:**

Mike Shepherd (Kansas State '98)

#### **Video Coordinator:**

Scott Thompson (Mississippi '02)

#### **Director of Student-Athlete Performance:**

Jozsef Szendrei (Oklahoma '03)

Trainer: Alex Brown (Appalachian State '79)

#### **PRONUNCIATION GUIDE**

Casey **Arent**: ARNT James **Fraschilla**: frush-SHILL-UH Barry **Honoré**: ahn-o-RAY

Amath M'Baye: ah-MOTT EM-by Calvin Newell: NEW-ool

Romero **Osby**: AHZ-bee

<sup>^</sup> Walk-on

<sup>#</sup> Will sit out the 2011-12 season due to NCAA transfer rules