Game 1: Oklahoma at UTRGV

Friday, Nov. 9, 2018 | 7:30 p.m. CT Bert Ogden Arena (7,688), Edinburg, Texas Fox Sports Oklahoma | Sooner Radio Network

OKLAHOMA

31 NCAA TOURNAMENTS ♦ 5 FINALS FOURS ♦ 4 BIG 12 TITLES ♦ 33 ALL-AMERICANS ♦ 32 POSTSEASON APPEARANCES IN THE LAST 37 YEARS

OKLAHOMA SCHEDULE/RESULTS

N1	PITTSBURG STATE [EXH.]	./ ILJU	W, 92-58
N9		7:30 p.m.	FSOK
N12	at UTSA	7 p.m.	CBSN
N18	WOFFORD	1 p.m.	FSOK
N21	vs. Florida +	11 a.m.	ESPN
N22	vs. Stanford/Wisconsin		TBD
N23	vs. TBA +	TBA	TBD
N27	NORTH TEXAS	7 p.m.	FS0K
D4	vs. Notre Dame #	6 p.m.	ESPN
D8	WICHITA STATE @	11 a.m.	ESPNU
D15	vs. Southern California ^	8 p.m.	ESPNU
D18	CREIGHTON	8 p.m.	ESPNU
D21	at Northwestern	8 p.m.	BTN
J2	at Kansas	8 p.m.	ESPN2/U
J5	OKLAHOMA STATE	1 p.m.	FSSW
J8	at Texas Tech	8 p.m.	ESPNews
J12	TCU	1 p.m.	FSSW
J16	KANSAS STATE	6 p.m.	ESPN2/U
J23	at Oklahoma State	8 p.m.	ESPNU
J26	VANDERBILT %	3 p.m.	ESPN/2
J28	BAYLOR	8 p.m.	ESPN/U
F2	at West Virginia	11 a.m.	ESPN/2/U
F4	IOWA STATE	8 p.m.	ESPN/2
F9	TEXAS TECH	3 p.m.	ESPN/2/U
F11	at Baylor	8 p.m.	ESPN/2
F16	at TCU	11 a.m.	ESPN/2/U
F23	TEXAS	11 a.m.	ESPN/2/U
F25	at Iowa State	7 p.m.	ESPN/2/U
M2	WEST VIRGINIA	1 p.m.	ESPN/2/U
M5	KANSAS	8 p.m.	ESPN/2
M9	at Kansas State	5 p.m.	ESPN/2
M13-16	Big 12 Championship^	TBD	TBD

All times Central and subject to change

- + Battle 4 Atlantis, Paradise Island, Bahamas
- # Jimmy V Classic, Madison Square Garden, New York, N.Y.
- @ Played at Chesapeake Energy Arena, Oklahoma City
- ^ Played at BOK Center, Tulsa, Okla.
- % SEC/Big 12 Challenge
- ! Played at Sprint Center, Kansas City, Mo.

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OKLAHOMA SOONERS (0-0, 0-0 BIG 12)

Head Coach: Lon Kruger Record at OU: 140-91 (8th Year)





UTRGV VAQUEROS (1-0, 0-0 WAC)

Head Coach: Lew Hill Record at UTRGV: 26-40 (3rd Year)

OKLAHOMA PROBABLE STARTERS (BASED ON PREVIOUS GAME)

No.	Name	Position	Class	Height	Weight	Hometown (Last School)
2	Aaron Calixte	G	Gr.	5-11	179	Stoughton, Mass. (Maine)
0	Christian James	G	Sr.	6-4	213	Houston, Texas (Bellaire HS)
21	Kristian Doolittle	F	Jr.	6-7	232	Edmond, Okla. (Edmond Memorial HS)
35	Brady Manek	F	So.	6-9	222	Harrah, Okla. (Harrah High School)
4	Jamuni McNeace	С	Sr.	6-10	215	Kankakee, III. (Allen HS)

OKLAHOMA RESERVES

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No.	Name	Position	Class	Height	Weight	Hometown (Last School)
24	Jamal Bieniemy	G	Fr.	6-4	181	Katy, Texas (Tompkins HS)
5	Matt Freeman	F	Jr.	6-10	229	Auckland, New Zealand (Westlake Boys HS)
22	Patrick Geha	F	Sr.	6-5	212	Leawood, Kan. (Rockhurst HS)
52	Kur Kuath	F	Jr.	6-10	204	Biemnon, South Sudan (Salt Lake CC)
14	Ty Lazenby	G	Sr.	6-5	209	Glencoe, Okla. (Northern Oklahoma College Enid)
1	Rashard Odomes	G	Sr.	6-6	217	Copperas Cove, Texas (Copperas Cove HS)
44	Hannes Pöllä	С	So.	6-11	267	Lahti, Finland (Helsinki Basketball Academy)
12	Austin Reaves	G	R-Jr.	6-5	180	Newark, Ark. (Wichita State)
3	Miles Reynolds	G	Gr.	6-3	176	Chicago, III. (Pacific)
30	Luke Stephenson	G	Sr.	6-3	198	Lubbock, Texas (McMurry)
32	Read Streller	F	R-Fr.	6-8	237	Edmond, Okla. (Oklahoma Christian School)

OKLAHOMA STAFF

	Coach	Alma Mater	Year at OU
Head Coach:	Lon Kruger	Kansas State '75	Eighth
Associate Head Coach:	Chris Crutchfield	Nebraska-Omaha '92	Eighth
Assistant Coach:	Carlin Hartman	Tulane '94	Third
Assistant Coach:	Kevin Kruger	Arizona State '06	Third
Director of Operations:	Mike Shepherd	Kansas State '92	Eighth
Video Coordinator:	Will Saxon	Oklahoma '15	Third
Athletics Trainer:	Alex Brown	Appalachian State '79	32nd
Director of Strength and Performance:	Bryce Daub	Central Washington '08	Fourth

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Jamal Bieniemy:bee-EN-uh-meJamuni McNeace:juh-MUN-ee mick-NEESE

Aaron Calixte:Ca-LIX-teeHannes Pöllä:HAH-nis POLE-uhKur Kuath:KERR KWETHRashard Odomes:ruh-SHARD OH-dumsTy Lazenby:LAY-zen-bee

THREE POINTERS

- ▶ For just the second time since 1939 and the first since 1977, the Sooners will open the season with two true road games. Oklahoma and North Carolina are the only schools from a major conference (American, ACC, Big 12, Big East, Big Ten, Pac 12 and SEC) to begin the 2018-19 campaign with a pair of true road contests. This schedule marks the first time the Sooners have begun their season with two road games outside the state of Oklahoma since Hall of Fame coach **Bruce Drake**'s first season as head coach in 1938 (OU played back-to-back games at Colorado that year).
- ▶ Oklahoma is 7-0 in season openers under head coach **Lon Kruger**. Additionally, the Sooners have won 15 consecutive season openers dating back to the 2003-04 season.
- ▶ The return to the Rio Grande Valley will be especially meaningful for Kruger, who began his head coaching career at Texas-Pan American in 1982. Kruger inherited a squad that was 5-20 in the year prior to his arrival and helped guide the Broncs to a 20-8 (.714) record in his fourth season (1985-86) at the UTPA helm. The .714 winning percentage by the 1985-86 team is the highest in the program's last 38 years. In his four seasons at Pan American, Kruger accumulated a 52-59 (.468) record before taking a job at his alma mater, Kansas State, in 1986. During OU's trip to Edinburg, UTRGV will induct Kruger into its Athletics Hall of Fame and Hall of Honor (UTPA was consolidated into UTRGV in 2015).

TONIGHT'S OPPONENT: UTRGV



UTRGV SERIES HISTORY

GamesStanding	
At Norman	OU leads, 3-0
At Edinburg	0-0
At Neutral Site	OU leads, 1-0
Last Win	54, 1/2/05 in Norman
Last Home Win	95-54, 1/2/05
Last Road Win	
Last Loss	
Last Home Loss	
Last Road Loss	
Largest Margin of Victory	, ,,
Largest Margin of Defeat	
Current Streak	OU, 4 wins

UTRGV ALL-TIME MEETINGS

Date	Location	Result	Score
1/2/05	Norman	W	94-54
12/29/03	Norman	W	72-57
12/28/81	Oklahoma Cit	y W	86-80
12/14/81	Norman	W	92-82

*All four previous meetings were against UT-Pan American, which was consolidated into UTRGV in 2015

NEXT OPPONENT: UTSA



Date	Monday, Nov. 12
TV	CBS Sports Network
Site Convocation (Center, San Antonio, Texas
UTSA 2018-19 Record.	0-0
UTSA Head Coach	Steve Henson
Record at UTSA	34-34 (3rd year)

UTSA SERIES HISTORY

Games
At NormanOU leads 2-0
At San Antonio0-0
At Neutral SiteOU leads 1-0
Last Win 97-85, 12/4/17 in Norman
Last Home Win97-85, 12/4/17
Last Road Win
Last Loss
Last Home Loss
Last Road Loss
Largest Margin of Victory 40 (112-72), 12/28/83
Largest Margin of Defeat
Current Streak OU, 3 wins

UTSA ALL-TIME MEETINGS

Date	Location	Result	Score	
12/4/17	Norman	W	97-85	
12/9/95	Norman	W	107-75	
12/28/83	Honolulu	W	112-72	

GAME OVERVIEW

For only the third time in the last 40 years, Oklahoma (0-0) will open its season with a true road game when it travels to South Texas and face UTRGV (1-0) on Friday at 7:30 p.m. CT. The Sooners and Vagueros will play off campus at the newly-opened Bert Ogden Arena, home of the NBA G-League's Rio Grande Valley Vipers. **Lon Kruger**, who is a perfect 7-0 in season openers at Oklahoma, will face former assistant Lew Hill, now in his third year at the UTRGV helm. Oklahoma is 8-7 all-time in seasonopening true road games, but has only opened the year on the road two previous times in the last 40 years (1982 at UNLV and 2015 at Memphis). Friday's opener will air on the Sooner Radio Network (KRXO 107.7 FM "The Franchise" in Oklahoma City; KTBZ 1430 AM in Tulsa; Tune In Radio App) with **Tom Dore** and Kevin Henry announcing. Chad McKee and Bryndon Manzer will call the action on Fox Sports Oklahoma and nationally on Fox College Sports Pacific. Fans with proper cable verification can also stream the game through the Fox Sports Go app and on FoxSportsGo.com.

STATS COMPARISON (2017-18)			
CATEGORY	Q	1	
Overall Record	18-14	15-18	
Points Per Game	84.9	75.5	
Opp. Points Per Game	81.7	78.3	
Rebounds Per Game	38.8	37.6	
Rebounding Margin	+0.0	-2.6	
Field Goal Pct.	.463	.404	
Opp. Field Goal Pct.	.443	.448	
3-Point Pct.	.359	.309	
Opp. 3-Point Pct.	.362	.353	
Free Throw Pct.	.746	.741	
Assists Per Game	15.0	15.1	
Turnovers Per Game	13.4	13.5	
Blocked Shots Per Game	4.7	3.3	
Steals Per Game	6.5	7.7	

SERIES HISTORY: UTRGV

- ▶ Although Oklahoma has never faced UTRGV under its current name, the Sooners were 4-0 against the University of Texas-Pan American, which was consolidated into UTRGV in 2015.
- ▶ 0U is 6-2 all-time against current members of the Western Athletic Conference, with its only two losses coming to Seattle during the 1960s.
- ▶ The Vaqueros are in their third season under head coach **Lew Hill**, who took the UTRGV job after six years on **Lon Kruger's** staff at Oklahoma. A staple on Kruger's staffs at both UNLV and OU for a combined 12 season, Hill assisted Kruger in making eight NCAA Tournaments including the 2016 Final Four. Hill inherited a UTRGV squad that was 8-22 (4-10 in conference) during the season prior to his arrival (2015-16) and already accumulated a 15-18 record (6-8 in conference) last season.
- ▶ Byron Peak is in his first season as special assistant to the head coach on UTRGV's staff. Peak had spent the previous two seasons as a graduate assistant for the Sooners and was an OU student manager for the three seasons prior to his GA position. His younger brother, Keldon, is a student assistant on OU's strength and conditioning staff.

NEXT UP: UTSA

- ▶ The Sooners' Texas two-step continues on Monday when Oklahoma heads to the Alamo City to face UTSA. The 7 p.m. CT contest will air nationally on CBS Sports Network.
- ▶ Oklahoma owns a 3-0 all-time record against the Roadrunners and defeated UTSA, 97-85, last season in Norman. This will be the Sooners' first road matchup against UTSA.
- ▶ OU is 38-6 all-time against current members of Conference USA and is 4-1 against C-USA teams during the Kruger era.
- ▶ Similar to the Sooners' season opener against UTRGV, Monday's matchup will also be against a former Oklahoma assistant coach. **Steve Henson** is in third year at the helm of the UTSA program, joining the Roadrunners after nearly three decades of playing and working for **Lon Kruger**. Henson was a four-year starting point guard for Kruger at Kansas State from 1986-90, earning All-Big Eight Conference honors as a junior and senior. Following his professional career, Henson got his start in coaching as an assistant for Kruger at Illinois in 1999 and went on to also be a member of Kruger's staff with the Atlanta Hawks, UNLV and Oklahoma for a combined 15 seasons. When Henson was hired by UTSA, the Roadrunners were

Head Coach	Current Team	Under Kruger
Dana Altman	Oregon	K-State, '86-89
RC Buford	San Antonio Spurs (0	GM) Florida, '93-94
Steve Henson	UTSA	Multiple Teams, '99-16
Lew Hill	UTRGV	UNLV, '04-11; OU, '11-16
Tim Jankovich	SMU	UTPA, '83-84; K-State, '84-86
Robert McCollum	Florida A&M	Multiple Teams, '90-00
Marvin Menzies	UNLV	UNLV, '04-05
Eric Musselman	Nevada	Atlanta Hawks, '00-02
Todd Simon	Southern Utah	UNLV, '04-05
Terry Stotts	Portland Trail Blazers	Atlanta Hawks, '02-03

coming off a last-place 5-27 season. Just two years later, Henson coached UTSA to a 20-15 record and fifth-place finish in Conference USA, earning himself the 2018 C-USA Coach of the Year honors.

- ▶ Joining Henson on the UTSA staff is assistant coach **Scott Thompson**, who served as OU's video coordinator from 2011-16.
- ▶ Henson's son, Pearson, is a sophomore at OU and in his second season as an equipment manager for the men's basketball team.

BIG 12 STANDINGS (2017-18)

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Team	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Kansas	13	5	.722	31	8	.795
Texas Tech	11	7	.611	27	10	.730
West Virignia	11	7	.611	26	11	.703
Kansas State	10	8	.556	25	12	.676
TCU	9	9	.500	21	12	.636
Oklahoma	8	10	.444	18	14	.563
Oklahoma State	8	10	.444	21	15	.583
Baylor	8	10	.444	19	15	.559
Texas	8	10	.444	19	15	.559
Iowa State	4	14	.222	13	18	.419



OKLAHOMA QUICK FACTS

Official Name: University of Oklahoma

Location: Norman, Okla.

Founded: 1890

Enrollment: 31,678

Nickname: Sooners

Colors: Crimson and Cream

President: James L. Gallogly
Athletics Director: Joe Castiglione
Arena: Lloyd Noble Center (11,562)
First Year of Basketball: 1907-08

NCAA Tournament Appearances: 31 (41-31) NIT Appearances: 7 (10-7)

All-Time Record: 1,652-1,069

Regular Season Conference Championships:

14 (1928, 1929, 1939, 1940, 1942, 1944, 1947, 1949, 1979, 1984, 1985, 1988, 1989,

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

Head Coach: Lon Kruger (Kansas State '75)

Career Record: 619-395 (33rd year)

Oklahoma Record: 140-91 (8th year)

NCAA Appearances: 18 (most recent 2018)

NIT Appearances: 4 (most recent 2009)

Assistant Coaches: Chris Crutchfield (Omaha '92), Carlin Hartman (Tulane '94),

Kevin Kruger (Arizona State '06)

Director of Operations: Mike Shepherd (Kansas State '92)

Video Coordinator: Will Saxon
Athletic Trainer: Alex Brown

Strength and Conditioning: Bryce Daub
Team Physician: Dr. Brock Schnebel
Equipment Manager: Marco Griego

Graduate Assistants: Will McNeill, Anthony Rini
Official Website: SoonerSports.com

OKLAHOMA'S LAST TIME OUT...

Oklahoma 92, Pittsburg State 58 (Exhibition) ■ Thursday, Nov. 1, 2018 ■ Lloyd Noble Center ■ Norman

Score by periods	1st	2nd	Total		
Pittsburg State	25	33	58		
Oklahoma	45	47	92		

GAME LEADERS	OKLAHOMA	PITT STATE
Points	McNeace, 15	Levarity, 15
Rebounds	Manek, 13	Franklin, 7
Assists	Calixte, 4	Cherry, 4

- ▶ Oklahoma topped Pittsburg State, 92-58, in its lone exhibition of the season. Twelve Sooners saw double-digit minutes as Kruger made sure his entire team received crucial game experience. Ten players scored at least five points, including three Sooners in double figures.
- ▶ OU paced by 12 points and 13 boards from sophomore Brady Manek. Coming off of a strong freshman campaign, Manek sunk three 3-pointers in 17 minutes on the floor.
- ▶ Center **Jamuni McNeace** poured in 15 points to go with six boards and five blocks.
- Forward **Kristian Doolittle** flirted with a double-double by producing eight points and nine boards.
- ▶ The Oklahoma defense held the Gorillas to 24.3 percent shooting (17-of-70) and outrebounded PSU, 64-38.
- ▶ The Sooners almost doubled PSU's rebounding efforts, 64-38, as six OU players pulled down at least six boards. Oklahoma's presence down low led to 50 points in the paint.

SENIOR-HEAVY SOONERS

Last season's Sooner squad was one of the youngest teams in both the Big 12 and the country. With nine freshmen and sophomores and only one senior, Oklahoma was the second least-experienced team in the conference, according to KenPom. com. The analytics website's formula, based on age and collegiate playing experience, ranked the Sooners 304 out of 351 Division I teams in experience. It will be a different story for Oklahoma

OLDER OVERNIGHT			
		2017-18	2018-19
Average Age of Roster*		19.9	21.1
Roster Age Rank in Big 12	Second	d-youngest	Oldest
Seniors/Graduates		1	8
Number of Seniors Rank in Big	12	Fewest	Most
KenPom.com Roster Experience R	Ranking	No. 304	TBD
		*On O _l	pening Night

this season, as its roster now features eight seniors or graduate students and only one scholarship freshman. Through the combination of time and targeting experienced transfers in recruiting, the Sooners now boast the most seniors and graduates of any team in the Big 12. With seven more seniors/graduates than 2017-18, Oklahoma owns the largest-known increase of seniors in NCAA Division I this season.

- ▶ The Sooners' average age on opening night in 2017 was 19.9. Heading into Nov. 9's season opener at UTRGV, the Oklahoma roster will be an average age of 21.1 and the oldest in the Big 12.
- ▶ Christian James, Rashard Odomes and Jamuni McNeace form the core group of OU seniors, as all three have spent at least three years in the Sooners' program. The trio combines for 266 games of collegiate experience and 105 starts. Both James and Odomes have been consistent members of OU's starting lineup over the past two seasons, while McNeace continued to see his role expanded as the 2017-18 season progressed. James' 11.9 points per game last season are the most among returning players while McNeace led Sooner returners in rebounds (5.4) and blocked shots (1.4). With a 7-foot-4 wingspan and one of the most athletic builds on the team, McNeace is gearing towards having a breakout senior season as the Sooners' starting center.
- ▶ Oklahoma also installed significant experience and leadership into its roster through the addition of two graduate transfer guards: **Aaron Calixte** and **Miles Reynolds**. An experienced point guard from the University of Maine, Calixte brings career averages of 11.6 points and 3.0 assists. With 1,125 career points to his name, Calixte averaged 16.9 points per game and shot 61-of-158 (.386) from 3-point range in 2017-18. Calixte faces the challenge of filling OU's point guard role, left open by **Trae Young'**s top-five selection in the 2018 NBA Draft, but will rely on his own experience at the position along with veteran players surrounding him.

SENIORS AND GRADUATES TO WATCH											
Player	2017-18 Scoring Average	Career Games	2017-18 School								
Aaron Calixte	16.9	97	Maine								
Miles Reynolds	13.3	87	Pacific								
Christian James	11.9	97	Oklahoma								
Rashard Odomes	7.2	79	Oklahoma								
Jamuni McNeace	6.8	90	Oklahoma								

- ▶ Reynolds joins the Sooners after two seasons at Pacific, where he scored 13.3 points a game last season. The guard has experience at both the point guard position and playing off the ball and aims to lend a veteran voice to the court and locker room. In the team's annual player poll, Reynolds' teammates voted him the best vocal leader and one of OU's best leaders by example.
- ▶ The Sooner seniors also feature JUCO transfer **Ty Lazenby**, now in his second year at OU, and walk-ons **Patrick Geha** and **Luke Stephenson**.

OKLAHOMA IN THE LON KRUGER ERA

SINCE LON KRUGER WAS HIRED ON APRIL 1, 201

Overall Record	140-91
Home	
Road	
Neutral	
Record in Big 12 Regular Season Play	
Home	
Road	
Record vs. Non-Conference Opponents .	
Home	
Road	
Neutral	
vs. AP Top 25	
Home	
Road	
Neutral	
vs. AP Top 15	
Home	
Road	
Neutral	
vs. AP Top 10	
Home	
Road	
Neutral	
vs. AP Top 5	
Home	
Road	
Neutral	
vs. AP Ranked Big 12 Opponents	
Home	
Road	
Neutral	
vs. AP Ranked Non-Conference Opponer	
Road	
Neutral Both OU and Opponent are Ranked	
Home	
Road	
Neutral	4-5

TEAM HIGHS IN THE LON KRUGER ERA

Points 111 vs. Central Arkansas, 12/3/15
FG Made 42 vs. Ball State, 11/15/17
FG Attempted88 vs. Kansas, 1/4/16
FG Percentage620 (31-50) vs. Baylor, 1/23/16
3FG Made 19 vs. TCU, 1/13/18
3FG Attempted35 vs. Baylor, 3/13/14
3FG Percentage .615 (8-13) vs. Okla. State, 1/12/13
FT Made39 vs. Baylor, 2/23/13
FT Attempted48 vs. Tulsa, 12/14/13
FT Percentage .1.000 (34-34) vs. lowa State, 3/2/13
Total Rebounds 63 vs. S.C. State, 12/21/12
Assists29 vs. Baylor, 1/23/16
Steals 16, Twice, Last: vs. Oral Roberts, 12/7/16
Blocks14 vs. Texas Tech, 1/26/16
Opponent Turnovers23, 3x, Last: vs. NW St, 12/19/17

PLAYER HIGHS IN THE LON KRUGER ERA

Points.......48, Trae Young vs. Oklahoma State, 1/20/18 Rebounds........18, Ryan Spangler vs. Kansas, 1/4/1618, Romero Osby vs. S.C. State. 12/21/11 Assists ..22, Trae Young vs. Northwestern State, 12/19/17

THE OTHER STAR FRESHMAN

▶ Last season, freshman sensation **Trae Young** catapulted himself into the national spotlight by becoming the first college player to lead the country in points and assists. While Young's dominating success garnished the headlines, fellow freshman **Brady Manek** quietly put together a solid rookie season of his own. The forward ranked in the top 10 among Big 12 freshmen in points (10.2), rebounds (5.2), blocks (0.7), 3-point field goal percentage (.383) and made 3-pointers (59). Manek's 312 points were the 12th-most by a freshman in OU history and his 59 3-pointers rank fourth-most ever by a Sooner rookie. He

MANEK AM FRESHMEN		
Category	Per Game	Rank
Points	10.2	8
Rebounds	5.2	4
Blocks	0.7	6
3-Point FG	1.8	3
3-Point FG Pct.	.383	3*
	*Min. 100	3-PT FGA

was one of three Big 12 freshmen to average over 10 points and 5 rebounds and one of only nine Division I freshmen to produce at least 160 rebounds and 50 3-pointers over the 2017-18 season.

- ▶ Manek proved to be a crucial component in the Sooners' winning recipe. In Oklahoma's 18 victories last season, Manek averaged 12.4 points and 5.1 rebounds while shooting 46-of-91 (.505) from 3-point range. OU was 11-4 when Manek scored in double figures and 7-0 when he hit four or more 3-pointers.
- Now entering his sophomore season, Manek will continue to be a key piece for the Sooners to succeed. He is one of two returning Sooners to average double-digit scoring in 2017-18 and his 26 starts are the second most among returners.

TOUGH SCHEDULING...AGAIN

- ▶ In each of the past three seasons, ESPN's College Basketball Index has ranked the Sooners' strength of schedule as one of the top-five toughest in the country, and the Sooners head into the 2018-19 season with a chance to continue that trend through tough competition and marquee games.
- ▶ Continually proving to be the toughest and deepest conferences in college basketball, the Big 12 will once again provide a challenging double round-robin schedule. Eight of OU's nine Big 12 opponents (Baylor, Kansas, Kansas State, Oklahoma State, TCU, Texas, Texas Tech and West Virginia) gualified for the 2018 NCAA Tournament or NIT.
- ▶ The Sooners will prepare for the Big 12 portion of the schedule with a packed non-conference lineup. OU will play as many as nine non-conference contests against teams that have reached the NCAA Tournament at least once in the past two seasons. Five teams qualified for the 2018 NCAA Tournament and an additional four competed in the 2018 NIT. The non-conference schedule is highlighted by home games against Wichita State (Dec. 8 in Oklahoma City) and Creighton (Dec. 18) and neutral-site contests against Florida (Nov. 21 in Bahamas), Notre Dame (Dec. 4 in New York City) and Southern California (Dec. 15 in Tulsa).

COACHING LEGEND

- ▶ In his 33 seasons as a collegiate head coach, **Lon Kruger** has built his career on the foundation of hard work, humility, integrity and service. From becoming the first Division I coach to guide five different schools to the NCAA Tournament to his dedicated work with Coaches vs. Cancer, Kruger has established a reputation as a genuine leader, winning coach and community champion. The John R. Wooden Award has recognized Kruger's accolades both on and off the court by selecting him as this season's recipient of its Legends of Coaching Award. The honor was announced in October by Nan Wooden, daughter of Hall of Fame coach John Wooden.
- ▶ Created in 1999, the Legends of Coaching honor recognizes college coaches who exemplify Coach Wooden's high standard of coaching success and personal integrity. The honorees are selected based on character, success on the court, graduation rate of student-athletes in their basketball program, coaching philosophy and identification with the goals of the John R. Wooden Award. As this year's recipient, Kruger joins a prestigious list of previous honorees that includes Geno Auriemma, Jim Boeheim, Jim Calhoun, Billy Donovan, Tom Izzo, Mike Krzyzewski, Lute Olson, Bill Self, Dean Smith, Pat Summit and Roy Williams. Kruger will be awarded the honor during the fifth annual ESPN College Basketball Awards on April 12, 2019.
- ▶ Entering his eighth season as the Sooners' head coach, Kruger is the first Division I coach to take five different schools to the NCAA Tournament and the only coach to win an NCAA Tournament game with five different programs. In 2015 he became the first coach since the NCAA Tournament expanded to 64 teams in 1985 to take four programs to the Sweet 16 or beyond. He has reached the Final Four in 1994 (Florida) and 2016 (Oklahoma) and owns the 10th-most victories (619) among active Division I head coaches.
- ▶ Kruger's success at Oklahoma has been evident throughout the country, taking a Sooners team that went 27-36 (.429) in the two seasons prior to his arrival to reaching the Final Four just five years into the job. Since 2011, Kruger has racked up five NCAA Tournament appearances, coached four NBA Draft picks, a national player of the year (**Buddy Hield**), a national freshman of the year (**Trae Young**) and was named the 2014 AP Big 12 Coach of the Year.
- ▶ Kruger has also shown a passion for community leadership, particularly in the fight against cancer. This summer, he was named council chair of Coaches vs. Cancer, a nationwide program partnering with the American Cancer Society and the NABC. Kruger has been a member of the Coaches vs. Cancer Council since 2007 and has been a longtime supporter of the American Cancer Society. As founder and chairman of the Coaches vs. Cancer Las Vegas Golf Classic, Kruger's leadership has helped the event raise over \$3.5 million over the last 11 years.

IT'S NOT WHERE YOU START...

- ▶ Oklahoma was voted eighth in the Big 12 Conference's 2018-19 preseason poll. OU has finished as well or better in the conference standings than predicted in five of its seven previous seasons under Kruger.
- ▶ Kruger's OU teams have surpassed their win total from each subsequent season in six of the last seven years.

OKLAHOMA 2017-18 STATISTICS

					Total		3-Poir	nt	F-Thro	W		Rebou	ınds									
##	Player	gp-gs	min	avg	fg-fga	fg%	3fg-fga	3fg%	ft-fta	ft%	off	def	tot	avg	pf	dq	а	to	blk	stl	pts	avg
11	Young,Trae	32-32	1133	35.4	261-618	.422	118-328	.360	236-274	.861	14	111	125	3.9	57	0	279	167	8	54	876	27.4
00	James, Christian	31-31	936	30.2	132-288	.458	58-159	.365	46-60	.767	34	101	135	4.4	85	2	45	47	1	35	368	11.9
35	Manek,Brady	32-26	759	23.7	124-266	.466	59-154	.383	18-30	.600	40	125	165	5.2	30	0	15	23	22	11	325	10.2
20	McGusty,Kameron	32-8	592	18.5	90-213	.423	34-102	.333	42-56	.750	12	50	62	1.9	34	0	11	26	1	11	256	8.0
01	Odomes,Rashard	31-25	654	21.1	86-170	.506	7-16	.438	43-80	.538	48	60	108	3.5	55	0	35	26	2	10	222	7.2
04	McNeace, Jamuni	32-5	576	18.0	94-140	.671	0-0	.000	29-51	.569	46	128	174	5.4	78	0	11	49	46	19	217	6.8
03	Lattin,Khadeem	32-27	642	20.1	83-140	.593	0-1	.000	46-61	.754	59	129	188	5.9	85	2	16	22	61	36	212	6.6
21	Doolittle,Kristian	22-6	373	17.0	23-62	.371	2-4	.500	16-26	.615	23	72	95	4.3	30	1	14	15	3	9	64	2.9
05	Freeman,Matt	26-0	245	9.4	23-62	.371	14-43	.326	6-8	.750	5	29	34	1.3	30	1	11	8	2	4	66	2.5
13	Shepherd, Jordan	31-0	352	11.4	22-56	.393	6-19	.316	22-30	.733	2	20	22	0.7	37	1	37	26	4	13	72	2.3
44	Polla, Hannes	16-0	49	3.1	8-17	.471	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	9	8	17	1.1	9	0	1	5	1	0	17	1.1
02	Giles,Chris	8-0	15	1.9	2-7	.286	0-1	.000	2-2	1.000	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	1	0	1	6	0.8
14	Lazenby,Ty	26-0	131	5.0	6-20	.300	2-9	.222	1-2	.500	4	12	16	0.6	19	0	4	8	0	5	15	0.6
22	Geha,Patrick	5-0	10	2.0	0-3	.000	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	0	2	2	0.4	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0.4
30	Thorpe, Marshall	4-0	8	2.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	2	2	0.5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Team										43	52	95		1			6				
	Total	32	6475		954-2062	.463	300-836	.359	510-684	.746	339	901	1240	38.8	552	7	479	429	151	208	2718	84.9
	Opponents	32	6475		964-2178	.443	293-810	.362	393-559	.703	385	855	1240	38.8	575	-	471	415	141	215	2614	81.7

OKLAHOMA 2017-18 BIG 12 STATISTICS

					Total		3-Poir	nt	F-Thro	W		Rebou	ınds									
##	Player	gp-gs	min	avg	fg-fga	fg%	3fg-fga	3fg%	ft-fta	ft%	off	def	tot	avg	pf	dq	а	to	blk	stl	pts	avg
11	Young,Trae	18-18	669	37.2	143-364	.393	62-190	.326	145-168	.863	9	67	76	4.2	39	0	145	110	5	30	493	27.4
00	James, Christian	17-17	534	31.4	74-164	.451	31-87	.356	29-39	.744	20	54	74	4.4	50	1	20	23	1	14	208	12.2
35	Manek,Brady	18-14	431	23.9	65-142	.458	32-80	.400	14-22	.636	20	68	88	4.9	17	0	4	13	10	5	176	9.8
20	McGusty,Kameron	18-5	342	19.0	48-110	.436	20-50	.400	30-42	.714	7	24	31	1.7	21	0	3	11	0	6	146	8.1
01	Odomes,Rashard	18-14	396	22.0	55-110	.500	6-11	.545	25-39	.641	31	30	61	3.4	33	0	18	15	1	5	141	7.8
04	McNeace, Jamuni	18-3	341	18.9	55-80	.688	0-0	.000	15-24	.625	25	76	101	5.6	46	0	7	27	21	11	125	6.9
03	Lattin,Khadeem	18-15	352	19.6	33-58	.569	0-0	.000	29-39	.744	24	67	91	5.1	49	2	12	12	36	22	95	5.3
21	Doolittle,Kristian	17-4	304	17.9	19-50	.380	2-4	.500	13-22	.591	19	57	76	4.5	26	1	14	13	3	8	53	3.1
05	Freeman,Matt	14-0	79	5.6	3-16	.188	2-13	.154	0-2	.000	2	6	8	0.6	11	1	2	3	0	1	8	0.6
13	Shepherd, Jordan	17-0	131	7.7	4-21	.190	0-5	.000	1-2	.500	1	5	6	0.4	17	0	8	15	1	3	9	0.5
14	Lazenby,Ty	14-0	47	3.4	2-5	.400	0-2	.000	1-2	.500	1	1	2	0.1	9	0	1	1	0	2	5	0.4
44	Polla,Hannes	9-0	16	1.8	1-6	.167	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	6	4	10	1.1	2	0	1	2	0	0	2	0.2
02	Giles,Chris	3-0	4	1.3	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
22	Geha,Patrick	2-0	3	1.5	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
30	Thorpe, Marshall	1-0	1	1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Team										26	30	56		1			3				
	Total	18	3650		502-1129	.445	155-442	.351	302-401	.753	191	490	681	37.8	321	5	235	248	78	107	1461	81.2
	Opponents	18	3650		565-1230	.459	156-435	.359	224-325	.689	214	481	695	38.6	335	-	274	209	82	139	1510	83.9

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#24 JAMAL BIENIEMY

6-4 181 FR FORWARD

KATY, TEXAS (TOMPKINS HS)



2017-18 AVERAGES												
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN								

2017-18 BIG 12 AVERAGES				
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN

▶ HIGH SCHOOL: A combo guard out of Tompkins High School in Katy, Texas...Comes to Oklahoma after leading Tompkins to the Texas 6A Championship Game during his senior year...Averaged 17.4 points, 7.1 rebounds, 6.3 assists and 2.0 steals during his senior season...Set program records in points, assists and steals...At the conclusion of the season, was named his district's MVP and was selected to USA Today's All-USA Texas Boys Basketball Second Team...Named to the Katy ISD All-Tournament Team...A four-star recruit ranked as a top-30 shooting guard by ESPN.com and 247Sports.

CAREER HIGHS			
Points	3-Pt FG Made	FT Attempts	Blocks
FG Made	3-Pt FG Attempts	Rebounds	Steals
FG Attempts	FT Made	Assists	Minutes

2 AARON CALIXTE 5-11 179 GR GUARD

STOUGHTON, MASS. (MAINE)



2017-18 AVERAGES (AT MAINE)				
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN
32-32	16.9	3.1	3.2	33.2

2017-18 BIG 12 AVERAGES				
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN

▶ 2018-19: An experienced point guard joining the Sooners as a graduate transfer after four years at Maine... Scored 1,125 points in 97 career games with the Black Bears and enters his final collegiate season with career averages of 11.6 points, 3.0 assists and 2.6 rebounds in 30.3 minutes.

▶ 2018-19: In 32 games (all starts) at Maine, averaged 16.9 points, 3.2 assists and 3.1 rebounds in 33.2 minutes...Went 61-of-158 (.386) from 3-point range...America East Third Team All-Conference selection... Led Maine in points per game (16.9), assists (3.2), minutes (33.2), 3-point field goal percentage (.386) and free throw percentage (.899)... In conference play, averaged 19.3 points per game, 3.3 rebounds, 3.8 assists and 1.1 steals per game...Shot 51 percent against conference opponents (110-for-213), along with 39 percent from long distance (32-of-82)...Led America East and ranked 14th nationally in free throw percentage

(.899)...Broke Maine's 57-year old school record for consecutive free throws made in a season (37) in a span of 11 games...Named America East Player of the Week on Jan. 8 after averaging 19.5 points, 6.0 assists and 3.5 rebounds against Stony Brook and Binghamton to open conference play...Reached double-figures in scoring in 30 games, while breaking the 20-point milestone in nine contests...Set a career-high with 25 points by going 10-for-14 from the field and 3-of-5 from 3-point range against Albany (Feb. 24)...Distributed a career-high nine assists against Boston (Nov. 22) ... Shot above 50 percent from the floor in 13 games.

CAREER HIGHS							
Points	25 vs. Albany (2/24/18)	3-Pt FG Made	4 vs. UMass Lowell (2/21/18)	FT Attempts	11 vs. Stony Brook (2/13/18)	Blocks	1 (7 times)
FG Made	10 (twice)	3-Pt FG Attempts	s 9 vs. New Hampshire (1/24/17)	Rebounds	11 vs. Hartford (2/25/15)	Steals	3 (4 times)
FG Attempts	20 (twice)	FT Made	10 vs. Stony Brook (2/13/18)	Assists	9 (twice)	Minutes	41 vs. Sacred Heart (11/19/17)

#21 KRISTIAN DOOLITTLE 6-7 232 JR FORWARD

EDMOND, OKLA. (EDMOND MEMORIAL HS)



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2017-18 AVERAGES				
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN
22-6	2.9	4.3	0.6	17.0

2017-18 BIG 12 AVERAGES					
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN	
17-4	3.1	4.5	0.8	17.9	

▶ 2017-18: In 22 games (six starts), averaged 2.9 points and 4.3 rebounds in 17.0 minutes...During Big 12 play (17 appearances), averaged 3.1 points, 4.5 rebounds in 17.9 minutes...Secured a season-high nine points - including four in overtime - against TCU on Jan. 13...Scored his first points of the season on Jan. 6 at West Virginia...Made his 2017-18 debut on Dec. 19 against Northwestern State, pulling down two boards in seven minutes...Returned to the team on Dec. 17 after sitting out the university's fall semester...Two games of 10-plus rebounds.

CAREER HIGHS							
Points	29 vs. Texas (1/23/17)	3-Pt FG Made	4 vs. Texas (1/23/17)	FT Attempts	9 (Twice)	Blocks	2 vs. West Virginia (2/8/17)
FG Made	10 vs. Texas (1/23/17)	3-Pt FG Attempts	5 (Twice)	Rebounds	15 vs. Iowa State (1/21/17)	Steals	3 (twice)
FG Attempts	18 vs. Texas (1/23/17)	FT Made	8 vs. TCU (3/4/17)	Assists	4 vs. Kansas State (1/7/17)	Minutes	36 vs. Iowa State (1/21/17)

MATT FREEMAN

6-10 227 JR **FORWARD**

AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND (WESTLAKE BOYS HS)



2017-18 AVERAGES					
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN	
26-0	2.5	1.3	0.4	9.4	

2017-18 BIG 12 AVERAGES				
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN
14-0	0.6	0.1	0.2	5.6

▶ 2017-18: In 26 games, averaged 2.5 points and 1.3 rebounds in 9.4 minutes...Named to the Academic All-Big 12 First Team...Sunk three 3-pointers to score nine points against UTSA on Dec. 4...Scored eight points on Nov. 24 vs. Portland...Opened the season by shooting 5-of-6 (3-for-3 from 3-point range) to score 13 points against Omaha (Nov. 12)...Sunk multiple 3-pointers in four games...Three games of double-digit scoring.

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Points	15 vs. Northwestern St (11/13/16)
FG Made	6 vs. Northwestern St (11/13/16)
FG Attempt	s 7 (3 times)

3-Pt FG Made	3 (3 times)
3-Pt FG Attempts	7 vs. UTSA (12/4/17)
FT Made	2 (3 times)

FT Attempts	2 (5 times)
Rebounds	5 vs. Ball State (11/15/17)
Assists	2 (4 times)

Blocks	1 (5 times)
Steals	1 (7 times)
Minutes	22 vs. UTSA (12/4/17)

PATRICK GEHA

6-5 212 SR **FORWARD**

LEAWOOD, KAN. (ROCKHURST HS [KAN.])



2017-18 AVERAGES				
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN
5-0	0.4	0.4	0.0	2.0

2017-18 BIG 12 AVERAGES				
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN
2-0	0.0	0.5	0.0	1.5

▶ 2017-18: Was his first season with the OU program as a walk-on...Saw action in five games, totaling two points and two rebounds in 10 minutes...Scored his first collegiate points on Dec. 22 against Northwestern.

CAREER HIGHS

Points	2 vs. Northwestern (12/22/17)
FG Made	
FG Attemnts	2 vs. Ball State (11/15/17)

FG Made	
FG Attempts	2 vs. Ball State (11/15/17)

3-Pt FG Made	
3-Pt FG Attem	pts
FT Made	2 vs. Northwestern (12/22/17)

FT Attempts	2 vs. Northwestern (12/22/17)
Rebounds	1 (twice)
Assists	

Blocks	
Steals	
Minutes	3 (twice)

CHRISTIAN JAMES

GUARD 6-4 213 SR

HOUSTON, TEXAS (BELLAIRE HS)



2017-18 AVERAGES				
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN
31-31	11.9	4.4	1.5	30.2

2017-18 BIG 12 AVERAGES				
GP-GS		l		I
17-17	12.2	4.4	1.2	31.4

▶ 2017-18: In 31 games (all starts), averaged 11.9 points (25th in Big 12), 4.4 rebounds, 1.5 assists and 1.1 steals in 30.2 minutes...Shot .458 from the field and .365 from 3-point range...During Big 12 play (18 games), averaged 12.2 points, 4.4 rebounds and 1.2 assists in 31.4 minutes...His 1.9 made 3-pointers per game ranked 10th in the Big 12...Enters his senior season with a team-high 714 career points...After not reaching 20 points in a game for the first 88 games of his career, he scored back-to-back career highs with 22 points at Iowa State (Feb. 10) followed by 23 points at Texas Tech (Feb. 13)...Pulled down a career-high 11 rebounds on Jan. 20 against Oklahoma State... Tallied 19 points (all in the first half) against Northwestern on Dec. 22, shooting 6-of-8 from the field and 5-of-6 from 3-point range...Shot 5-of-6 from 3-point range (started 5-of-5) en route to 19 points against USC on Dec. 8...Sunk multiple 3-pointers in 18 games, including eight games of

three-or-more...Twenty-one games of double digit scoring...Two games of 20-plus points.

CAREER HIGHS

Points	23 vs. Texas Tech (2/13/18)
FG Made	8 (twice)
FG Attempts	17 vs. Wichita State (12/10/16)

3-Pt FG Mad	de		5 (3 times)
3-Pt FG Atte	mpts	9 vs. Portland	(11/24/17)
FT Made	8 vs	. Wichita State	(12/10/16)

FT Attempts	10 vs. Wichita State (12/10/16)
Rebounds	11 vs. Oklahoma State (1/20/18)
Assists	4 (twice)

Blocks	1 (6 times)
Steals	3 (5 times)
Minutes	38 vs. Oklahoma State (1/20/18))

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6-10 204 JR FORWARD

BIEMNON, SOUTH SUDAN (SALT LAKE COMMUNITY COLLEGE)



2017-18 AVERAGES				
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN

2017-18 BIG 12 AVERAGES				
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN

▶JUNIOR COLLEGE: Comes to Oklahoma after two seasons at Salt Lake Community College in Utah...During his sophomore season, averaged 10.8 points and 7.2 rebounds and 3.3 blocks in 33 games...Helped guide SLCC to a 30-4 record along with Scenic West, Region 18 and District I titles...Led SLCC to the NJCAA national tournament...Totaled 117 blocks and deflected at least four shots in 15 of SLCC's 32 games and he ranked third nationally in blocks among junior college players...Named an NJCAA third-team All-American...Selected to the Scenic West Athletic Conference's All-Region 18 First Team.

CAREER HIGHS			
Points	3-Pt FG Made	FT Attempts	Blocks
FG Made	3-Pt FG Attempts	Rebounds	Steals
FG Attempts	FT Made	Assists	Minutes

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6-5 209 SR GUARD

GLENCOE, OKLA. (NORTHERN OKLAHOMA COLLEGE ENID)



2017-	18 AVE	RAGES	3	
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN
26-0	0.6	0.6	0.2	5.0

2017-18 BIG 12 AVERAGES				
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN
14-0	0.4	0.1	0.1	3.4

▶2017-18: In 26 games, averaged 0.6 points and 0.6 rebounds in 5.0 minutes...Scored a career-high five points against UTSA on Dec. 4...Scored three points in his OU debut on Nov. 12 against Omaha.

CAREER HIGHS	
Points	5 vs. UTSA (12/4/17)
FG Made	2 vs. UTSA (12/4/17)
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3-Pt FG Made	1 (twice)
3-Pt FG Attempts	3 vs. Omaha (11/12/17)
FT Made	1 vs. lowa State (2/10/18)

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FT Attempts	1 vs. Iowa State (2/10/18) 5 vs. Ball State (11/15/17)		
Rebounds			
Assists	1 (3 times)		

Blocks	1 vs. Baylor (1/30/18)			
Steals	2 vs. Oklahoma State (1/3/18)			
Minutes	14 vs. Ball State (11/15/17)			

35 BRADY MANEK

FORWARD

HARRAH. OKLA. (HARRAH HS)



2017-18 AVERAGES				
GP-GS	PTS	REB	BLK	MIN
32-26	10.2	5.2	0.7	23.7

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2017-18 BIG 12 AVERAGES				
GP-GS	PTS	REB	BLK	MIN
18-14	9.8	4.9	0.6	23.9

▶2017-18: In 32 games (26 starts), averaged 10.2 points (ninth among Big 12 freshmen) and 5.2 rebounds (17th in Big 12, fourth among Big 12 freshmen) in 23.7 minutes...Shot .466 from the field and .383 from 3-point range (14th in Big 12, second among Big 12 freshmen)...Made a total of 59 3-pointers (13th in Big 12, third among Big 12 freshmen), good for the fourth-most ever by an OU freshman...During Big 12 play (18 games), averaged 9.8 points and 4.9 rebounds in 23.9 minutes...Named to the Academic All-Big 12 Rookie Team...Went 32-of-80 (.400) from 3-point range in Big 12 games, ranking 12th in the conference...Totaled 312 points - the 12th most ever by a Sooner freshman...One of only nine Division I freshmen to produce at least 160 rebounds and 50 3-pointers in the 2017-18 season...One of three Big 12 freshmen to average over 10 points and 5 rebounds...Produced nine games of three-or-more made 3-pointers...His 22 blocks were the

18th most in the conference and fifth most among Big 12 freshmen...Shot 38-of-72 (.528) from 3-point range in OU's 15 home games...Notched 22 points and shot 6-of-9 from behind the arc against TCU on Jan. 13...Scored a career-high 28 points on 9-of-11 shooting, including a 6-of-8 performance from 3-point range, against Oklahoma State on Jan. 3...Pulled down a career-best 13 boards at TCU on Dec. 30...Secured 22 points on 9-of-11 shooting (4-of-6 from 3-point range) in 20 minutes against Northwestern State on Dec. 19...Helped lead the Sooners to a win at No. 3 Wichita State with 21 points and five 3-point makes on Dec. 16 - his first collegiate game of notching 20 or more points...His performance earned him Big 12 Newcomer of the Week on Dec. 18...Fifteen games of double-digit scoring...Four games of 20+ points.

CAREER HIGHS				
Points	28 vs. Oklahoma State (1/3/18)			
FG Made	9 (twice)			
FG Attemnts	16 vs. Wichita State (12/16/17)			

3-Pt FG Made	6 (twice)
3-Pt FG Attem	pts 13 vs. Wichita State (12/16/17)
FT Made	4 vs. Oklahoma State (1/3/18)

6 vs. Oklahoma State (1/3/18)
13 vs. TCU (12/30/17)
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4 JAMUNI MCNEACE

6-10 215 SR CENTER

KANKAKEE, ILL. (ALLEN HS [TEXAS])



2017-18 AVERAGES				
GP-GS PTS REB BLK MIN				
32-5	6.8	5.4	1.4	18.0

2017-18 BIG 12 AVERAGES					
GP-GS PTS REB BLK MIN					
18-3	6.9	5.6	1.2	18.9	

▶2017-18: In 32 games (five starts), averaged 6.8 points, 5.4 rebounds (16th in Big 12) and 1.4 blocks (eighth in Big 12) in 18.0 minutes...Boasted a .671 field goal percentage - the highest ever by a Sooner who made at least two baskets a game...During Big 12 play (18 games), averaged 6.9 points, 5.6 rebounds (13th in Big 12) and 1.2 blocks (10th in Big 12) in 18.9 minutes while shooting .688...Named to the Academic All-Big 12 Second Team...Averaged 10.3 points and 7.4 assists over the last eight games of the season (started in five games during that stretch)...Posted 14 points, 10 boards and two blocks in the NCAA Tournament against Rhode Island on March 15 to collect his second career double-double...In the first start of his career, racked up a career high of 18 points (8-of-11 shooting) at Kansas on Feb. 19...Scored 16 points (8-of-10 shooting) while pulling down seven rebounds and swiping a career-high three steals against Texas on Feb. 3...Produced 12 points on 6-of-7

shooting to go with eight boards at West Virginia on Jan. 6... Swatted four shots (including one block that was No. 2 on SportsCenter's Top 10) and pulled down 10 boards at Wichita State on Dec. 16... Kicked off the season with 14 points off the bench (6-of-7 shooting) while registering a career-high six blocks vs. Omaha on Nov. 12... Eleven games of double-digit scoring... Two games of double-digit rebounds... One double-double.

CAREER HIGHS	
Points	18 vs. Kansas (2/19/18)
FG Made	8 (twice)
FG Attempts	11 vs. Kansas (2/19/18)

3-Pt FG Made 3-Pt FG Attempts 1 vs. Kansas State (2/25/17) **FT Made** 4 (3 times)

 FT Attempts
 7 vs. Auburn (12/21/16)

 Rebounds
 14 vs. Texas (2/14/17)

 Assists
 1 (4 times)

 Blocks
 6 vs. Omaha (11/12/17)

 Steals
 3 vs. Texas (12/3/18)

 Minutes
 33 vs. Memphis (12/17/16)

1 RASHARD ODOMES

6-6 217 SR GUARD

COPPERAS COVE, TEXAS (COPPERAS COVE HS)



2017-18 AVERAGES				
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN
31-25	7.2	3.5	1.1	21.1

2017-18 BIG 12 AVERAGES					
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN	
18-14	7.8	3.4	1.0	22.0	

▶2017-18: In 31 games (25 starts), averaged 7.2 points, 3.5 rebounds and 1.1 assists in 21.1 minutes... Shot .506 from the field...During Big 12 play (18 games), averaged 7.8 points, 3.4 rebounds and 1.0 assists in 22.0 minutes...Named to the Academic All-Big 12 First Team...Scored a season-high 18 points while sinking a career-high two 3-pointers in a win over Baylor on Jan. 30...Notched 15 points with seven boards on Jan. 27 at Alabama...Scored 16 points with six boards against Kansas State on Jan. 16...Put together 11 points at West Virginia on Jan. 6...Scored nine points in a road win at TCU on Dec. 30...Six games of double-digit scoring.

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Points	29 vs. Oklahoma State (2/18/17)
FG Made	10 vs. Oklahoma State (2/18/17)
FG Attempts	16 vs. Baylor (1/30/18)

3-PT FG Made		2 vs. Baylor (1/30/18)		
3-PT FG Attempts		3 vs. Baylor (1/30/18)		
FT Made	8 vs.	Oklahoma State (2/18/17)		

FT Attempts	12 (Twice)
Rebounds	10 vs. Oklahoma State (2/18/17)
Assists	5 vs. Northwestern St (11/13/16)

Blocks	1 (4 times)
Steals	3 (Twice)
Minutes	40 vs. Iowa State (1/21/17)

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LAHTI, FINLAND (HELSINKI BASKETBALL ACADEMY)



2017-18 AVERAGES					
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN	
16-0	1.1	1.1	0.1	3.1	

2017-18 BIG 12 AVERAGES					
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN	
9-0	0.2	1.1	0.0	1.8	

▶2017-18: In 16 games, averaged 1.1 points and 1.1 rebounds in 3.1 minutes...Shot .471 from the field... Pulled down a career-high six rebounds in a win over Kansas on Jan. 23...Scored a career-best six points to go with five rebounds against Ball State on Nov. 15.

CAREER HIGHS

Points	6 vs. Ball State (11/15/17)	3-Pt
FG Made	3 vs. Ball State (11/15/17)	3-Pt
FG Attempts	5 vs. Ball State (11/15/17)	FT IV

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T Made	1 vs. Portland (11/24/17)

FT Attempts	2 vs. Portland (11/24/17)
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Rebounds	6 vs. Kansas (1/23/18)
Assists	

Blocks	1 vs. Northwestern (12/22/17)
Steals	
Minutes	9 vs. Northwestern (12/22/17)

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CHICAGO, ILL. (PACIFIC)



2017-18 AVERAGES (AT PACIFIC)					
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN	
32-20	13.3	2.6	2.8	31.3	

2017-18 BIG 12 AVERAGES								
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN				

▶ 2018-19: Joins the Sooners as a graduate transfer from Pacific.

▶ 2017-18: In 32 games (20 starts), posted averages of 13.3 points, 2.8 assists, 2.6 rebounds and 1.0 steals in 31.3 minutes...His points (13.3 per game) and assists (2.8) both ranked second on the Pacific squad...His 158 made free throws were the most of any West Coast Conference player...Ranked seventh in the conference for free throw percentage (.802)...Produced 22 games of double-digit scoring, including eight contests of 20 or more points...During conference play, averaged 14.1 points, 3.2 assists, 2.9 rebounds and 1.1 steals in 35.6 minutes...Posted a career-high 25 points against Portland (Feb. 10)...Went 7-of-11 from the field to score 23 points with four rebounds, four assists and three steals against Loyola Marymount (Dec. 30).

CAREER HIGHS							
Points	25 vs. Portland (2/10/18)	3-Pt FG Made	3 vs. Portland (2/10/18)	FT Attempts	18 vs. North Carolina A&T (11/25/14)	Blocks	1 (6 times)
FG Made	9 vs. Santa Clara (2/1/18)	3-Pt FG Attempts	8 vs. Portland (2/10/18)	Rebounds	6 vs. San Diego (1/11/18)	Steals	3 (8 times)
FG Attempts	17 vs. Portland (2/10/18)	FT Made 14 vs. Nor	th Carolina A&T (11/25/14)	Assists	8 (3 times)	Minutes	42 vs. San Francisco (3/3/18)

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2017-18 AVERAGES (AT WICHITA ST)								
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN				
32-20	13.3	2.6	2.8	31.3				

2017-18 BIG 12 AVERAGES							
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN			

▶ 2018-19: Will sit out from competition as a redshirt after transferring from Wichita State...Comes to Oklahoma with career averages of 6.1 points, 2.5 rebounds and 1.6 assists...Shot 82-of-182 (.451) from 3-point range while with the Shockers.

▶ 2017-18: In 33 games (11 starts) at Wichita State, averaged 8.1 points, 3.1 rebounds and 2.0 assists in 21.5 minutes...Shot 54-of-127 (.425) from 3-point range...During conference play averaged 9.4 points, 2.9 rebounds and 2.5 assists in 23.6 minutes...Led the American Athletic Conference in 3-point percentage during conference play in 2017-18 by shooting at a .451 clip (37-for-82)... Started against Arkansas State (his parents' alma mater) and played a career-high 32 minutes and hit three triples in the first five minutes...Made his first career start vs. Savannah State (Nov. 28) and finished with 12 points on 4-of-8 three point shooting...

Flirted with a double-double against Marquette in the Maui semifinal, finishing with 10 points and a career-high nine rebounds...Hit a school-record seven first-half threes en route to a career-high 23 points against Tulsa on Jan. 28...Followed up his 23-point performance against Tulsa with two more 20-point performances, scoring 20 at Temple on Feb. 1 and 22 at Memphis on Feb. 6...After averaging 6.2 points through the first 20 games, he nearly doubled his production over the next 10 games, putting up 12.1 per contest in that stretch...Scored in double figures in 12 games.

CAREER HIGHS							
Points	23 vs. Tulsa (2/18/18)	3-Pt FG Made	7 vs. Tulsa (2/18/18)	FT Attempts	10 vs. Temple (3/9/18)	Blocks	2 (3 times)
FG Made	8 vs. Tulsa (2/18/18)	3-Pt FG Attempts	11 vs. Tulsa (2/18/18)	Rebounds	9 vs. Marquette (11/21/17)	Steals	3 (3 times)
FG Attempts	13 vs. Temple (2/1/18)	FT Made	8 vs. Temple (3/9/18)	Assists	7 vs. USF (1/7/18)	Minutes	38 vs. SMU (2/24/18)

2 READ STRELLER 6-8 237 R-FR FORWARD EDMOND, OKLA. (OKLAHOMA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL)



2017-18 AVERAGES								
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN				
0-0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0				

2017-18 BIG 12 AVERAGES							
GP-GS	PTS	REB	AST	MIN			
0-0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0			

▶ 2017-18: Redshirted as a walk-on.

▶HIGH SCHOOL: In his first season with the OU program as a walk-on...Played two seasons of varsity basketball at Oklahoma Christian School...Named an Oklahoma Basketball Coaches Association All-Star...A 2017 honorable mention All-State selection by The Oklahoman...A 2017 Little All-City honorable mention choice by the Oklahoman.

CAREER HIGHS			
Points	3-Pt FG Made	FT Attempts	Blocks
FG Made	3-Pt FG Attempts	Rebounds	Steals
FG Attempts	FT Made	Assists	Minutes

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KRUGER FILE Hometown: Silver Lake, Kan. Alma Mater: Kansas State '75 Years Coached: 32 Career Record: 619-395 (.611) **Record at OU:** 140-92 (.606) Postseason Appearances: 22 (18 NCAA, 4 NIT)

▶FAMILY Wife: Rarhara Daughter: Angie Son: Kevin **Granddaughter:** Avery **Grandson:** Wyatt

▶ COACHING HISTORY

2011-Present: Oklahoma **Head Coach** 2004-11: UNLV Head Coach 2003-04: New York Knicks **Assistant Coach** 2000-03: Atlanta Hawks Head Coach 1996-00. Illinois **Head Coach** 1990-96: Florida

1986-90: Kansas State Head Coach 1982-86: Texas-Pan American Head Coach

Head Coach

Assistant Coach 1976-77: Pittsburg State **Assistant Coach**

1977-82: Kansas State

LON KRUGER

18 NCAA TOURNAMENT APPEARANCES • TWO FINAL FOURS • FIVE SWEET SIXTEENS ONLY COACH TO LEAD FIVE DIFFERENT PROGRAMS TO AN NCAA TOURNAMENT WIN NINTH MOST WINS AMONG ACTIVE DIVISION I HEAD COACHES

In his 33rd season as a collegiate head coach, Lon Kruger has built his career on the foundation of hard work, humility, integrity and service. From becoming the first Division I coach to guide five different schools to the NCAA Tournament to his dedicated work with Coaches vs. Cancer, Kruger has established a reputation as a genuine leader, winning coach and community champion.

Kruger is in his eighth campaign as head coach at Oklahoma. After inheriting a program that went 27-36 (.429) in the two seasons prior to his arrival, Kruger has coached the Sooners to a 140-91 (.606) record in his seven years in Norman and has reached the NCAA Tournament in five of the past six seasons.

One of Kruger's signature accomplishments has been the rebuilding stamp he's put on college basketball programs throughout his career. He was the first Division I coach to take five different schools to the NCAA Tournament and is the only coach to win an NCAA Tournament game with five programs. In 2015, he became the first and only coach since the NCAA Tournament expanded to 64 teams in 1985 to take four programs to the Sweet 16 or beyond. He is one of only three head coaches to ever lead four schools to multiple NCAA Tournament

Entering the 2018-19 season with a career record of 619-395 (.611), Kruger boasts the 10th-most career wins among active coaches and is the 33rd head coach to win 600 Division I games in the history of college basketball. Kruger owns a 20-18 record in NCAA Tournament games and has compiled 16 20-plus-win seasons, including nine in his last 13 years.

Oklahoma wasn't the first rapid turnaround under Kruger. When Kruger took over the Florida job in 1990, the Gators were coming off of a 7-21 season. Four years into the role, Kruger quided UF to the 1994 Final Four. Kruger is one of just two head coaches (also Rick Pitino with

Kentucky and Louisville) to inherit two teams coming off a sub-.500 year and take both to the Final Four within the first five seasons as head coach.

A staple of the NCAA postseason, Kruger has taken five different schools to the Big Dance. His collegiate teams have made postseason appearances in 22 of the last 29 years. He has guided teams to 18 NCAA Tournaments, five Sweet 16s and two Final Fours.

As hard as Kruger works to achieve excellence on the hardwood, he is just as committed to his role as a community leader in the fight against cancer. Kruger is in his first year as council chair of Coaches vs. Cancer, a nationwide program partnering with the American Cancer Society and the National Association of Basketball Coaches. Kruger has been a member of the Coaches vs. Cancer Council since 2007 and has been a longtime supporter of the American Cancer Society.

Kruger's accolades both on and off the court have earned him multiple recognitions over recent years. In 2017, Kruger was honored with the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) Metropolitan Award for long and outstanding service to men's college basketball.

Before the start of the 2018-19 campaign, the John R. Wooden Award selected him as the 2019 recipient of its Legends of Coaching Award. Created in 1999, the Legends of Coaching honor recognizes college coaches who exemplify Coach Wooden's high standard of coaching success and personal integrity. The honorees are selected based on character, success on the court, graduation rate of student-athletes in their basketball program, coaching philosophy and identification with the goals of the John R. Wooden Award.

Kruger rebuilt the Sooners upon his arrival in Norman. His 111 wins in the first five seasons are the second most through the first five seasons of coaching at OU (Billy Tubbs went 115-49 from 1980-85). He was the first coach in OU history to win six NCAA tournament games within his first five seasons. Following the 2013-14 season, he was voted the AP Big 12 Coach of the Year.

Under Kruger, Sooner players have earned First-Team All-Big 12 selections on four occasions and racked up 20 Academic All-Big 12 honors. Buddy Hield, who played four seasons for Kruger (2012-16), was named the winner of the 2016 Wooden Award, Naismith Trophy and the Oscar Robertson Trophy as the national player of the year (first consensus player of the year for OU since Blake Griffin in 2009). Hield was named Big 12 Player of the Year in both 2015 and 2016 (second player in conference history to win the award twice) and exited OU as the Big 12's all-time leading scorer.

This past season, Kruger mentored Trae Young - the first player in college basketball history to lead the country in both points and assists. Oklahoma's 11th Consensus All-America First Team selection, Young set program, conference and NCAA records throughout his lone season with the Sooners.

Four Sooners have been drafted into the NBA during Kruger's tenure, including two in the top six. Young was taken as the fifth overall pick in the 2018 NBA Draft while Hield was selected as the sixth overall choice 2016. Isaiah Cousins (2016) and Romero Osby (2013) were chosen in the second round of their

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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	15-16	.483
2012-13	* Oklahoma	20-12	.625
2013-14	* Oklahoma	23-10	.697
2014-15	* Oklahoma	24-11	.686
2015-16	* Oklahoma	29-8	.784
2016-17	Oklahoma	11-20	.354
2017-18	* Oklahoma	18-14	.563
2018-19	Oklahoma	0-0	.000
Totals		619-395	.611
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LON KRUGER YEAR BY YEAR

OKLAHOMA NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	CI.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown (Last School)
0	Christian James***	G	Sr.	6-4	213	Houston, Texas (Bellaire HS)
1	Rashard Odomes***	G	Sr.	6-6	217	Copperas Cove, Texas (Copperas Cove HS)
2	Aaron Calixte	G	Gr.	5-11	179	Stoughton, Mass. (Maine)
3	Miles Reynolds	G	Gr.	6-3	176	Chicago, III. (Pacific)
4	Jamuni McNeace***	С	Sr.	6-10	215	Kankakee, III. (Allen HS)
5	Matt Freeman**	F	Jr.	6-10	229	Auckland, New Zealand (Westlake Boys HS)
12	Austin Reaves#	G	R-Jr.	6-5	180	Newark, Ark. (Wichita State)
14	Ty Lazenby*	G	Sr.	6-5	209	Glencoe, Okla. (Northern Oklahoma College Enid)
21	Kristian Doolittle**	F	Jr.	6-7	232	Edmond, Okla. (Edmond Memorial HS)
22	Patrick Geha^*	F	Sr.	6-5	212	Leawood, Kan. (Rockhurst HS)
24	Jamal Bieniemy	G	Fr.	6-4	181	Katy, Texas (Tompkins HS)
30	Luke Stephenson	G	Sr.	6-3	198	Lubbock, Texas (McMurry)
32	Read Streller^*	F	R-Fr.	6-8	237	Edmond, Okla. (Oklahoma Christian School)
35	Brady Manek*	F	So.	6-9	222	Harrah, Okla. (Harrah High School)
44	Hannes Pöllä*	С	So.	6-11	267	Lahti, Finland (Helsinki Basketball Academy)
52	Kur Kuath	F	Jr.	6-10	204	Biemnon, South Sudan (Salt Lake Community College)

ALPHABETICAL NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	CI.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown (Last School)
24	Jamal Bieniemy	G	Fr.	6-4	181	Katy, Texas (Tompkins HS)
2	Aaron Calixte	G	Gr.	5-11	179	Stoughton, Mass. (Maine)
21	Kristian Doolittle**	F	Jr.	6-7	232	Edmond, Okla. (Edmond Memorial HS)
5	Matt Freeman**	F	Jr.	6-10	229	Auckland, New Zealand (Westlake Boys HS)
22	Patrick Geha^*	F	Sr.	6-5	212	Leawood, Kan. (Rockhurst HS)
0	Christian James***	G	Sr.	6-4	213	Houston, Texas (Bellaire HS)
52	Kur Kuath	F	Jr.	6-10	204	Biemnon, South Sudan (Salt Lake Community College)
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32	Read Streller^*	F	R-Fr.	6-8	237	Edmond, Okla. (Oklahoma Christian School)

^{*} Letters earned at Oklahoma

STAFF

Head Coach: Lon Kruger (Kansas State '75)
Associate Head Coach: Chris Crutchfield (Nebraska-Omaha '92)
Assistant Coach: Carlin Hartman (Tulane '94)
Assistant Coach: Kevin Kruger (Arizona State '06)
Director of Operations: Mike Shepherd (Kansas State '92)
Strength and Performance Coach: Bryce Daub (Central Washington '08)
Athletics Trainer: Alex Brown (Appalachian State '79)
Video Coordinator: Will Saxon (Oklahoma '15)

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