Bonnie Skrenta begins her sixth season as DePauw’s head softball coach and has led the Tigers to a 107-82-1 record. Included in that are school-record win totals each of the last two seasons for a 68-17 mark over that time.

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Skrenta’s teams also have maintained strong academics as the 2006-07 team averaged a 3.36 for the year including a 3.42 during the season. The Tigers placed 13 student-athletes on the SCAC Academic Honor Roll.

A 2000 cum laude graduate of Providence (R.I.) College, Skrenta earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in mathematics and minored in business studies. As a senior she served as a softball captain for the Friars. In May 2002, she earned a Master of Science degree in exercise and sport studies from Smith College in Northampton, Mass., where she served as an assistant softball coach. She conducted on-field instruction and practice planning as well as organized the team’s travel and served as the head coach during the fall season. She also served as a Teacher Fellow at Smith in the Department of Exercise and Sport Studies.

Skrenta also serves as a part-time instructor of kinesiology at DePauw.
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DePauw also welcomes back all three outfielders in Chelsy Patterson, Carolyn Bartlett and Kaitlyn Davitt. Patterson, an all-region player last season, hit .419, while Davitt batted .375. Bartlett was the SCAC Offensive Player of the Year in 2006 and hit .353 in 2007. As a group, the three committed just one error last year. Lauren Rees returns at second base after hitting .295. Among the returning players battling for time in the infield are Kelly Schwerzler and Erin Ketcham.

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The SCAC is currently comprised of Austin College, Sherman, Texas; Birmingham-Southern College; Birmingham, Ala.; Centre College, Danville, Ky.; Colorado College, Colorado Springs, Colo.; DePauw University, Greencastle, Ind.; Hendrix College, Conway, Ark.; Millsaps College of Jackson, Miss.; Ogletorpe University, Atlanta, Ga.; Rhodes College, Memphis, Tenn.; The University of the South, Sewann, Tenn.; Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas; and Trinity University, San Antonio, Texas.

With 11 of the 12 member institutions maintaining Phi Beta Kappa chapters on their campuses, the SCAC boasts some of the most prestigious colleges and universities in the nation. SCAC schools are consistently ranked among the top 50 colleges and universities in the nation in such respected publications as Barron’s, Peterson’s, The National Review College Guide as well as The Princeton Review.

## Athletic Facilities

Practice and games take place in one of the finest softball complexes in the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference and NCAA Division III. The fully-enclosed softball diamond includes a skinned infield, dugouts, batting cage and two bullpens. During inclement weather, the Tigers also practice in the state-of-the-art 135,500-square-foot indoor tennis and track center. Along with the Lilly Physical Education and Recreation Center, DePauw’s students have access to locker facilities, multiple training rooms, a fitness center with free weights and aerobic equipment and two gymnasia.