LANDER UNIVERSITY ESPORTS

AN INTRODUCTION TO LANDER UNIVERSITY AND THE COMPETITIVE SCENE OF COLLEGE ESPORTS

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LANDER UNIVERSITY OVERVIEW

- Greenwood, South Carolina
- Small, public 4-year institution
  - Just over 4,000 students
  - 90 areas of study
- NCAA Division II (Peach Belt Conference)
- In-state tuition: $11,700
- Out-of-state tuition: $21,300



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WHO AM I?

COACH FAUST - BILLY HOWARD
12TH YEAR OF COACHING

Coaching Experience

- (2014-17) - University of Northern Iowa
- (2017-18) - University of North Georgia
- (2017-18) - Paladins Esports (amateur)
- (2018-19) - Arizona State University
- (2018-19) - Pentae Occidere Esports (amateur)
- (2019-21) - Hawkeye Community College
- (2020-21) - Syndicate Esports (amateur)
- (2021-22) - Missouri Western State University
- (2023-23) - Florida Southern College
- (2023-present) - Lander University

Committee Experience

- (2019) - ESPN College League of Legends Coaches Poll
- (2020) - NAECAD Level 5 Coaching Certification
- (2020-21) - NJCAAE Competition Committee Chair
- (2021-22) - Kansas City Esports Coalition Advisory Council
- (2022) - College League of Legends Championship Selection Committee
- (2024) - College League of Legends Championship Selection Committee

Results

- 99 playoff appearances
- 39 regular season championships
- 23 tournament championships
- 2 National Championships (3 appearances)





MY COACHING RECORDS

99 - Playoff Appearances
46 - Top 3 Finishes
39 - Reg. Season Championships
23 - Tournament Championships

Career Totals			
Game Title	Wins	Losses	%
League of Legends	256	141	64.48%
Overwatch	119	68	63.64%
Rocket League	239	153	60.97%
Rainbow 6 Siege	16	6	72.73%
Valorant	92	76	54.76%
Marvel Rivals	24	11	68.57%
Career Totals	**746**	**455**	**62.11%**

Records by School						
School	Start	End	Wins	Losses	Total Games	Win %
University of Northern Iowa	9/1/2014	4/24/2018	61	27	88	69.32%
University of North Georgia	4/24/2018	10/14/2018	12	3	15	80.00%
Arizona State University	10/14/2018	2/19/2019	14	5	19	73.68%
Hawkeye Community College	2/19/2019	4/20/2021	227	163	390	58.21%
Missouri Western State University	1/22/2022	1/10/2023	20	5	25	80.00%
Florida Southern College	1/10/2023	7/1/2023	22	7	29	75.86%
Lander University	7/4/2023	5/8/2026	344	227	571	60.25%
Total			**700**	**437**	**1137**	**61.57%**

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LANDER UNIVERSITY ESPORTS RECORDS

	REGULAR SEASON			
	WINS	LOSSES	TOTAL	WIN %
Fall 23	33	36	69	47.83%
Spring 24	54	40	94	57.45%
Fall 24	81	43	124	65.32%
Spring 25	48	38	86	55.81%
Fall 25	39	18	57	68.42%
Spring 26	23	2	25	92.00%
Regular Season Totals	**255**	**175**	**430**	**59.30%**

	PLAYOFFS			
	WINS	LOSSES	TOTAL	WIN %
Fall 23	5	4	9	55.56%
Spring 24	4	13	17	23.53%
Fall 24	14	11	25	56.00%
Spring 25	17	12	29	58.62%
Fall 25	12	5	17	70.59%
Spring 26	14	5	19	73.68%
Playoff Totals	**52**	**45**	**97**	**53.61%**

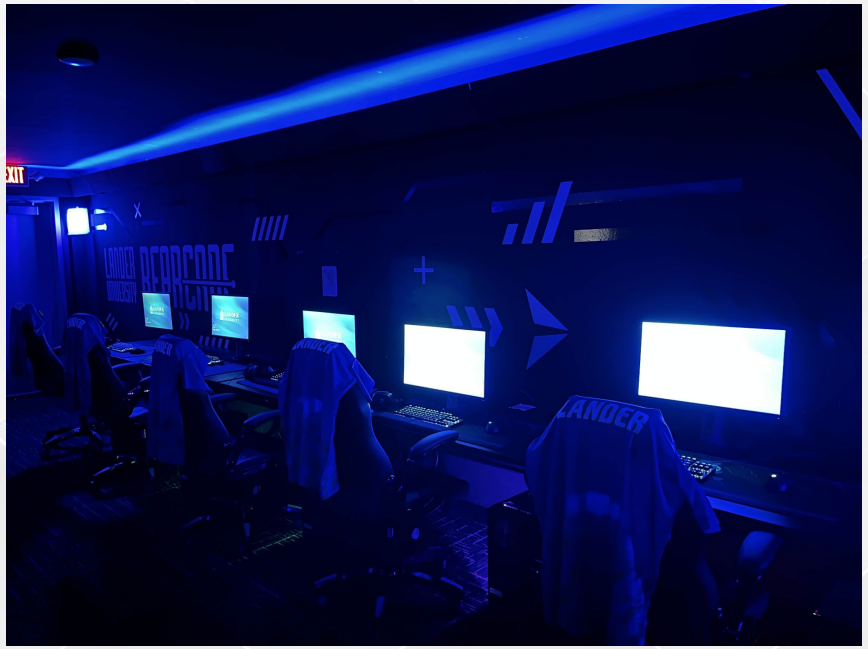
	COMBINED TOTALS			
	WINS	LOSSES	TOTAL	WIN %
Fall 23	38	40	78	48.72%
Spring 24	58	53	111	52.25%
Fall 24	95	54	149	63.76%
Spring 25	65	50	115	56.52%
Fall 25	51	23	74	68.92%
Spring 26	37	7	44	84.09%
Combined	**344**	**227**	**571**	**60.25%**

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WHAT TO EXPECT

- This is not casual or “for-fun”
  - The most important thing is committment
- Fall season runs from August to December, followed by the Spring season which runs from mid-January to late March.

- Unexcused absences for practice or class will result in not playing in that week’s games and can lead to removal from the competitive team.



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SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

- Scholarships are offered to exceptional student-athletes who are fully committed to furthering their education and development
- Amounts vary based on if you are in-state or out-of-state
- Scholarships renew automatically every year as long as eligibility criteria is continually met



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IN-STATE TUITION INFORMATION

Extra financial aid (FAFSA, SC HOPE/LIFE Scholarships)
Amounts vary based on different factors

Athletic Scholarship
$500-$1,000
Varies based on GPA and skill level



1 **Remaining Tuition**
After all factors, tuition at Lander is generally cheaper than most in-state schools

3 **Academic Scholarship**
$1000 - $6000

- President's Award - $6,000 - 3.5 GPA and 30-36 ACT/1360+ SAT
- Trustee's Award - $4,500 - 3.5 GPA and 26-29 ACT/1230-1350 SAT
- Provost's Award - $3,000 - 3.5 GPA and 22-25 ACT/1100-1220 SAT
- Dean's Award - $1000 - 3.5 GPA and 20-21 ACT/1030-1090 SAT

Base Tuition - $11,700

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OUT-OF-STATE TUITION INFORMATION

Extra financial aid (FAFSA, outside scholarships)
Amounts vary based on different factors

Athletic Scholarship + Abatement
$8,500
Abatement applies to out-of-state tuition only and applies before all other aid



1 **Remaining Tuition**
Maximum of $12,800
After all factors, tuition at Lander is generally cheaper than most in-state schools

3 **Academic Scholarship**
$500 - $4000

- President's Award - $4,000 - 3.5 GPA and 30-36 ACT/1360+ SAT
- Trustee's Award - $3,000 - 3.5 GPA and 26-29 ACT/1230-1350 SAT
- Provost's Award - $2,000 - 3.5 GPA and 22-25 ACT/1100-1220 SAT
- Dean's Award - $500 - 3.5 GPA and 20-21 ACT/1030-1090 SAT

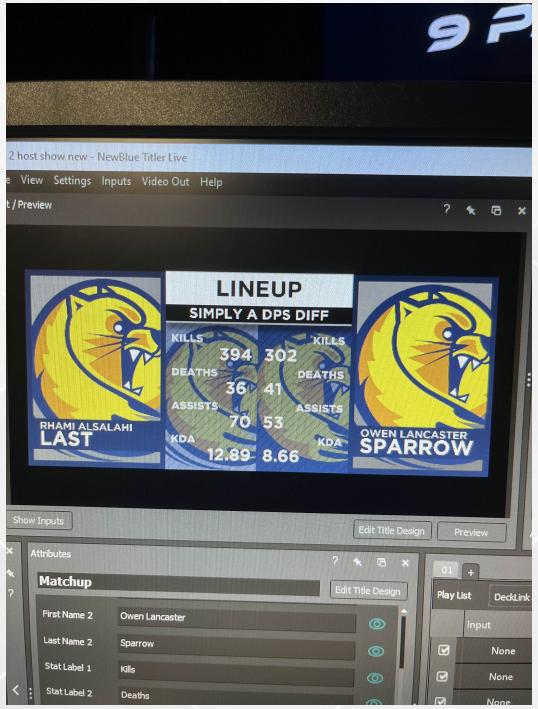
Base Tuition - $21,300

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LANDER ESPORTS STRUCTURE

- **Varsity program under athletics**
  - Scholarship opportunities
  - Paid travel to LAN events
  - Priority class registration
  - On-campus facility
- **Competitive titles**
  - Rocket League
  - Rivals
  - Valorant
  - League of Legends
- **Production**
  - Graphic Design
  - Social Media
  - Video Production
  - Stream Production (Broadcasters and shoutcasters)
  - Stats Crew
  - Discord Bot Coding
  - Sports Journalism





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LANDER UNIVERSITY ROCKET LEAGUE

- 2 current rosters, looking to build to 3 next year.
- Notable players
  - Repeat (RLCS Top 16)
  - Slimey (G2 and Feer 1v1 show matches)
- Tournaments
  - Peach Belt Conference
  - Carolina Collegiate Clash (C3 Esports)
  - Collegiate Rocket League (CRL)
  - NECC
  - Southeastern League (SEL)
- Championships
  - NECC (Spring 2025)





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LANDER VS. CLEMSON

Rocket League

10/14/2025





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Rocket League

10/14/2025





LANDER UNIVERSITY VALORANT

- 1 current roster, looking to build to 2 next year
- Coach is Katiekana, professional Game Changers coach and also Rank 1 on Metafy.GG
- Tournaments
    - Peach Belt Conference (CVAL)
    - Carolina Collegiate Conference
    - NECC
    - Southeastern League

- NECC South Conference Champs (Spring 2026)
- NECC Nationals - 3rd Place (2025-26)



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LANDER ESPORTS
LEAGUE OF LEGENDS

- Team has graduated, will be building this team from scratch
- I personally coach this team, and have 2 appearances in cLoL top 32 as a coach, 3rd place NACE Varsity Premier (Spring 2023), and won a NACL event in 2023 with Team Ambition
- Tournaments
  - Peach Belt Conference (Auto-bid into cLoL)
  - NECC



Championships

NECC (Fall 2024)

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LANDER UNIVERSITY
MARVEL RIVALS

- Lander's newest team
- Looking to build 2 teams for next year
- Tournaments
  - Peach Belt Conference
  - NECC
    - NECC Fall 2025 Champions
    - NECC Spring 2026 Champions



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The Bearcade

Lander's Esports Practice and Competitive Facility

- Dedicated 1 gig fiber internet reserved for Esports
- 19 PCs
  - 280 Hz monitors
  - 5060 Ti NVIDIA GEFORCE RTX GPUs
  - Intel Ultra processors
- Large TV for VOD reviews and watch parties







LANDER UNIVERSITY ESPORTS
RECOMMENDED RANKS

	PREMIER	VARSITY	GAME CHANGERS	ACADEMY	JV	NXT
			OPEN			OPEN
			OPEN			
			OPEN			
			OPEN			

REQUIREMENTS

- Students will take part in study tables. Participation is mandatory. No study tables, no practice. No practice, no competition.
- Must have a 2.0 GPA and pass 12 credits per semester to be eligible to compete
- Must attend classes, you're here to get an education, not solely here for esports
- Below is a mock schedule, a close representation of what it will look like

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Val	7-10 practice	7:30 Warmup	4-7 practice				2:00 Warmup
OW			7-10 practice		7 PM warmup		7-10 practice
League	4-7 practice	4:30-7 practice		7 PM Warmup			
RL	2 PM warmup			7-10 practice	7-10 practice	7 PM Warmup	

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OUR IDEALS AND BELIEFS

WHAT IS LANDER ESPORTS ALL ABOUT?

- **DEVELOPING PLAYERS, PROFESSIONALS, AND PEOPLE**
  - When we talk about development, it means improvement from your first day to your last day
    - Competition
      - You leave here feeling like you are a better player than you came in as
    - Production
      - You learned skills (technical or organizational) that you didn't know before
    - People
      - You learned how to interact/network, communicate, manage time, etc.

My highest priority is to ensure that you leave Lander ready to take on all of the adventures of adulthood.

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Regular Season Conference Championships

Outright Champions - 12

Fall 2023 - Rocket League - NECC Mideast Conference
Fall 2023 - Valorant - NECC South Conference
Fall 2023 - Overwatch - NECC Mideast Conference
Spring 2024 - Rocket League - NECC East Conference
Spring 2024 - Valorant - NECC Southeast Conference
Fall 2024 - Rocket League - Carolina Collegiate Conference
Spring 2025 - Valorant - Peach Belt Conference
Fall 2025 - Rocket League - Peach Belt Conference
Fall 2025 - Rocket League - NECC Mideast Conference
Spring 2026 - Rivals - NECC East Conference
Spring 2026 - Valorant - NECC South Conference
Spring 2026 - Rocket League - NECC East Conference

Co-Champions - 7

Spring 2024 - League of Legends - NECC East Conference
Fall 2024 - Valorant - NECC East Conference
Fall 2024 - Rocket League - Peach Belt Conference
Fall 2024 - Rocket League - NECC East Conference
Spring 2025 - Valorant - NECC East Conference
Fall 2025 - Rocket League - Carolina Collegiate Conference
Spring 2026 - Rocket League - Carolina Collegiate Conference

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Postseason Conference Tournament Finishes



Message me if interested

Set up a call to discuss your background and interest and goals

- Join the Lander recruiting server
- Follow our socials
- Do an application
- Participate in trials

HOW DO I JOIN?

GET YOUR PHONES OUT...

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STEP 1

Join the Discord

STEP 2

Fill out the Esports Info Form

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