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MR. MICHAEL MARTIN

Entering his 39th season as the Seminoles' head coach in 2018, Mike Martin continues to redefine success by any standard of measure. With 1,944 career victories, a .737 winning percentage that sits atop all active NCAA Division I coaches, 40 consecutive regional tournament appearances and 16 trips to the College World Series, Martin's place in college baseball history is secure.

Martin was inducted into the American Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame in 2007. Since then, he has eclipsed the 1,500-, 1,600-, 1,700-, 1,800- and 1,900-win milestones, returned to the College World Series four times in the last decade (including in 2017) and has shown no sign of slowing down, while continuing to

turn out All-Americans, Major League Draft choices and postseason participants.

Martin, who trails only former Texas coach Augie Garrido (1,975) in all-time victories, is the man whose uniform number – 11 – is universally substituted for his name among players, fans, colleagues, and even family members. There's a reason Martin is treated like family among the Florida State faithful; he has been associated with the Seminoles for 46 of the program's 71 seasons as a player, assistant coach and head coach.

In 2017, Martin won his 1,900th game and led FSU to the College World Series for a 17th time, while also winning the Atlantic Coast Conference for a seventh time. Nine players were taken in the Major League Baseball Draft in 2017, and as head coach, 197 of his players have heard their names called in the draft.

Since 1980, Martin has coached 91 All-Americans, including starting pitcher Tyler Holton in 2017, and coached seven players that have been named the National Player of the Year.

Off the field, Martin has been named a Distinguished Alumnus at both Wingate University, where he attended for two years in his home state of North Carolina, and Florida State. In August 2017, Martin delivered the commencement speech for the summer graduates of Florida State. The playroom at Tallahassee Memorial HealthCare's children center is named the Mike Martin Family Playroom.

A 1966 graduate of Florida State, Martin earned his master's degree in 1971. He and wife Carol have three children, Mary Beth, Melanie and Mike, Jr., who is entering his 21st season as an assistant coach to his father, and four grandchildren. Mary Beth and husband Tom Buchanan are the parents of Martin's first grandchild, Hannah Elizabeth (19), and Lexi, who joined the family in January in 2012. Mike, Jr. is the parent of Martin's second and third grandchildren: Tyler (16) and T.J. (14).