Athletics at Southeastern Louisiana University Notable Highlights 2011 - 2012

- » The Southeastern men's golf team earned its third consecutive trip-and sixth overall-to the NCAA Regionals. The Lions competed in the Stanford Regional at the historic Stanford Golf Course. Junion Philipp Westermann was named the Southland Conference Golfer-of-the-Year, becoming the fifth Lion, and third in the past four years, to claim top honors by the league.
- » The Southeastern baseball team, under coach Jay Artigues, posted a 39-21 record and reached the Southland conference championship game. Pitcher Stefan Lopez and infielder Brock Hebert were each named to multiple All-America teams while freshman pitcher Andro Cutura was named Louisville Slugger Freshman All-American and the Louisiana Freshman of the year.
- » The Southeastern Louisiana cheerleaders and Lionette dance teams combined for three top-six national finishes at the UCA/UDA College Cheerleading and Dance Team National Championships, which wrapped up at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex in Orlando, Fla. Making their first trip to the national finals, the Southeastern cheerleaders finished second to Hofstra in the Small Co-Ed Division I competition.
- » Former women's basketball standout Pam Cook Forrest became the third player in school history to have her jersey retired. Cook Forrest, a native of Mt. Hermon, was a member of the first women's basketball team at Southeastern in 1974-75 and was a member of the Lady Lions' AIAW National Championship team in 1976-77.

- » Former Southeastern baseball pitcher Wade Miley earned a starting spot for Major League Baseball's Arizona Diamondbacks and represented his team in the 83rd MLB All-Star Game in Kansas City, Mo. Miley, who played for Southeastern from 2006-08, finished among the National League leaders in wins (16) and ERA (3.33).
- Eleven of Southeastern Louisiana University's 15 Division I athletic programs met or exceeded requirements set forth by the NCAA as the annual Academic Progress Rate (APR) was released in June 2012. For the first time in the nine-year history of the APR, all 15 athletic programs exceeded a 900 and did not receive penalties. The Southeastern women's basketball team posted the highest multi-year score with a 975 - ranking it second in the Southland Conference behind Texas State's 977.
- Southeastern officially dedicated its new track and field facility on April 20 in the Southeastern Lion Invitational. Track Alums from as far back as the 1940s were on hand to help dedicate the new facility, which hosted 11 teams in the inaugural event.
- » Hired Ron Roberts, formerly of Delta State University, as the University's 15th head football coach. In five seasons as head coach at DSU, Roberts guided the Statesmen to a 47-16 record with four Gulf South Conference championships and a NCAA Division II national runner-up finish in 2010.

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