

Former Tiger Plucked by A's:

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Former **Jesuit pitcher Sam Dyson**, who has been playing collegiately at South Carolina, was selected by the Oakland Athletics in the 10th round, the 303rd selection.

Dyson, drafted out of **Jesuit** in the 19th round in 2006 by the Nationals, was 9-4 with a 5.21 ERA with the Gamecocks this past spring. The right-hander held opponents to a .237 batting average.

Some had projected **Dyson** as a late-first round selection, and he was ranked the 38th-best overall prospect by *Baseball America*.

Scouts love his 97 mph fastball, and he had 89 strikeouts and walked just 33 in 95 innings this season as a redshirt sophomore. He has added an 82 mph curve. **Dyson** overcame right labrum surgery that kept him out as a freshman at South Carolina to become the Gamecocks' ace.