



SOUTH CAROLINA

VOLLEYBALL

UPCOMING OPPONENTS

 <p>No. 12 Florida (9-2, 3-0 SEC) Fri., Sept. 28, 7 PM VCF</p> <p>Series History Florida leads 46-7</p> <p>Trend Florida won last 11</p> <p>Last Time UF won 3-0 (11/23/11)</p>	 <p>Ole Miss (7-5, 1-2 SEC) Sun., Sept. 30, 1:30 PM VCF</p> <p>Series History SC leads 24-13</p> <p>Trend SC won 4 of last 7</p> <p>Last Time UM won 3-0 (11/4/11)</p>	 <p>Texas A&M (10-2, 2-1 SEC) Fri., Oct. 5, 9:30 PM Reed Arena</p> <p>Series History A&M leads 2-0</p> <p>Trend A&M won last two</p> <p>Last Time A&M won 3-0 (12/3/1995)</p>	 <p>LSU (5-8, 1-3 SEC) Sun., Oct. 7, 2 PM Maravich Assembly Center</p> <p>Series History LSU leads 18-13</p> <p>Trend LSU won 7 of last 8</p> <p>Last Time SC won 3-2 (9/16/12)</p>
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2012 ROSTER

NO	NAME	POS	HT	YR	EXP	HOMETOWN (HIGH SCHOOL)
1	Paige Wheeler	DS	5-7	Jr.	2L	Virginia Beach, Va. (Cape Henry)
2	Lexie Pawlik	S	6-0	So.	1L	Granger, Ind. (Penn)
4	Darian Dozier	MB/OH	6-0	Fr.	HS	Sandy Spring, Md. (St. Johns College)
5	Maddie Frome	OH	5-10	Fr.	HS	Newport Beach, Calif. (Mater Dei)
6	Sarah Blomgren	Opp.	5-10	Fr.	HS	Canyon Country, Calif. (Saugus)
9	Christina Glover	OH	5-10	Sr.	3L	Mount Pleasant, S.C. (Wando)
10	Christina Vereb	MB/Opp.	6-0	RS Fr.	RS	Rock Hill, S.C. (Rock Hill)
11	Cara Howley	MB/Opp.	6-0	RS So.	1L	McKinney, Texas (McKinney Boyd)
12	Juliette Thévenin	OH	6-2	Jr.	2L	Mont-sur-Marchinne, Belgium
13	Jenna Allen	OH	5-10	Fr.	HS	Lewisville, Texas (Hebron)
15	Lindsey Craft	DS	5-7	Jr.	2L	Alpharetta, Ga. (Chattahoochie)
16	Bethanie Thomas	OH	6-1	So.	1L	Madison, Ala. (Bob Jones)
17	Elizabeth Johnbull	MB	5-10	Fr.	HS	Pflugerville, Texas (Connally)
19	Kira Speer	OH	6-1	Fr.	HS	Durham, N.C. (Riverside)
20	Taylor Bruns	S	6-0	Sr.	3L	Normal, Ill. (University)
21	Litsa Darby	S/DS	5-6	Fr.	HS	Mount Pleasant, S.C. (Ashley Hall)
22	Megan Kent	MB/OH	6-1	Jr.	2L	Ijamsville, Md. (Urbana)

Managers: Brandi Byers, Melissa Kearsse

2012 SCHEDULE (13-2, 2-2 SEC)

DATE	OPPONENT (TV)	RESULT/TIME
8/24	Temple%	W, 3-0
8/24	Akron%	W, 3-0
8/25	East Tennessee State	W, 3-2
8/25	UNC Asheville	W, 3-0
8/29	Slovenian Nat'l Team (exh.)	L, 0-3
9/1	vs. West Virginia #	W, 3-0
9/1	at George Mason#	W, 3-0
9/2	vs. Navy#	W, 3-0
9/2	vs. Niagara#	W, 3-1
9/7	Clemson&	W, 3-0
9/8	UAB&	W, 3-1
9/8	Winthrop&	W, 3-0
9/14	Georgia*	W, 3-0
9/16	LSU*	W, 3-2
9/21	at Auburn*	L, 1-3
9/23	at No. 21 Tennessee*	L, 1-3
9/28	No. 12 Florida*	7 PM
9/30	Mississippi*	1:30 PM
10/5	at Texas A&M* (SportSouth)	9:30 PM
10/7	at LSU*	2 PM
10/12	Alabama*	7 PM
10/16	at Coastal Carolina	6 PM
10/19	at Mississippi State*	8 PM
10/21	at Mississippi* (CSS)	2 PM
10/26	Auburn*	7 PM
10/28	Texas A&M*	1:30 PM
11/2	at Missouri*	7:30 PM
11/4	at Kentucky*	1:30 PM
11/9	Mississippi State*	7 PM
11/11	Tennessee*	1:30 PM
11/16	at Alabama*	8 PM
11/18	at Florida*	TBA
11/23	Arkansas*	1:30 PM

All times Eastern

Home matches in **bold**

% Gamecock Invitational

The Mason Inn Patriot Invitational (Fairfax, Va.)

& Carolina Clash

* SEC match

GAMECOCK STAFF

Head Coach.....	Scott Swanson
Alma Mater.....	Arizona State, 1995
Overall Record (Years).....	77-79 (5+)
SC Record (Years).....	27-18 (1+)
Assistant Coach.....	Moritz Moritz
Alma Mater.....	Colorado State, 2006
Year at SC.....	2nd
Assistant Coach.....	Julie Darty
Alma Mater.....	Mercer, 2008
Year at SC.....	1st
Volunteer Assistant.....	Drew Burdette
Director of Operations.....	Shane Wilkinson
Graduate Assistant.....	Morgan Thomas

QUICK FACTS

Location	Columbia, S.C.
Founded	1801
Enrollment	30,721
Colors	Garnet (PMS 202C) & Black
Nickname	Gamecocks
Affiliation	NCAA Division I
Conference	Southeastern (Eastern Division)
President	Dr. Harris Pastides
Athletic Director	Ray Tanner
Home Court	Volleyball Competition Facility
2011 Record	14-16
2011 Conference Record	5-15
2011 Conference Finish	5th East
'11 Starters Returning/Lost +Libero	4+1/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost	10/4
Newcomers	7

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MORITZ MORITZ	moh-RITZ moh-RITZ
Juliette THÉVENIN	TAY-vah-nah
Lexie PAWLIK	PAW-lick
Christina VEREB	VER-eb

ABBREVIATIONS

When needing to abbreviate South Carolina for your scoreboard or broadcast boxes, the preferred shortenings are S. Carolina or SC. Please refrain from using USC or SCAR when referring to the University of South Carolina. Proper logos and wordmarks can be emailed for use by any media outlet upon request. Thanks.

NOTEWORTHY

SOUTH CAROLINA TEAM NOTES

- South Carolina has posted a better hitting percentage, more kills and more digs than all but three foes in 2012.
- Four teams went undefeated in the opening weekend of SEC play: Florida, Missouri, Texas A&M and South Carolina.
- Out of the six hitters who have played in half the sets and averaged at least one kill per set, five hit over .240 and three are at .325 or better.
- Only two non-conference opponents hit over .200 against South Carolina: East Tennessee State (.207) and UAB (.285). All four SEC foes have topped that mark.
- South Carolina has been out-blocked five times thus far in 2012 (3-2), while the 2011 team was topped on 13 occasions (1-12 in those matches).
- At No. 21 Tennessee (9/23), the Gamecocks did not allow an ace, successfully passing all 87 serves they received.
- The last time South Carolina did not allow an ace came in Scott Swanson's first game as head coach, against Montana on Aug. 26, 2011.

ALL ABOUT THE WINNING STREAK

- The 13-0 start for the Gamecocks is the best in the program's NCAA-era history. The 1983 team began the season 12-0.
- The 13-match winning streak was the second-longest documented skein in program history.
- The longest winning streak came in 1983, as the team posted a 14-match streak from Oct. 15-Nov. 18.
- The loss that ended the longest skein came in the 1983 Metro Conference Tournament final. Florida State won the five-set match to earn the automatic berth to the third NCAA Tournament. The field only had 28 teams at the time.
- That 1983 team also had the best start previously in program history with 12 wins. That was the second-longest documented winning streak for the Gamecocks until this year.
- For the second-consecutive year, South Carolina was the last undefeated team in the Southeastern Conference.

HOME MATCHES NOTES

- South Carolina is playing 17 matches plus one exhibition in the Volleyball Competition Facility this fall, the most since moving into the building in 1996.
- It's one more than the inaugural season of the VCF, when SC hosted the 1996 SEC Tournament.
- The most home matches ever for South Carolina came in 1990, when the team hosted 21 contests.
- South Carolina is on the second-longest winning streak since moving into the VCF in 1996, winning 12 straight matches dating back to the Alabama match on Nov. 6, 2011.
- The other two double-digit VCF winning streaks were snapped by Florida, a 17-match span from Oct. 14, 2001 to Oct. 24, 2002 and a 10-match stretch from Sept. 13, 2000, to Nov. 10, 2000.
- The match against Clemson on Sept. 7 had 1,512 fans in attendance, the third-largest crowd in the history of the Volleyball Competition Facility.
- It was the largest crowd since 2001 in the building, when 1,793 people packed the stands for the Sept. 21 match against Florida.
- The 1,512 fans were nearly 250 over the capacity of the gym in the setup the team utilized starting during SEC play last fall.
- Five of the largest crowds in the history of the VCF, including the top two, have come in matches against Florida.
- Eight of the 27 crowds over 900 to come to the VCF have been for Florida matches.

ATTACKING THE RECORD BOOK

- Taylor Bruns is seventh in assists (2,361) and eighth in assists per set (7.24).
- Juliette Thévenin stands 15th in SC history with 891 kills and 14th with 2,346 attacks.
- With one more kill, Thévenin will tie Belita Salters for 14th. A total of 67 more attacks move Thévenin past Stephanie Pflughaupt for 13th on that list.
- Thévenin ranks 19th on the career points chart (as it would stand had everyone played in the rally-scoring era), 8.5 points from becoming the 19th with 1,000 career points.
- She's fourth on the points-per-set charts with a 4.22 average.
- Thévenin's now second in kills per set (3.79) and 10th in digs per set (2.81) on the career charts.
- Paige Wheeler is third on SC's career charts in digs per set (3.57).
- With 18 more digs, Wheeler will move past Ivana Kujundzic into 20th on the career dig charts.
- These updated charts can be found on page 9 of the notes.

AVCA POLL

NO	TEAM (1ST PLACE)	Pts	W-L	Prev
1	Penn State (34)	1447	12-1	4
2	Oregon (16)	1370	11-0	8
3	USC (3)	1363	13-1	2
4	UCLA (3)	1314	9-2	1
5	Washington (3)	1288	11-0	5
6	Nebraska	1248	9-2	3
7	Stanford (1)	1177	10-2	6
8	Hawai'i	1049	10-2	7
9	Texas	1023	9-3	9
10	Minnesota	943	11-2	12
11	BYU	850	14-0	16
12	Florida	791	9-2	13
13	Purdue	689	11-2	17
14	Florida State	681	10-2	15
15	Kansas State	656	13-1	11
16	San Diego	617	10-2	18
17	Louisville	595	12-2	10
18	Pepperdine	554	10-4	14
19	Iowa State	391	7-4	19
20	Dayton	305	10-4	22
21	Illinois	272	7-5	20
22	Ohio State	223	10-4	23
23	Western Kentucky	188	16-3	24
24	Michigan State	112	13-1	25
25	Tennessee	94	9-4	21

RV: Oklahoma 54; Oregon State 43; Kansas 23; Michigan 22; Miami (Fla.) 16; North Carolina 15; Texas A&M 15; Creighton 14; Arkansas 9; California 7; Notre Dame 7; Marquette 6.

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THE SEC

EASTERN DIVISION CONF			ALL	
Team	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.
Florida	3-0	1.000	9-2	.818
Missouri	3-1	.750	11-3	.786
South Carolina	2-2	.500	13-2	.867
Georgia	2-2	.500	8-5	.615
Kentucky	2-2	.500	8-6	.571
Tennessee	2-3	.400	9-5	.643

WESTERN DIVISION				
Team	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.
Auburn	3-1	.750	12-2	.857
Texas A&M	2-1	.667	10-2	.833
Arkansas	2-1	.667	11-3	.786
Mississippi	1-2	.333	7-5	.583
Alabama	1-3	.250	12-4	.750
LSU	1-3	.250	5-8	.385
Mississippi State	0-3	.000	4-8	.333

THIS WEEKEND'S MATCHES

Fri., Sept. 28

Florida at South Carolina	7 p.m.
Texas A&M at Missouri	7:30 p.m.
Mississippi at Alabama	8 p.m.
Auburn at Arkansas	8 p.m.
LSU at Mississippi State	8 p.m.

Sun., Sept. 30

Mississippi at South Carolina	1:30 p.m.
Auburn at Kentucky	1:30 p.m.
Florida at Mississippi State	1:30 p.m.
LSU at Arkansas	2 p.m.
Georgia at Missouri	2:30 p.m.
Texas A&M at Alabama	2:30 p.m.

All times Eastern

NOTEWORTHY

COMPETITION LEVEL RISING

- The three opponents in the 2012 Carolina Clash held better final 2011 RPIs than all but one of SC's first eight foes.
- Clemson finished at 54, UAB 84 and Winthrop 149 in the last RPI of 2011 (Niagara was 146).
- Georgia finished 2011 with an RPI of 123; LSU at 66.
- Auburn closed last year at 120. Tennessee stood at 14 (South Carolina ended 2011 at 113).
- Florida stood 16th, while the Rebels ranked 104th in the final RPI of 2012.

RECORD-CHARTING SINGLE-MATCH PERFORMANCES

- Sophomore Bethanie Thomas's three solo blocks vs. ETSU (8/25) tied for second on the five-set match listing.

GAMECOCKS IN THE SEC STAT SUPERLATIVES

- South Carolina hit the second-highest hitting percentage in four-set match (.370 vs. Niagara) and tied for first in a five-setter (.297 vs. ETSU) for an SEC team this fall.

HISTORICAL RECORDS

- South Carolina is 719-538 (.572) all-time in volleyball.
- In the Volleyball Competition Facility, the team stands at 146-70 (.676).

SOUTH CAROLINA OVERVIEW

- South Carolina returns four starters and its starting libero from the 2011 team.
- That 2011 team, the first coached by Scott Swanson, doubled the win total from the previous year.
- The leading attacker by kills, junior outside hitter Juliette Thévenin, is back.
- The top defender by digs, junior libero Paige Wheeler, returns.
- Setters Taylor Bruns and Lexie Pawlik make up the vast majority of the 97 percent of assists back.
- The Gamecocks lost almost 50 percent of the team blocks from last season.
- The next highest total of "lost" stats are kills, where 32.2 percent departed.
- Last season, the Gamecocks led the SEC in digs per set. Only 12.2 percent of those departed.

ROSTER NOTES

- Eight freshman, including seven true rookies, are a part of the 17-person roster.
- Three players hail from each South Carolina and Texas, the most on the team.
- A pair of student-athletes both hail from California and Maryland.
- Six other states and another country are represented by the seven remaining athletes.
- For the 17th-consecutive season, the Gamecocks have had at least one international player.
- A total of 16 players have appeared on the court so far. Only freshman Kira Speer has not seen any action and is on track for a redshirt year.

PRESEASON TOURNAMENT ACCOLADES

- Cara Howley earned Gamecock Invitational MVP honors.
- Joining Howley on the all-tournament team were Christina Vereb and Paige Wheeler.
- Juliette Thévenin took Patriot Invitational Most Outstanding Player and Best Hitter honors.
- Taylor Bruns was named Best Setter, and Wheeler claimed Best Defender accolades.
- Bruns claimed the MVP award for the Carolina Clash, and joining her on the all-tournament team was Howley and Thévenin.

(RECENT) HOME TOURNAMENT HISTORY

- South Carolina has hosted a home tournament every year since 2000 except for 2001 and 2005.
- The Gamecocks have won six of the last seven home non-conference events, including perfect marks in both tournaments this fall.
- This is the first year since 2003 that the Gamecocks have hosted two pre-conference tournaments.

NOTEWORTHY

LOOKING TO CHANGE FORTUNE VS. RANKED TEAMS

Since 1991, the Gamecocks hold a 8-93 record against ranked opponents. Half of those wins over ranked teams have come against SEC foes, two over a Florida team (1994 and 2006). Also, never has a win over a ranked team come on the road in SEC play. Only once have the Gamecocks won a match against a ranked team at its gym (Notre Dame, 9/14/2003).

MATCH-BY-MATCH INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	HIGH KILLS	HIGH ASSISTS	HIGH ACES	HIGH DIGS	HIGH BLOCKS
8/24	Temple	W	3-0	Thévenin (12)	Bruns (17)	Bruns (3)	Wheeler (12)	Allen, Dozier, Howley (4)
8/24	Akron	W	3-0	Thévenin (10)	Bruns (19)	Thomas (2)	Wheeler (17)	Howley, Thomas (2)
8/25	East Tennessee State	W	3-2	Thévenin (15)	Bruns (34)	Bruns, Thomas, Thévenin (1)	Wheeler (20)	Howley, Kent, Thomas, Vereb (4)
8/25	UNC Asheville	W	3-0	Thévenin (14)	Bruns (22)	Wheeler (3)	Bruns (10)	Dozier, Howley, Vereb (3)
8/29	Slovenian Nat'l Team (exh.)	L	0-3	Vereb (7)	Bruns, Pawlik (15)	Craft (3)	Craft (9)	Dozier (3)
9/1	vs. West Virginia	W	3-0	Thévenin (17)	Pawlik (18)	Howley (3)	Wheeler (16)	Dozier (4)
9/1	at George Mason	W	3-0	Thévenin (15)	Bruns (32)	Allen, Howley (1)	Wheeler (15)	Dozier (3)
9/2	vs. Navy	W	3-0	Frome (7)	Pawlik (17)	Wheeler (2)	Wheeler (14)	Dozier, Howley, Vereb (2)
9/2	vs. Niagara	W	3-1	Thévenin (14)	Bruns (39)	Bruns (2)	Wheeler (14)	Thévenin (3)
9/7	Clemson	W	3-0	Thévenin (15)	Bruns (30)	Allen, Thévenin, Thomas, Wheeler (1)	Thomas (12)	Dozier (6)
9/8	UAB	W	3-1	Thévenin (20)	Bruns (54)	Bruns, Howley (1)	Wheeler (21)	Dozier, Howley, Vereb (3)
9/8	Winthrop	W	3-0	Thévenin, Vereb (11)	Bruns (22)	Howley (2)	Thomas (16)	Dozier, Howley, Thomas (2)
9/14	Georgia	W	3-0	Thévenin (18)	Bruns (35)	Bruns, Howley, Thévenin (2)	Wheeler (13)	Bruns, Howley (3)
9/16	LSU	W	3-0	Thévenin (22)	Bruns (49)	Thévenin, Thomas, Wheeler (1)	Wheeler (18)	Dozier, Howley (5)
9/21	at Auburn	L	1-3	Thévenin (22)	Bruns (40)	Bruns (2)	Wheeler (20)	Bruns (2)
9/23	at No. 21 Tennessee	L	1-3	Thévenin (14)	Bruns (32)	Thévenin (3)	Wheeler (15)	Bruns, Dozier, Howley (3)
9/28	No. 12 Florida							
9/30	Mississippi							
10/5	at Texas A&M							
10/7	at LSU							
10/12	Alabama							
10/16	at Coastal Carolina							
10/19	at Mississippi State							
10/21	at Mississippi							
10/26	Auburn							
10/28	Texas A&M							
11/2	at Missouri							
11/4	at Kentucky							
11/9	Mississippi State							
11/11	Tennessee							
11/16	at Alabama							
11/18	at Florida							
11/23	Arkansas							

TEAM STATS

ATTACK	SC	UF	UM
Kills	753	554	591
Errors	231	158	236
Total Attacks	1818	1244	1624
Attack Pct.	.287	.318	.219
Kills/Set	14.2	14.6	13.1
SET			
Assists	705	499	557
Assists/Set	13.3	13.1	12.4
SERVE			
Aces	58	62	55
Errors	85	90	78
Aces/Set	1.1	1.6	1.2
SERVE RECEPTIONS			
Errors	50	25	45
Errors/Set	0.9	0.7	1.0
DEFENSE			
Digs	809	505	704
Digs/Set	15.3	13.3	15.6
BLOCKING			
Block Solo	23	22	28
Block Assist	164	114	133
Total Blocks	105.0	79.0	94.5
Blocks/Set	2.0	2.1	2.1
Block Errors	22	26	31
BALL H. ERRORS	11	6	11

STAT LEADERS

SOUTH CAROLINA (13-2, 2-2 SEC)

Name	K/S	HP	A/S	D/S	B/S
Juliette Thévenin	4.31	.304	0.31	2.73	0.29
Cara Howley	2.47	.332	0.14	0.75	0.76
Bethanie Thomas	2.26	.276	0.36	2.40	0.40
Christina Vereb	1.56	.243	0.10	0.44	0.58
Darian Dozier	1.27	.271	0.09	0.31	0.89
Taylor Bruns	1.10	.360	8.94	2.20	0.25
Jenna Allen	1.08	.193	0.21	0.95	0.34
Christina Glover	0.09	.222	0.00	1.64	0.00
Paige Wheeler	0.02	.500	0.98	4.21	0.00

NO. 12 FLORIDA (9-2, 3-0 SEC)

Name	K/S	HP	A/S	D/S	B/S
Ziva Recek	3.95	.347	0.13	1.79	0.37
Chloe Mann	3.85	.377	0.00	0.24	0.94
Tangerine Wiggs	2.67	.465	0.00	0.27	0.58
Betsy Smith	1.97	.318	0.00	0.52	0.71
Gabby Mallette	1.31	.157	0.00	0.15	0.35
Taylor Brauncis	0.46	.082	11.43	1.51	0.51
Holly Pole	0.00	-.500	0.06	1.81	0.00
Madison Monserez	0.00	.000	0.16	1.61	0.00
Taylor Unroe	0.00	.000	0.89	4.47	0.00

OLE MISS (7-5, 1-2 SEC)

Name	K/S	HP	A/S	D/S	B/S
Kara Morgan	3.27	.259	0.53	2.09	0.24
Allegra Wells	2.78	.243	0.07	0.71	0.69
Amanda Philpot	1.91	.292	9.53	2.56	0.60
Ty Laporte	1.81	.256	0.03	0.32	0.77
Kellie Goss	1.66	.283	0.11	0.16	0.79
Ashley Anderson	1.33	.066	0.00	0.25	0.25
Kiley Sherman	1.16	.114	0.00	0.42	0.16
Whitney Craven	1.02	.096	0.34	2.00	0.17
Rachael McLamore	0.02	.000	0.43	2.14	0.00
Ashley Veach	0.00	.000	1.29	5.11	0.00
Evan St. Laurent	0.00	.000	0.08	0.53	0.00
Morgan Weinheim	0.00	.000	0.10	0.45	0.00

A LOOK AT THE WEEKEND'S OPPONENTS

SCOUTING NO. 12 FLORIDA

Florida, ranked 12th in the latest AVCA coaches poll, is the last unbeaten team in Southeastern Conference play. The league's top program over the past two decades, the Gators lead the league in hitting percentage and service aces, with sizeable leads in both (.318-.288 in hitting, 1.63-1.40 in aces). Florida, normally a physical team at the net, stands ninth with 2.08 blocks per set.

Freshman Ziva Recek and junior Chloe Mann front the Gator attack, with the duo both averaging over 3.75 kills per set and hitting over .340. Recek, from Slovenia, helps with 1.79 digs per set, while Mann leads the team with 0.94 blocks a frame. Tangerine Wiggs tops the Gators with a .465 hitting percentage, and Betsy Smith contributes 1.97 kills and 0.71 blocks a set. Taylor Brauncis, a transfer from Louisville, guides the attack, averaging 11.43 assists per set. Taylor Unroe leads the Florida passing corps, posting 4.47 digs a frame, and she has 11 aces in 38 sets, tied for the most on the team. Simone Antwi is even with Unroe in aces despite playing in 16 less sets.

SERIES HISTORY VS. THE GATORS

Florida holds a 45-7 advantage in the series over South Carolina, including a 21-4 mark in Columbia. The last four Gamecock wins in the series came at home, in 1988, 1990, 1994 and 2006. In the Volleyball Competition Facility, the Gamecocks are 1-15 against the Gators.

THE LAST TIME VS. FLORIDA - NOV. 18, 2011

A strong start to the third set for South Carolina could not hold off No. 17 Florida, as the Gators won the match 25-14, 25-16, 25-20 on Thanksgiving Eve in the Stephen C. O'Connell Center.

Libero Paige Wheeler led the Gamecocks with 12 digs, while outside hitter Juliette Thévenin tallied eight kills. Middle blocker Teresa Stenlund posted four kills, a career-best two aces and two block assists in her final appearance in the Garnet and Black.

Kristy Jaekel led Florida with 11 kills. Kelly Murphy added nine kills and 16 assists. Taylor Unroe posted 14 digs for Florida.

SCOUTING OLE MISS

Entering the weekend with a 7-5 record, Ole Miss stands fourth in the SEC with 15.64 digs per set, just above the Gamecocks in the SEC stat rankings. Offensively, the Rebels rank in the bottom four in hitting percentage, kills and assists in the SEC. They are seventh in the league in aces and eighth in blocks.

Setter Amanda Philpot adds a dynamic element to Ole Miss's attack, posting 9.53 assists per set, hitting a team-best .292 and ranking third with 1.91 kills per frame. She's also second in digs (2.56 per set) and fourth among qualifiers in blocks (0.60). Kara Morgan averages 3.27 kills per set and 2.09 digs per frame, best and fourth on the team, while Allegra Wells posts 2.78 kills a stanza. Ashley Veach averages 5.11 digs a frame and 1.29 assists a set. Morgan ranks as the toughest server, with 0.33 per set. Rachael McLamore, third on the team with 2.14 digs per set, stands second in aces with 0.31 a frame. Kellie Goss and Ty Laporte top the Rebels in blocks (0.79 and 0.77 per set, respectively).

SERIES HISTORY VS. THE REBELS

South Carolina owns a 24-13 advantage in the series against Mississippi, including a win in Oxford last season. In matches played at the VCF, the Gamecocks are 11-3 against the Rebels. Last year, the teams split, winning on the other's home floor.

THE LAST TIME VS. OLE MISS - NOV. 4, 2011

South Carolina tried to mount a comeback bid in the third set, but Ole Miss held strong to take a sweep at the Volleyball Competition Facility 25-18, 25-14, 25-21.

A balanced Rebel attack saw no players in double figures in kills, but all six starters had at least five. Allegra Wells posted nine kills with a .533 hitting percentage. Regina Thomas led the Rebels with 12 points, posting seven kills and eight blocks, two of those solo. Whitney Craven had nine kills and 14 digs, while Morgan Springer had 12 digs.

South Carolina's libero Paige Wheeler tallied 15 digs to lead all players. Outside hitter Juliette Thévenin had 11 kills and an ace, while setter Taylor Bruns just missed a double-double with 24 assists and nine digs.

RECORD BREAKDOWN

Overall	13-2
Conference	2-2
Vs. Ranked Teams.....	0-1
Home.....	9-0
Away	1-2
Neutral.....	3-0
August.....	4-0
September	9-2
October	0-0
November.....	0-0
December.....	0-0
Sundays.....	3-1
Monday.....	0-0
Tuesday.....	0-0
Wednesday.....	0-0
Thursday.....	0-0
Friday.....	4-1
Saturday.....	6-0
Winning set one.....	11-1
Losing set one	2-1
Winning set two.....	12-0
Losing set two.....	1-2
Winning set three.....	11-1
Losing set three	2-1
Winning set four.....	3-0
Losing set four	1-2
Three-set matches	9-0
Four-set matches	2-2
Five-set matches	2-0
More kills than opposition.....	12-0
Less kills than opposition.....	1-2
Kills equal	0-0
More hitting errors than opposition.....	3-2
Less hitting errors than opposition.....	9-0
Hitting errors equal.....	1-0
More attacks than opposition	5-2
Less attacks than opposition.....	6-0
Attacks equal.....	2-0
Out-hitting opposition	12-0
Out-hit by opposition	1-2
Hitting equal.....	0-0
More assists than opposition	11-2
Less assists than opposition	1-0
Assists equal	1-0
More aces than opposition.....	7-1
Less aces than opposition	4-1
Aces equal	2-0
More service errors than opposition.....	3-0
Less service errors than opposition.....	8-1
Service errors equal.....	2-1
More digs than opposition.....	11-0
Less digs than opposition	1-2
Digs equal	1-0
More total blocks than opposition	6-0
Less total blocks than opposition.....	3-2
Total blocks equal.....	4-0
More ball handling errors than opposition	3-0
Less ball handling errors than opposition	6-1
Ball handling errors equal	4-1

NOTEWORTHY

SEEING DOUBLE

These double-doubles have been recorded by the Gamecocks in 2012 (in chronological order):

Player (No.)	Opponent	Date	Combination
Juliette Thévenin (7)	East Tennessee State	8/25	15 kills, 11 digs
	West Virginia	9/1	17 kills, 14 digs
	Niagara	9/2	14 kills, 12 digs
	UAB	9/8	20 kills, 13 digs
	Winthrop	9/8	11 kills, 12 digs
	LSU	9/16	22 kills, 11 digs
	Auburn	9/21	22 kills, 18 digs
Taylor Bruns (5)	Temple	8/24	17 assists, 10 digs
	UNC Asheville	8/25	22 assists, 10 digs
	George Mason	9/1	32 assists, 13 digs
	Clemson	9/7	30 assists, 10 kills
	No. 21 Tennessee	9/23	32 assists, 10 digs
Bethanie Thomas (1)	East Tennessee State	8/25	10 kills, 14 digs

DOUBLE-FIGURE KILLS

The following Gamecocks have reached double figures in kills in a match this season:

Player (No.)	Kills	Opponent	Date
Juliette Thévenin (12)	12	Temple	8/24
	10	Akron	8/24
	15	East Tennessee State	8/25
	14	UNC Asheville	8/25
	17	West Virginia	9/1
	15	George Mason	9/1
	14	Niagara	9/2
	15	Clemson	9/7
	20	UAB	9/8
	11	Winthrop	9/8
	18	Georgia	9/14
	22	LSU	9/16
	22	Auburn	9/21
	14	No. 21 Tennessee	9/23
Cara Howley (6)	12	East Tennessee State	8/25
	11	Niagara	9/2
	17	UAB	9/8
	10	Winthrop	9/8
	11	Georgia	9/14
Bethanie Thomas (3)	11	LSU	9/16
	10	East Tennessee State	8/25
	10	UNC Asheville	8/25
Christina Vereb (2)	12	George Mason	9/1
	11	East Tennessee State	8/25
	11	Winthrop	9/8
Taylor Bruns (1)	10	Clemson	9/7
Darian Dozier (1)	10	UAB	9/8
Megan Kent (1)	13	East Tennessee State	8/25

SC IN SEC/NCAA STATS

NCAA Team Rankings

Category	Figure	Rank
Hitting Percentage	.287	16th
Assists/Set	13.30	27th
Kills/Set	14.21	30th
Blocks/Set	1.98	169th
Service Aces/Set	1.09	240th
Digs/Set	15.26	113th

SEC Team Rankings (Overall)

Category	Figure	Rank
Hitting Percentage	.287	3rd
Opp. Hitting Percentage	.198	10th
Assists/Set	13.30	3rd
Kills/Set	14.21	3rd
Blocks/Set	1.98	10th
Service Aces/Set	1.09	10th
Digs/Set	15.26	5th

SEC Team Rankings (SEC Only)

Category	Figure	Rank
Hitting Percentage	.211	10th
Opp. Hitting Percentage	.277	13th
Assists/Set	12.19	9th
Kills/Set	13.06	9th
Blocks/Set	1.75	T-11th
Service Aces/Set	1.06	7th
Digs/Set	14.19	9th

NCAA Individual Rankings

Name	Figure	Rank
Hitting Percentage		
Cara Howley	.332	123rd
Juliette Thévenin	.304	221st
Kills/Set		
Juliette Thévenin	4.31	26th
Assists/Set		
Taylor Bruns	8.94	162nd
Digs/Set		
Paige Wheeler	4.21	151st
Points/Set		
Juliette Thévenin	4.73	34th

SEC Individual Rankings (Overall)

Name	Figure	Rank
Hitting Percentage		
Cara Howley	.332	10th
Juliette Thévenin	.304	15th
Kills/Set		
Juliette Thévenin	4.31	2nd
Assists/Set		
Taylor Bruns	8.94	11th
Aces/Set		
Cara Howley	0.25	17th
Juliette Thévenin	0.24	T-19th
Blocks/Set		
Darian Dozier	0.87	13th
Digs/Set		
Paige Wheeler	4.21	6th
Points/Set		
Juliette Thévenin	4.73	3rd

SEC Individual Rankings (SEC Only)

Name	Figure	Rank
Hitting Percentage		
Bethanie Thomas	.278	19th
Kills/Set		
Juliette Thévenin	4.75	1st
Assists/Set		
Taylor Bruns	9.75	8th
Aces/Set		
Juliette Thévenin	0.44	T-1st
Taylor Bruns	0.25	T-19th
Digs/Set		
Paige Wheeler	4.12	11th
Points/Set		
Juliette Thévenin	5.31	1st

NOTEWORTHY

DOUBLE-DIGIT DIGS

The following Gamecocks have reached double-figure digs in a match in 2012:

Player (No.)	Digs	Opponent	Date
Paige Wheeler (12)	12	Temple	8/24
	17	Akron	8/24
	20	East Tennessee State	8/25
	16	West Virginia	9/1
	15	George Mason	9/1
	14	Navy	9/2
	14	Niagara	9/2
	21	UAB	9/8
	13	Georgia	9/14
	18	LSU	9/16
	20	Auburn	9/21
	15	No. 21 Tennessee	9/23
Juliette Thévenin (7)	11	East Tennessee State	8/25
	<i>14</i>	<i>West Virginia</i>	<i>9/1</i>
	12	Niagara	9/2
	13	UAB	9/8
	12	Winthrop	9/8
Bethanie Thomas (6)	11	LSU	9/16
	18	Auburn	9/21
	12	East Tennessee State	8/25
	14	UNC Asheville	8/25
	12	Clemson	9/7
	<i>16</i>	<i>Winthrop</i>	<i>9/8</i>
Taylor Bruns (4)	14	LSU	9/16
	10	No. 21 Tennessee	9/23
	10	Temple	8/24
	10	UNC Asheville	8/25
	13	<i>George Mason</i>	<i>9/1</i>
Christina Glover (2)	10	No. 21 Tennessee	9/23
	<i>10</i>	<i>UAB</i>	<i>9/8</i>
	<i>10</i>	<i>Georgia</i>	<i>9/14</i>
Jenna Allen (1)	<i>12</i>	<i>Niagara</i>	<i>9/2</i>

Italics mean individual season best

Bold means team's season best

SOUTH CAROLINA MATCH-BY-MATCH STARTERS

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	OUTSIDE/DS	MIDDLE	OUTSIDE	OUTSIDE	MIDDLE	SETTER	LIBERO
8/24	Temple	W	Christina Vereb	Cara Howley	Juliette Thévenin	Bethanie Thomas	Megan Kent	Taylor Bruns	Paige Wheeler
8/24	Akron	W	Christina Vereb	Cara Howley	Juliette Thévenin	Bethanie Thomas	Megan Kent	Taylor Bruns	Paige Wheeler
8/25	East Tennessee State	W	Christina Vereb	Cara Howley	Juliette Thévenin	Bethanie Thomas	Megan Kent	Taylor Bruns	Paige Wheeler
8/25	UNC Asheville	W	Christina Vereb	Cara Howley	Juliette Thévenin	Bethanie Thomas	Megan Kent	Taylor Bruns	Paige Wheeler
8/29	Slovenian Nat'l Team	L	Jenna Allen	Cara Howley	Juliette Thévenin	Bethanie Thomas	Megan Kent	Lexie Pawlik	Paige Wheeler
9/1	vs. West Virginia	W	Christina Vereb	Cara Howley	Juliette Thévenin	Bethanie Thomas	Megan Kent	Taylor Bruns	Paige Wheeler
9/1	at George Mason	W	Christina Vereb	Cara Howley	Juliette Thévenin	Bethanie Thomas	Darian Dozier	Taylor Bruns	Paige Wheeler
9/2	vs. Navy	W	Christina Vereb	Cara Howley	Juliette Thévenin	Bethanie Thomas	Darian Dozier	Taylor Bruns	Paige Wheeler
9/2	vs. Niagara	W	Christina Vereb	Cara Howley	Juliette Thévenin	Bethanie Thomas	Megan Kent	Taylor Bruns	Paige Wheeler
9/7	Clemson	W	Christina Vereb	Cara Howley	Juliette Thévenin	Bethanie Thomas	Darian Dozier	Taylor Bruns	Paige Wheeler
9/8	UAB	W	Christina Vereb	Cara Howley	Juliette Thévenin	Bethanie Thomas	Darian Dozier	Taylor Bruns	Paige Wheeler
9/8	Winthrop	W	Christina Glover	Cara Howley	Juliette Thévenin	Bethanie Thomas	Darian Dozier	Taylor Bruns	Paige Wheeler
9/14	Georgia	W	Christina Glover	Cara Howley	Juliette Thévenin	Bethanie Thomas	Darian Dozier	Taylor Bruns	Paige Wheeler
9/16	LSU	W	Christina Vereb	Cara Howley	Juliette Thévenin	Bethanie Thomas	Darian Dozier	Taylor Bruns	Paige Wheeler
9/21	at Auburn	L	Christina Vereb	Cara Howley	Juliette Thévenin	Bethanie Thomas	Darian Dozier	Taylor Bruns	Paige Wheeler
9/23	at No. 21 Tennessee	L	Lexie Pawlik	Cara Howley	Juliette Thévenin	Bethanie Thomas	Darian Dozier	Taylor Bruns	Paige Wheeler
9/28	No. 12 Florida								
9/30	Mississippi								
10/5	at Texas A&M								
10/7	at LSU								
10/12	Alabama								
10/16	at Coastal Carolina								
10/19	at Mississippi State								
10/21	at Mississippi								
10/26	Auburn								
10/28	Texas A&M								
11/2	at Missouri								
11/4	at Kentucky								
11/9	Mississippi State								
11/11	Tennessee								
11/16	at Alabama								
11/18	at Florida								
11/23	Arkansas								

SOUTH CAROLINA SET-BY-SET LIBEROS

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SET #1	SET #2	SET #3	SET #4	SET #5
8/24	Temple	W	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	-----	-----
8/24	Akron	W	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	-----	-----
8/25	East Tennessee State	W	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler
8/25	UNC Asheville	W	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	-----	-----
8/29	Slovenian Nat'l Team	L	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Lindsey Craft	-----	-----
9/1	vs. West Virginia	W	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	-----	-----
9/1	at George Mason	W	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	-----	-----
9/2	vs. Navy	W	Paige Wheeler	Lindsey Craft	Paige Wheeler	-----	-----
9/2	vs. Niagara	W	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	-----
9/7	Clemson	W	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	-----	-----
9/8	UAB	W	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	-----
9/8	Winthrop	W	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	-----	-----
9/14	Georgia	W	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	-----	-----
9/16	LSU	W	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler
9/21	at Auburn	L	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	-----
9/23	at No. 21 Tennessee	L	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	Paige Wheeler	-----
9/28	No. 12 Florida						
9/30	Mississippi						
10/5	at Texas A&M						
10/7	at LSU						
10/12	Alabama						
10/16	at Coastal Carolina						
10/19	at Mississippi State						
10/21	at Mississippi						
10/26	Auburn						
10/28	Texas A&M						
11/2	at Missouri						
11/4	at Kentucky						
11/9	Mississippi State						
11/11	Tennessee						
11/16	Alabama						
11/18	Florida						
11/23	Arkansas						

UPDATED CAREER RECORDS

KILLS

Rank	Name (Years)	Kills
1.	Lori Rowe (1983-86)	1,855
2.	Shonda Cole (2003-06)	1,775
3.	Cally Plummer (1998-2002)	1,345
4.	Heather Larkin (1994-97)	1,293
5.	Amy Iannocari (1991-94)	1,231
6.	Kim DeNeve (1986-89)	1,179
7.	Ivana Kujundzic (2006-09)	1,133
8.	Berna Dwyer (1999-2002)	1,107
9.	Lora Myers (1987-90)	1,100
10.	Stephanie Pflughaupt (1986-89)	1,093
11.	Caryn Case (1988-91)	1,080
12.	Megan Laughlin (2007-10)	1,021
13.	Diane Denton (1985-88)	974
14.	Belita Salters (2005-08)	892
15.	Juliette Thévenin (2010-)	891

KILLS PER SET

(Minimum 500 Kills)

Rank	Name (Years)	(K-SP) K/S
1.	Shonda Cole (2003-06)	(1,775-417) 4.26
2.	Juliette Thévenin (2010-)	(891-235) 3.79
3.	Lori Rowe (1983-86)	(1,855-507) 3.66
4.	Kori Ermigarat (1994-95)	(842-233) 3.61
5.	Cally Plummer (1998-2002)	(1,345-394) 3.41
6.	Heather Larkin (1994-97)	(1,293-395) 3.27
7.	Crystal Moore (1997-99)	(754-240) 3.14
8.	Kim DeNeve (1986-89)	(1,179-381) 3.09
9.	Berna Dwyer (1999-2002)	(1,107-366) 3.02
10.	Ivana Kujundzic (2006-09)	(1,133-389) 2.91

ATTACKS

Rank	Name (Years)	Kills
1.	Shonda Cole (2003-06)	4,181
2.	Lori Rowe (1983-86)	3,874
3.	Amy Iannocari (1991-94)	3,487
4.	Cally Plummer (1998-2002)	3,288
5.	Ivana Kujundzic (2006-09)	3,047
6.	Heather Larkin (1994-97)	2,958
7.	Caryn Case (1988-91)	2,936
8.	Lora Myers (1987-90)	2,825
9.	Kim DeNeve (1986-89)	2,819
10.	Diane Denton (1985-88)	2,559
11.	Megan Laughlin (2007-10)	2,556
12.	Berna Dwyer (1999-2002)	2,533
13.	Stephanie Pflughaupt (1986-89)	2,413
14.	Juliette Thévenin (2010-)	2,346

ASSISTS

Rank	Name (Years)	Assists
1.	Ashley Edlund (1995-98)	5,177
2.	Megan Hosp (1999-02)	4,689
3.	Tammy Correll (1987-90)	4,563
4.	Julie Morrison (1984-87)	3,602
5.	Jodi Thompson (1991-94)	3,237
6.	Shellie Higgins (1983-84)	2,544
7.	Taylor Bruns (2009-)	2,361
8.	Kelly Morrow (1993-96)	2,136
9.	Bridget Denson-Dorman (2008-09)	2,044
10.	Iris Santos (2003-06)	2,040

ASSISTS PER SET

(Minimum 500 Assists)

Rank	Name (Years)	(A-SP) A/S
1.	Megan Hosp (1999-02)	(4,689-387) 12.12
2.	Ashley Edlund (1995-98)	(5,177-430) 12.04
3.	Tammy Correll (1987-90)	(4,563-447) 10.21
4.	Shellie Higgins (1983-84)	(2,544-254) 10.02
5.	Katelyn Panzau (2003-04)	(1,857-194) 9.57
6.	Bridget Denson-Dorman (2008-09)	(2,044-215) 9.51
7.	Julie Morrison (1984-87)	(3,602-385) 9.36
8.	Taylor Bruns (2009-)	(2,361-326) 7.24
9.	Jodi Thompson (1991-94)	(3,237-495) 6.54
10.	Kelly Morrow (1993-96)	(2,136-354) 6.03

DIGS PER SET

(Minimum 500 Digs)

Rank	Name (Years)	(D-SP) D/S
1.	Fernanda Laires (1996-97)	(839-208) 4.03
2.	Kori Ermigarat (1994-95)	(920-233) 3.95
3.	Paige Wheeler (2010-)	(806-226) 3.57
4.	Sarah Cline (2006-09)	(1,464-422) 3.47
5.	Hannah Lawing (2007-10)	(1,334-398) 3.35
6.	Crystal Moore (1997-99)	(765-240) 3.19
7.	Diane Denton (1985-88)	(1,462-477) 3.06
8.	Katie Gerst (1992-94)	(986-334) 2.95
9.	Shani Abshier (1994-97)	(1,049-357) 2.94
10.	Juliette Thévenin (2010-)	(661-235) 2.81

POINTS

(According to rally-scoring era rules for all players)

Rank	Name (Years)	Points
1.	Lori Rowe (1983-86)	2,457.0
2.	Shonda Cole (2003-06)	2,029.0
3.	Cally Plummer (1998-2002)	1,479.5
4.	Stephanie Pflughaupt (1986-89)	1,679.5
5.	Heather Larkin (1994-97)	1,636.0
6.	Kim DeNeve (1986-89)	1,401.5
7.	Berna Dwyer (1999-2002)	1,399.0
8.	Amy Iannocari (1991-94)	1,386.5
9.	Ivana Kujundzic (2006-09)	1,345.0
10.	Lora Myers (1987-90)	1,313.5
11.	Caryn Case (1988-91)	1,278.5
12.	Megan Laughlin (2007-10)	1,253.5
13.	Amy Collinsworth (1990-93)	1,155.0
14.	Jennifer Guess (1990-93)	1,130.0
15.	Diane Denton (1985-88)	1,123.0
16.	Belita Salters (2005-08)	1,120.5
17.	Colleen McKenzie (1985-88)	1,071.0
18.	Sam Alban (1999-2002)	1,033.5
19.	Juliette Thévenin (2010-)	991.5

POINTS PER SET

(Minimum 500 Points)

Rank	Name (Years)	(P-SP) P/S
1.	Shonda Cole (2003-06)	(2029-417) 4.87
2.	Lori Rowe (1983-86)	(2457-507) 4.85
3.	Cally Plummer (1998-2002)	(1,749.5-394) 4.44
4.	Juliette Thévenin (2010-)	(991.5-235) 4.22
5.	Heather Larkin (1994-97)	(1,363-395) 4.14
6.	Kori Ermigarat (1994-95)	(946.5-233) 4.06
7.	Berna Dwyer (1999-2002)	(1,399-366) 3.82
8.	Crystal Moore (1997-99)	(892.5-240) 3.72
9.	Stephanie Pflughaupt (1986-89)	(1,679.5-455) 3.69
10.	Kim DeNeve (1986-89)	(1,401.5-381) 3.68



SCOTT SWANSON

Head Coach • Second Year at South Carolina

- Coached seven teams that played in the NCAA Tournament (Arizona State 1999, 2000, Minnesota 2006-10)
- Part of staff for seven All-Americans
- Recruited three top-10 classes to Minnesota

The 11th head coach in Gamecock Volleyball history, Scott Swanson looks to build upon a season where he helped South Carolina double its win total in his first year.

The Gamecocks went 14-16 in Swanson's first year and improved its offensive efficiency and its backline defense under his guidance. The team led the SEC with a 16.78 digs average, the best mark in four years for the Gamecocks, and hit .226, a 45-point improvement from the 2011 season. Three times, South Carolina student-athletes garnered an SEC weekly award, with Juliette Thévenin picking up the first offensive listing and Paige Wheeler twice gaining the defensive certificate.

Swanson's teams also proved themselves in the classroom, earning the program's second Team Academic Award from the American Volleyball Coaches Association in 2011-12. Thirteen Gamecocks were listed on the SEC Academic Honor Rolls for the year as well, and the team claimed the department's Life Skills Team of the Year award, honoring the group for its academic achievements, personal development and work in the community.

Prior to his current head coaching job, Swanson spent five years on the sidelines for the Golden Gophers, helping the team to five-consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances and a 125-46 record. Three times, Minnesota finished second in the Big Ten behind perennial power Penn State. The 2009 team advanced to the national semifinals in the NCAA Tournament.

During his tenure in Minneapolis, Swanson helped the Golden Gophers become an elite blocking team. In five years, Minnesota never ranked lower than 35th in NCAA Division I in blocks. The 2007 team set a program record with 3.54 blocks per set. Five Golden Gophers earned All-America accolades during those five years, including 2009 first-team middle blocker and 2012 US National Team pool member Lauren Gibbemeyer.

Swanson also led the Gophers' recruiting efforts, posting three top-10 recruiting classes according to *PrepVolleyball.com*. The 2009 group earned top honors from the outlet.

The summer of 2009, Swanson spent time with USA Volleyball's A-2 Junior National Team, and he coached the USA Red team to a second-place showing in the 2008 USA Adult Open Championships.

Swanson brings in four years of head coaching experience to Columbia after his tenure at the University of Texas-El Paso. With a 50-61 career record, Swanson had the team on the brink of the NCAA Tournament in 2005, when the Miners went 21-10. Three players earned all-conference honors under Swanson's tutelage, including honorable mention All-American Kari Stacy. He also inked a high school All-American and saw his team improve in the classroom to a department-best 3.2 GPA in 2005.

Prior to UTEP, Swanson spent six years at his alma mater, Arizona State. He helped the team to two NCAA Tournament appearances during his time in Tempe and coached one second-team All-American and two Pac-10 All-Freshman Team players. Two of his Sun Devil players garnered Academic All-America certificates as well.

Swanson started his coaching career at Mountain View (Ariz.) High School, working as an assistant with the varsity team and leading his junior varsity group to a 17-1 record. As a head coach with the Arizona East Valley Juniors club, he led a 16-1s team to a national runner-up finish and earned Cactus Region Coach of the Year honors. He also served as head coach at Camelback High School before landing the job with Arizona State, where he also played club volleyball.

A graduate of ASU, Swanson is married to the former Erin Meier. The couple has one daughter, Rylee Sue.

HEAD COACHING RECORD

Year	School	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT	Finish
2002	UTEP	11	14	.440	6	7	.462	2nd WAC East
2003	UTEP	8	22	.267	2	11	.154	5th WAC East
2004	UTEP	10	15	.400	2	11	.154	4th WAC East
2005	UTEP	21	10	.677	10	6	.625	4th CUSA
2011	South Carolina	14	16	.467	5	15	.250	5th SEC East
2012	South Carolina	13	2	.867	2	2	.500	???
TOTAL	6 Years	77	79	.494	27	52	.342	

ASSISTANT COACHING RECORD

Year	School	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT	Finish
1996	Arizona State	9	15	.375	4	14	.222	8th Pac-10
1997	Arizona State	13	16	.448	4	14	.222	8th Pac-10
1998	Arizona State	11	14	.440	8	10	.444	T-5th Pac-10
1999	Arizona State	14	13	.519	10	8	.556	5th Pac-10
2000	Arizona State	18	12	.600	9	9	.500	T-5th Pac-10
2001	Arizona State	10	16	.385	5	13	.278	7th Pac-10
2006	Minnesota	26	8	.765	17	3	.850	T-2nd Big Ten
2007	Minnesota	18	13	.581	11	9	.550	T-3rd Big Ten
2008	Minnesota	27	7	.794	16	4	.800	2nd Big Ten
2009	Minnesota	28	9	.757	15	5	.750	3rd Big Ten
2010	Minnesota	26	8	.765	14	6	.700	2nd Big Ten
TOTAL	11 Years	200	131	.604	113	95	.543	

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Coaching

2011-present	Head coach, South Carolina
2006-2010	Assistant coach, associate head coach, Minnesota
2009	Assistant coach, USA Volleyball A-2 Women's Team
2002-2005	Head coach, UTEP
1996-2001	Assistant coach, associate head coach, Arizona State
1994-1995	Head coach, Camelback High School
1993-2000	Head coach, Arizona East Valley Juniors
1991-1992	Assistant coach, Mountain View High School

Education

1995	B.A., Family studies and human development, Arizona State
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1 - PAIGE WHEELER

5-7 • Jr. • DS • Virginia Beach, Va. (Cape Henry)

- Two-time SEC Academic Honor Roll member (2010-11)
- Two-time SEC Defensive Player of the Week (11/7/2011 & 11/21/2011)

2012 (JUNIOR)

- Served as libero in all but two sets
- Leads the Gamecocks with a 4.21 digs average, good for sixth in the SEC
- Tallied 20 digs at Auburn (9/21)
- Had no serve reception errors on 25 attempts in the two Saturday matches of the Carolina Clash (9/8)
- Posted 21 digs and a career-best seven assists in the UAB win (9/8)
- Landed three service aces, a new career best, in the sweep of UNC Asheville (8/25)

2011 (SOPHOMORE)

- Served as libero in all but three sets
- Led the team and ranked third in the SEC with 4.57 digs per set, posting the fifth-most digs in a single season in South Carolina history (475), third-most in the rally-scoring era.
- Ranked second among passers with .945 serve-reception percentage
- *Twice earned SEC Defensive Player of the Week honors (11/7 & 11/21)*
- Posted 28 digs, tying her Elon (9/3) mark, in the four-set win over Georgia (11/20), knotted for third-best in a four-setter at South Carolina
- Averaged 5.83 digs per set and went 39-of-40 in serve receive vs. Mississippi and Alabama (11/4-6)
- Tallied a career-best 31 digs in the five-set win at College of Charleston (9/10)

2010 (FRESHMAN)

- Served as libero in 18 sets
- Ranked third among passers with .942 serve-reception percentage
- Posted three kills and nine digs in collegiate debut against Middle Tennessee (8/27)
- Had season-best 16 digs and made just one reception error in 35 tries in the home win over Mississippi State (11/13)
- Perfect in serve reception in five contests: No. 6 Illinois, College of Charleston, No. 16 LSU, at Mississippi State and at Arkansas

HIGH SCHOOL

- League and Division II State Player of the Year as a junior
- Two-time first-team All-Tidewater Conference player, also making the second team once
- Led Cape Henry Collegiate School to two Virginia Independent Schools Athletic Association titles as a junior and senior
- Won 2007 USA Volleyball Junior Beach tour event for 16-and-unders

MAJOR

- Exercise science

Season Highs

Kills

1, Clemson (9/7)

Attempts

1, 2x, last UAB (9/8)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)

N/A

Assists

7, UAB (9/8)

Service Aces

3, UNC Asheville (8/25)

Digs

21, UAB (9/8)

Blocks Solo

N/A

Block Assists

N/A

Total Blocks

N/A

Career Highs

Kills

3, Middle Tennessee (8/27/10)

Attempts

6, 2x, last Mississippi State (10/8/10)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)

N/A

Assists

7, UAB (9/8/12)

Service Aces

3, UNC Asheville (8/25/12)

Digs

31, C. of Charleston (9/10/11)

Blocks Solo

N/A

Block Assists

N/A

Total Blocks

N/A

CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	SP	MP	KILL	K/S	ERR	ATT	PCT	AST	A/S	SA	SA/S	SE	DIG	D/S	RE	BS	BA	TB	B/S	BE	BHE	P	P/S
2010	70	26	9	0.13	10	39	-.026	9	0.13	1	0.01	13	112	1.60	17	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	10.0	0.14
2011	104	30	1	0.01	0	8	.125	65	0.62	14	0.13	24	475	4.57	33	0	0	0	0.00	0	2	15.0	0.14
2012	52	15	1	0.02	0	2	.500	51	0.98	8	0.15	15	219	4.21	13	0	0	0	0.00	0	1	9.0	0.17
TOTAL	226	71	11	0.05	10	49	.020	125	0.55	23	0.10	52	806	3.57	63	0	0	0	0.00	0	3	34.0	0.15



2 - LEXIE PAWLIK

6-0 • So. • S • Granger, Ind. (Penn)

• 2011-12 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

2012 (SOPHOMORE)

- Played in 11 matches
- Made a career-best 22 assists in the East Tennessee State win (8/25)

2011 (FRESHMAN)

- Saw time in 16 matches
- Tallied two kills and made 16 assists and four digs at Arkansas (11/11)
- Made ESPN SportsCenter Top 10 Plays after getting a dig and a kill in one action vs. Mississippi (11/4)
- Compiled 14 assists and a career-best four digs vs. LSU (10/7)
- Posted three kills and two digs vs. UNC Asheville (9/3)
- Had six assists, a kill, a solo block and an assist vs. Elon (9/3)
- Played two sets against Stony Brook (8/27), posting two kills and 17 assists

HIGH SCHOOL

- Two-time first-team Indiana Coaches of Girls Sports Association 4A player
- Twice named Northern Indiana Conference Player of the Year
- *PrepVolleyball.com* top 250 in Senior Aces
- Second-team Under Armour/AVCA High School All-American in 2009-10
- Led team, and her coach Lisa Pawlik, her mother, to state championship as a senior
- Team improved its final finish every year with Pawlik

MAJOR

- Elementary education

Season Highs

Kills

1, Navy (9/2)

Attempts

2, Navy (9/2)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)

N/A

Assists

22, ETSU (8/25)

Service Aces

1, 3x, last Winthrop (9/8)

Digs

7, 3x, last West Virginia (9/1)

Blocks Solo

N/A

Block Assists

1, 2x, last Winthrop (9/8)

Total Blocks

1, 2x, last Winthrop (9/8)

Career Highs

Kills

3, UNC Asheville (9/3/11)

Attempts

4, UNC Asheville (9/3/11)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)

N/A

Assists

22, ETSU (8/25/12)

Service Aces

1, 6x, last Winthrop (9/8/12)

Digs

7, 3x, last West Virginia (9/1/12)

Blocks Solo

1, Elon (9/3/11)

Block Assists

1, 2x, last Winthrop (9/8/12)

Total Blocks

1, 3x, last Winthrop (9/8/12)

CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	SP	MP	KILL	K/S	ERR	ATT	PCT	AST	A/S	SA	SA/S	SE	DIG	D/S	RE	BS	BA	TB	B/S	BE	BHE	P	P/S
2011	27	16	9	0.33	4	15	.333	113	4.19	3	0.11	7	25	0.93	0	1	0	1	0.04	1	1	13.0	0.48
2012	25	11	1	0.04	2	4	-.250	135	5.40	3	0.12	4	39	1.56	0	0	2	2	0.08	0	3	5.0	0.20
TOTAL	52	27	10	0.19	6	19	.211	248	4.77	6	0.12	11	64	1.23	0	1	2	3	0.06	1	4	18.0	0.35



4 - DARIAN DOZIER

6-0 • Fr. • MB/OH • Sandy Spring, Md. (St. Johns College)

2012 (FRESHMAN)

- Started nine times and played in 14 matches
- Made nine kills and five block assists in the win over LSU (9/16)
- Posted 10 kills in the triumph over UAB (9/8)
- Compiled a season-best six blocks, including two solo stuffs, in the Clemson victory (9/7)
- Hit .538 with eight kills in the Niagara win (9/2)

HIGH SCHOOL

- 2011 Under Armour/AVCA High School All-America Second Team honoree
- 2011 D.C. Gatorade Player of the Year
- First-team All-Met honors by the *Washington Post* after averaging 4.94 kills per set as senior
- Led her team to a pair of runner-up finishes in the Washington Catholic Athletic Conference

MAJOR

- Don't know

Season Highs

Kills

10, UAB (9/8)

Attempts

20, UAB (9/8)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)

.538, Niagara (9/2)

Assists

2, LSU (9/16)

Service Aces

N/A

Digs

3, 2x, last at No. 21
Tennessee (9/23)

Blocks Solo

2, Clemson (9/8)

Block Assists

5, LSU (9/16)

Total Blocks

6, Clemson (9/8)

CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	SP	MP	KILL	K/S	ERR	ATT	PCT	AST	A/S	SA	SA/S	SE	DIG	D/S	RE	BS	BA	TB	B/S	BE	BHE	P	P/S
2012	45	14	57	1.27	19	140	.271	4	0.09	0	0.00	0	14	0.31	0	4	36	40	0.89	7	0	79.0	1.76



5 - MADDIE FROME

5-10 • Fr. • OH • Newport Beach, Calif. (Mater Dei)

2012 (FRESHMAN)

- Appeared in eight matches
- Topped the Gamecocks with seven kills and added a solo block in the sweep of Navy (9/2)

HIGH SCHOOL

- First-team All-Trinity League honors as a senior
- Team MVP and also claimed the offensive player award and the school's Monarch Award

MAJOR

- Don't know

Season Highs

Kills

7, Navy (9/2)

Attempts

15, Navy (9/2)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)

.200, Navy (9/2)

Assists

1, West Virginia (9/1)

Service Aces

N/A

Digs

5, Navy (9/2)

Blocks Solo

1, Navy (9/2)

Block Assists

1, Temple (8/24)

Total Blocks

1, 2x, last Navy (9/2)

CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	SP	MP	KILL	K/S	ERR	ATT	PCT	AST	A/S	SA	SA/S	SE	DIG	D/S	RE	BS	BA	TB	B/S	BE	BHE	P	P/S
2012	9	8	12	1.33	6	27	.222	1	0.11	0	0.00	1	7	0.78	4	1	1	2	0.22	0	0	13.5	1.44



6 - SARAH BLOMGREN

5-10 • Fr. • Opp. • Canyon Country, Calif. (Saugus)

2012 (FRESHMAN)

- Posted five kills at Auburn (9/21)
- Debuted against LSU (9/16), posting three kills and three block assists in four sets of action

HIGH SCHOOL

- 2011 first-team All-Foothills League and All-Santa Clarita Valley by *The Signal*
- Helped the Centurions to the 2011 Foothills League title
- Averaged 3.5 kills per set and posted 57 aces as a senior
- Nominated for Saugus's SAMMY award for success on and off the playing field

MAJOR

- Don't know

Season Highs

Kills

5, Auburn (9/21)

Attempts

18, Auburn (9/21)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)

.111, Auburn (9/21)

Assists

N/A

Service Aces

N/A

Digs

1, LSU (9/16)

Blocks Solo

N/A

Block Assists

3, LSU (9/16)

Total Blocks

3, LSU (9/16)

CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	SP	MP	KILL	K/S	ERR	ATT	PCT	AST	A/S	SA	SA/S	SE	DIG	D/S	RE	BS	BA	TB	B/S	BE	BHE	P	P/S
2012	11	3	10	0.91	9	34	.029	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	1	0.09	0	0	4	4	0.36	1	0	12.0	1.09



9 - CHRISTINA GLOVER

5-10 • Sr. • OH • Mount Pleasant, S.C. (Wando)

- Three-time SEC Academic Honor Roll (2009-11)
- 2010 SEC Volleyball Community Service Team

2012 (SENIOR)

- Played in nine matches, drawing two starts
- Had 10 digs in the UAB win (9/8) and also in the Georgia victory (9/14)

2011 (JUNIOR)

- Played in 17 matches, starting four times
- Posted a season-best eight kills and 11 digs in the triumph over Georgia (11/20)
- Had six digs in a defensive specialist's role both at Ole Miss (10/16) and vs. Mississippi State (10/21), both SC wins
- Drew the start against Stony Brook (8/27), posting seven digs and five kills

2010 (SOPHOMORE)

- Ranked third on the team with 2.00 digs per set
- Recorded personal-best 16 digs and 15 kills vs. BYU (8/28)
- Tallied 10 kills and a career-best four blocks against Georgia (10/15)

2009 (FRESHMAN)

- Saw time in 20 matches, starting twice
- South Carolina went 2-0 during her two starts
- Posted 10 kills vs. Alabama (9/25)

HIGH SCHOOL

- Two-time South Carolina Player of the Year according to the Coaches Association for Women's Sports
- Also named 2008 Player of the Year for the state by Gatorade, the *High School Sports Report* and the *Charleston Post & Courier*
- Two-time *PrepVolleyball.com* All-American
- 2007 *HSSR* 4A Volleyball Player of the Year
- Named Lowcountry's Athlete of the Year for 2008-09 by the *Post & Courier*
- Played for mother and former Gamecock letter winner Alexis (Homer) Glover at Wando High School

MAJOR

- Middle level education

Season Highs

Kills
2, Navy (9/2)

Attempts
6, Navy (9/2)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)
N/A

Assists
N/A

Service Aces
1, Winthrop (9/8)

Digs
10, 2x, last LSU (9/16)

Blocks Solo
N/A

Block Assists
N/A

Total Blocks
N/A

Career Highs

Kills
15, BYU (8/28/10)

Attempts
44, BYU (8/28/10)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)
.381, Alabama (9/25/09)

Assists
2, 2x, last Kentucky (9/25/11)

Service Aces
2, Arkansas (10/1/10)

Digs
16, BYU (8/28/10)

Blocks Solo
1, 2x, last Mississippi (10/31/10)

Block Assists
3, Georgia (10/15/10)

Total Blocks
4, Georgia (10/15/10)

CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	SP	MP	KILL	K/S	ERR	ATT	PCT	AST	A/S	SA	SA/S	SE	DIG	D/S	RE	BS	BA	TB	B/S	BE	BHE	P	P/S
2009	41	20	37	0.90	18	119	.160	5	0.12	0	0.00	4	27	0.66	8	0	3	3	0.07	3	1	38.5	0.93
2010	72	26	103	1.43	70	384	.086	8	0.11	4	0.06	15	144	2.00	33	2	10	12	0.17	4	1	114.0	1.58
2011	33	18	28	0.85	20	102	.078	7	0.21	0	0.00	4	70	2.12	8	0	2	2	0.06	0	0	29.0	0.88
2012	22	9	2	0.09	0	9	.222	0	0.00	1	0.05	3	36	1.64	0	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	3.0	0.14
TOTAL	168	73	170	1.01	108	614	.101	20	0.12	5	0.03	26	277	1.65	49	2	15	17	0.10	7	2	184.5	1.10



10 - CHRISTINA VEREB

6-1 • R-Fr. • Opp./MB • Rock Hill, S.C. (Rock Hill)

• 2011-12 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

2012 (REDSHIRT FRESHMAN)

- Started 12 matches and played in all 15
- Posted 11 kills twice, including when she posted a .500 hitting percentage in the Winthrop win (9/8)
- Twice has made four block assists in a match: East Tennessee State (8/25) and Clemson (9/7)

2011 (FRESHMAN)

- Took a redshirt in her first year on campus

HIGH SCHOOL

- Honorable mention on Under Armour/AVCA Girls High School All-America teams
- Two-time South Carolina Coaches Association of Women's Sports 4A all-state team member
- Led Rock Hill to runner-up honors in the state as a senior
- *High School Sports Report's* Player of the Year in 2010
- Earned All-Piedmont team honors from the *Charlotte Observer* and all-area accolades from the *Rock Hill Herald* twice
- Also lettered three times in track and once in basketball
- Four-year member of the honor roll

MAJOR

- Sport and entertainment management

Season Highs

Kills

11, 2x, last Winthrop
(9/8)

Attempts

23, George Mason
(9/1)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)

.500, Winthrop (9/8)

Assists

3, Niagara (9/2)

Service Aces

N/A

Digs

5, George Mason
(9/1)

Blocks Solo

N/A

Block Assists

4, 2x, last Clemson
(9/7)

Total Blocks

4, 2x, last Clemson
(9/7)

CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	SP	MP	KILL	K/S	ERR	ATT	PCT	AST	A/S	SA	SA/S	SE	DIG	D/S	RE	BS	BA	TB	B/S	BE	BHE	P	P/S
2011	Did Not Played - Redshirt																						
2012	52	15	81	1.56	32	202	.243	5	0.10	0	0.00	0	23	0.44	1	0	30	30	0.58	2	1	96.0	1.85



11 - CARA HOWLEY

6-0 • RS So. • MB/OH • McKinney, Texas (McKinney Boyd)

• Two-time SEC Academic Honor Roll member (2010-11)

2012 (REDSHIRT SOPHOMORE)

- Started all 15 matches at middle blocker
- Leads South Carolina in aces per set (0.25) and hitting percentage (.332)
- Ranks second on the team in kills per set (2.47) and blocks per set (0.76)
- Landed 11 kills and season highs in digs (8) and blocks (5) in the LSU victory (9/16)
- Hit .500 with 11 kills in the Georgia win (9/14)
- Posted a career-best 17 kills in the win over UAB (9/8)
- The last of her three four-block matches came in the sweep of Clemson (9/7)
- Hit .526 (11-1-19) against Niagara (9/2)
- Tied her career best with three aces in the West Virginia win (9/1)

2011 (REDSHIRT FRESHMAN)

- Played in 29 matches, starting 16
- Made a season-best 14 kills, a career-high 16.5 points and tied her season high with six digs in the four-set win over Georgia (11/20)
- Tied season bests in digs (6) and block assists (4) in the victory over Auburn (11/18)
- Compiled a career-best three aces as part of her 15.5 points (11 kills, 3 block assists) at LSU (11/13)
- Made 12 kills on a .524 hitting percentage and had then-career bests in aces (2) and block assists (4) in the win at Ole Miss (10/16)
- Tallied 10 kills on a .400 hitting percentage in two sets she played against Kentucky (9/25)

2010 (FRESHMAN)

- Played in 10 matches, starting seven, before a knee injury ended her year, taking a medical redshirt
- Ranked third on the team in kills and hitting percentage when her season was cut short
- Twice posted 15 kills in the Carolina Challenge vs. College of Charleston and Winthrop (9/4)
- Had 10 digs vs. the Cougars while posting five blocks against the Eagles

HIGH SCHOOL

- Claimed the District 8-5A MVP award as a senior
- Named the district's best blocker as a junior
- Also owned McKinney Boyd's high jump record
- Helped her Skyline Roshambo group finish ninth in the open division at the 2009 Junior Olympics

MAJOR

- International business

Season Highs

Kills
17, UAB (9/8)

Attempts
29, LSU (9/16)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)
.526, Niagara (9/2)

Assists
2, No. 21 Tennessee (9/23)

Service Aces
3, West Virginia (9/1)

Digs
8, LSU (9/16)

Blocks Solo
1, Temple (8/24)

Block Assists
5, LSU (9/16)

Total Blocks
5, LSU (9/16)

Career Highs

Kills
17, UAB (9/8/12)

Attempts
36, LSU (10/7/11)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)
.667, S.C. State (9/10/10)

Assists
2, 2x, last Alabama (10/14/11)

Service Aces
3, 2x, last West Virginia (9/1/12)

Digs
10, C. of Charleston (9/4/10)

Blocks Solo
1, 3x, last Temple (8/24/12)

Block Assists
5, LSU (9/16/12)

Total Blocks
5, 2x, last LSU (9/16/12)

CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	SP	MP	KILL	K/S	ERR	ATT	PCT	AST	A/S	SA	SA/S	SE	DIG	D/S	RE	BS	BA	TB	B/S	BE	BHE	P	P/S
2010	33	10	78	2.36	34	187	.235	4	0.12	4	0.12	2	27	0.82	1	2	19	21	0.64	1	1	93.5	2.82
2011	79	29	167	2.11	71	433	.222	6	0.08	15	0.19	28	54	0.68	1	0	31	31	0.39	4	1	197.5	2.49
2012	51	15	126	2.47	39	262	.332	7	0.14	13	0.25	23	38	0.75	0	1	38	39	0.76	4	0	159.0	3.12
TOTAL	163	54	371	2.28	144	882	.257	17	0.10	32	0.20	53	119	0.73	2	3	88	91	0.56	9	2	450.0	2.76



12 - JULIETTE THÉVENIN

6-2 • Jr. • OH • Mont-sur-Marchienne, Belgium (Notre-Dame de Loverval)

- 2010 SEC All-Freshman Team
- Two-time SEC Academic Honor Roll member (2010-11)
- Three SEC Weekly Awards (*Offensive 9/17/12, Offensive 8/29/11, Freshman 10/25/10*)

2012 (JUNIOR)

- Posted seven double-doubles and double-figure kills in 14 matches
- Leads the Gamecocks in kills per set (4.31), the second-best mark in the SEC
- Held a share or led the team in kills in 14 of the 15 matches on the NCAA schedule
- Hit .370 with 22 kills and 18 digs in the Auburn outing (9/21)
- *Named SEC Offensive Player of the Week (9/17)*
- Compiled a season-best 22 kills to go with 11 digs in the LSU win (9/16) while also receiving 33 serves without an error
- Posted 18 kills on a .333 hitting percentage against Georgia (9/14), including 13 without an error in the last two sets
- Had 20 kills and 13 digs in the UAB win (9/8)
- Tied a career high with a .500 hitting percentage on 15 kills in the sweep of Clemson (9/7)
- Posted one ace in each of the four matches of the 2012 Gamecock Invitational (8/24-25)

2011 (SOPHOMORE)

- Had 19 kills on a .306 hitting percentage and 15 digs in the victory over Auburn (11/18)
- Matched a season best with three aces and added 12 kills at Mississippi State (9/18)
- Named to the College of Charleston Invitational All-Tournament Team
- Made a season-best 20 digs in the win over Winthrop (9/10)
- Posted a career-best 23 kills in the victory over College of Charleston (9/10)
- *Earned SEC Offensive Player of the Week honors (8/29)*
- Named Temple Invitational MVP and most valuable attacker after posting double-doubles in all three matches, averaging 4.80 kills and 4.90 digs per set
- Tied a then-career high with 21 kills in the season-opening win over Montana (8/26)
- Compiled 19 digs and 10 kills in the victory at Temple (8/27)

2010 (FRESHMAN)

- Became the third freshman and 11th Gamecock all-time to lead team in kills and aces in the same season
- The fifth Gamecock to lead the team in kills as a freshman
- Finished fourth in the SEC in kills and service aces, leading the team in both categories
- Also topped the team with a .948 serve reception percentage
- Her 350 kills ranked fifth on the single-season rally-scoring era charts
- Season average of 3.65 kills per set stood second best on the freshman charts
- Tallied seven double-doubles on the year, most on the team
- Earned Gamecock Invitational All-Tournament Team accolades

CLUB

- Played under coach Sacha Koulberg with Dauphines Charleroi
- Member of Belgium's junior national team that won bronze at the 2009 FIVB Girls Youth Volleyball Championship

MAJOR

- Russian

Season Highs

Kills

22, 2x, last Auburn (9/21)

Attempts

58, LSU (9/16)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)

.500, Clemson (9/7)

Assists

2, 5x, last No. 21 Tennessee (9/23)

Service Aces

3, No. 21 Tennessee (9/23)

Digs

18, Auburn (9/21)

Blocks Solo

2, Niagara (9/2)

Block Assists

3, West Virginia (9/1)

Total Blocks

3, 2x, last Niagara (9/2)

Career Highs

Kills

23, C. of Charleston (9/10/11)

Attempts

58, 2x, last LSU (9/16/12)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)

.500, 2x, last Clemson (9/7/12)

Assists

5, Alabama (11/6/11)

Service Aces

4, The Citadel (9/26/10)

Digs

23, Mississippi State (11/13/10)

Blocks Solo

2, 2x, last Niagara (9/2/12)

Block Assists

4, 2x, last Mississippi State (11/13/10)

Total Blocks

5, Mississippi State (10/8/10)

CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	SP	MP	KILL	K/S	ERR	ATT	PCT	AST	A/S	SA	SA/S	SE	DIG	D/S	RE	BS	BA	TB	B/S	BE	BHE	P	P/S
2010	96	27	350	3.65	141	934	.224	28	0.29	29	0.30	45	226	2.35	23	5	24	29	0.30	6	2	396.0	4.12
2011	88	25	321	3.65	121	896	.223	27	0.31	17	0.19	34	296	3.36	26	4	25	29	0.33	2	1	354.5	4.02
2012	51	15	220	4.31	63	516	.304	16	0.31	12	0.24	18	139	2.73	8	3	12	15	0.29	3	2	241.0	4.73
TOTAL	235	67	891	3.79	325	2346	.241	71	0.30	58	0.25	97	661	2.81	57	12	61	73	0.31	11	5	991.5	4.22



13 - JENNA ALLEN

5-10 • Fr. • OH • Lewisville, Texas (Hebron)

Season Highs

Kills

8, Niagara (9/2)

Attempts

23, ETSU (8/25)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)

.333, Niagara (9/2)

Assists

3, Clemson (9/7)

Service Aces

1, 2x, last Clemson
(9/7)

Digs

12, Niagara (9/2)

Blocks Solo

1, Niagara (9/2)

Block Assists

4, Temple (8/24)

Total Blocks

4, Temple (8/24)

2012 (FRESHMAN)

- Played in 15 matches
- Set a personal best with eight kills and 12 digs in the Niagara win (9/2)
- Compiled four block assists in her debut against Temple (8/24)

HIGH SCHOOL

- Texas Girls Coaches Association 5A All-State honors as a senior
- Shared Offensive Player of the Year accolades for District 8-5A in 2011
- Named the Texas Player of the Week by MaxPreps/AVCA on Oct. 30, 2011
- Led the Hawks to the Texas 5A title during her junior year
- Also a four-year letter-winner in track
- Member of the Texas Advantage club when they won a national title in the 15-open division

MAJOR

- Don't know

CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	SP	MP	KILL	K/S	ERR	ATT	PCT	AST	A/S	SA	SA/S	SE	DIG	D/S	RE	BS	BA	TB	B/S	BE	BHE	P	P/S
2012	38	15	41	1.08	19	114	.193	8	0.21	2	0.05	4	36	0.95	4	1	12	13	0.34	0	0	50.0	1.32



15 - LINDSEY CRAFT

5-7 • Jr. • DS • Alpharetta, Ga. (Chattahoochee)

- Two-time SEC Academic Honor Roll member (2010-11)

2012 (JUNIOR)

- Made six digs in each of her two appearances in The Mason Inn Patriot Invitational against Navy and Niagara (9/2)
- Led the Gamecocks with nine digs in the exhibition against the Slovenian National Team (8/29)

2011 (SOPHOMORE)

- Compiled a season-best 14 digs and tied a career best with two assists at LSU (11/13)
- Played the final two sets at libero against Kentucky (9/25) and posted a then-season-best 11 digs
- Had six digs in three different matches: Stony Brook (8/27), Elon (9/3) and Clemson (9/9)

2010 (FRESHMAN)

- Posted 22 digs and a kill against BYU (8/28)
- Had nine digs at Auburn (11/5)

HIGH SCHOOL

- A 5A All-Georgia first-team member as a senior and named a senior all-star
- Three-time 6-5A all-area team recipient
- Helped Chattahoochee win the 6-5A area title as a junior

MAJOR

- International business

Season Highs

Kills

1, Temple (8/24)

Attempts

2, Temple (8/24)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)

N/A

Assists

1, Niagara (9/2)

Service Aces

N/A

Digs

6, 2x, last Niagara (9/2)

Blocks Solo

N/A

Block Assists

N/A

Total Blocks

N/A

Career Highs

Kills

1, 3x, last Temple (8/24/12)

Attempts

2, 6x, last Temple (8/24/12)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)

N/A

Assists

2, 4x, last LSU (11/13/11)

Service Aces

1, 4x, last Mississippi (10/16/11)

Digs

22, BYU (8/28/10)

Blocks Solo

N/A

Block Assists

N/A

Total Blocks

N/A

CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	SP	MP	KILL	K/S	ERR	ATT	PCT	AST	A/S	SA	SA/S	SE	DIG	D/S	RE	BS	BA	TB	B/S	BE	BHE	P	P/S
2010	38	17	2	0.05	1	8	.125	7	0.18	2	0.05	3	66	1.74	4	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	4.0	0.11
2011	55	23	0	0.00	1	9	-.111	9	0.16	2	0.04	5	78	1.42	8	0	0	0	0.00	0	1	2.0	0.04
2012	9	6	1	0.11	0	3	.333	1	0.11	0	0.00	3	17	1.89	2	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	1.0	0.11
TOTAL	102	46	3	0.03	2	20	.050	17	0.17	4	0.04	11	161	1.58	14	0	0	0	0.00	0	1	7.0	0.07



16 - BETHANIE THOMAS

6-1 • So. • OH • Madison, Ala. (Bob Jones)

• 2011-12 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

2012 (SOPHOMORE)

- Third on the team in kills per set (2.26) and digs per set (2.40)
- Compiled 14 digs and nine kills in the LSU win (9/16)
- Led the team with 16 digs in the win over Winthrop (9/8)
- Had 10 kills, 14 digs and four blocks, three of those solo, in the victory against East Tennessee State (8/25)

2011 (FRESHMAN)

- Led South Carolina with a .949 reception percentage
- Posted 10 kills at No. 24 Kentucky (10/28)
- Held to season lows with three digs at both Kentucky and No. 20 Tennessee (10/28-30)
- Made 11 digs vs. No. 13 Florida (10/19)
- Tallied 11 kills and 11 digs at Alabama (10/14)
- Posted two of her five double-doubles in consecutive matches with identical 10 kill and 10 dig outputs vs. Mississippi State (9/18) and Tennessee (9/23)
- Had a career-best 16 digs vs. College of Charleston (9/10)
- MVP of the Gamecock Invitational
- Compiled a .577 hitting percentage with 16 kills, both career bests, against Elon (9/3)
- Posted double-digit digs on 13 occasions, tallying nine five times and eight three other times
- Just missed a double-double in her debut with nine kills and 11 digs against Montana (8/26)

HIGH SCHOOL

- All-state honors in 2007 and 2008
- Finalist for national freshman and sophomore of the year by *PrepVolleyball.com*
- Led Bob Jones to their first volleyball state title in 2008, winning Alabama 6A
- Super All-Metro team member from the *Huntsville Times* as a freshman
- Played exclusively with the Rocket City Volleyball Club her final two years of high school

MAJOR

- Civil engineering

Season Highs

Kills

12, George Mason
(9/1)

Attempts

34, Clemson (9/7)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)

.474, 2x, last UNC
Asheville (8/25)

Assists

5, Clemson (9/7)

Service Aces

2, Akron (8/24)

Digs

16, Winthrop (9/8)

Blocks Solo

3, ETSU (8/25)

Block Assists

2, 2x, last UNC
Asheville (8/25)

Total Blocks

4, ETSU (8/25)

Career Highs

Kills

16, Elon (9/3/11)

Attempts

39, Alabama
(10/14/11)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)

.577, Elon (9/3/11)

Assists

5, 2x, last Clemson
(9/7/12)

Service Aces

2, 2x, last Akron
(8/24/12)

Digs

16, 2x, last Winthrop
(9/8/12)

Blocks Solo

3, ETSU (8/25/12)

Block Assists

2, 7x, last UNC
Asheville (8/25/12)

Total Blocks

4, ETSU (8/25/12)

CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	SP	MP	KILL	K/S	ERR	ATT	PCT	AST	A/S	SA	SA/S	SE	DIG	D/S	RE	BS	BA	TB	B/S	BE	BHE	P	P/S
2011	99	30	207	2.09	89	723	.163	48	0.48	8	0.08	12	259	2.62	28	4	19	23	0.23	3	1	228.5	2.30
2012	50	15	113	2.26	25	319	.276	18	0.36	7	0.14	4	120	2.40	11	10	10	20	0.40	2	0	135.0	2.70
TOTAL	149	45	320	2.15	114	1042	.198	66	0.44	15	0.10	16	379	2.54	39	14	29	43	0.29	5	1	363.5	2.44



17 - ELIZABETH JOHNBULL

5-10 • Fr. • MB • Pflugerville, Texas (Connally)

2012 (FRESHMAN)

- Played in five matches
- Posted three kills on three swings against Navy (9/2)

HIGH SCHOOL

- First-team all-district honors as a senior, helping her team to the district title
- Named District 16-4A's Best Offensive Player as a junior
- Three-time member of the academic all-district listings

MAJOR

- don't know

Season Highs

Kills

3, Navy (9/2)

Attempts

3, Navy (9/2)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)

N/A

Assists

N/A

Service Aces

N/A

Digs

N/A

Blocks Solo

N/A

Block Assists

1, Navy (9/2)

Total Blocks

1, Navy (9/2)

CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	SP	MP	KILL	K/S	ERR	ATT	PCT	AST	A/S	SA	SA/S	SE	DIG	D/S	RE	BS	BA	TB	B/S	BE	BHE	P	P/S
2012	5	5	4	0.80	1	6	.500	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	1	1	0.20	0	0	4.5	0.80



20 - TAYLOR BRUNS

6-0 • Sr. • S • Normal, Ill. (University)

• Three-time SEC Academic Honor Roll (2009-11)

Season Highs

Kills

10, Clemson (9/7)

Attempts

21, UAB (9/8)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)

.588, Clemson (9/7)

Assists

54, UAB (9/8)

Service Aces

3, Temple (8/24)

Digs

13, George Mason (9/1)

Blocks Solo

1, 2x, last Auburn (9/21)

Block Assists

3, No. 21 Tennessee (9/23)

Total Blocks

3, 2x, last No. 21 Tennessee (9/23)

Career Highs

Kills

10, Clemson (9/7/12)

Attempts

21, UAB (9/8/12)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)

.588, Clemson (9/7/12)

Assists

59, C. of Charleston (9/10/11)

Service Aces

6, 2x, last Alabama (11/6/11)

Digs

20, Montana (8/26/11)

Blocks Solo

1, 3x, last Auburn (9/21/12)

Block Assists

4, Montana (8/26/11)

Total Blocks

4, Montana (8/26/11)

2012 (SENIOR)

- MVP of the Carolina Clash with a 2.33 kills average, 2.67 digs average and 11.78 assists average in the event
- Had 54 assists and eight kills in the UAB win (9/8)
- Posted a double-double with a career-best 10 kills and 30 assists in the sweep of Clemson (9/7)
- Compiled seven kills, 39 assists and two aces and guided the team to a .370 hitting percentage in the Niagara win (9/2)
- Had six kills, 32 assists and 13 digs in the win at George Mason (9/1)
- Landed three aces and added 10 digs in the season-opening sweep of Temple (8/24)

2011 (JUNIOR)

- Tied for the team lead with 14 points (seven kills, six aces, two block assists) in the triumph over Alabama (11/6)
- The six aces vs. the Crimson Tide tie for fourth on South Carolina's three-set match chart and tied her career high
- Matched her then-career best with nine kills, hitting .727, and led team to .359 hitting percentage in win over Miss. State (10/21)
- Added her ninth double-double at Ole Miss (10/16) with 48 assists and 10 digs while also adding five kills and an ace
- Made a career-best 59 assists in the win over College of Charleston (9/10)
- A member of the Gamecock Invitational all-tournament team after hitting .556 (18-3-27) and dishing out 11.38 assists per set
- Tallied eight kills without an error in the win over Elon (9/3)
- Named the Temple Invitational's most valuable setter, posting two double-doubles there
- Set a career high with 20 digs and four block assists to go with 36 assists, two kills and two aces in the win over Montana (8/26)
- Had 35 assists and 10 digs in the victory at Temple (8/27)

2010 (SOPHOMORE)

- Led team and ranked seventh in the SEC in assists (7.30 per set average)
- Also ranked fifth in the league in aces (0.30 per set)
- Tied for second-most aces in a five-set match with six while adding 40 assists, seven digs and two block assists vs. BYU (8/28)
- Had season-best 54 assists and six kills against College of Charleston (9/4)
- Hit .350 with eight kills, 35 assists and 10 digs at No. 18 Tennessee (9/17)
- Posted 35 assists, 11 digs and four aces at Mississippi (10/31)
- Compiled 29 assists and four aces in win over Alabama (11/12)
- Had nine kills and .533 hitting percentage, both career bests, along with 41 assists and eight digs vs. Mississippi State (11/13)

2009 (FRESHMAN)

- Sparked a comeback against No. 15 Kentucky when the Gamecocks forced a fifth set with her 11 assists and no service errors (10/4)

HIGH SCHOOL

- An honorable mention on the *Chicago Tribune* and *Champaign News-Gazette* all-state teams in 2008
- Area Player of the Year by the *Bloomington Pantagraph* as a senior
- Twice on the *Pantagraph's* all-area team
- Two-time All-Corn Belt Conference honoree
- Led University to three-consecutive conference championships
- Won the 17s title at AAU Nationals with her Illini Elite club team

MAJOR

- Middle level education

CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	SP	MP	KILL	K/S	ERR	ATT	PCT	AST	A/S	SA	SA/S	SE	DIG	D/S	RE	BS	BA	TB	B/S	BE	BHE	P	P/S
2009	69	28	13	0.19	5	48	.167	175	2.54	7	0.10	11	66	0.96	0	0	1	1	0.01	0	2	20.5	0.29
2010	104	29	76	0.73	28	249	.193	759	7.30	31	0.30	15	181	1.74	0	1	11	12	0.12	4	4	113.5	1.09
2011	102	30	105	1.03	25	242	.331	971	9.52	25	0.25	27	258	2.53	0	0	21	21	0.21	3	9	140.5	1.37
2012	51	15	56	1.10	11	125	.360	456	8.94	12	0.24	9	112	2.20	0	2	11	13	0.25	0	2	75.5	1.47
TOTAL	326	102	250	0.77	69	664	.273	2361	7.24	75	0.23	62	617	1.89	0	3	44	47	0.14	7	17	350.0	1.07



21 - LITSA DARBY

5-6 • Fr. • DS/S • Mount Pleasant, S.C. (Ashley Hall)

2012 (FRESHMAN)

- Played in three matches, posting two assists in the UNC Asheville win (8/25)

HIGH SCHOOL

- Two-time *PrepVolleyball.com* All-American
- The 2011 *High School Sports Report* (HSSR) Miss Volleyball for South Carolina
- Named Lowcountry Player of the Year by the *Charleston Post & Courier*
- Four-time HSSR and South Carolina Independent School Association all-state selection
- Compiled 3,884 assists as the starting setter for her team
- Also earned two track letters and one soccer letter at Ashley Hall
- The 2012 Ashley Hall Community Service Excellence Award winner

MAJOR

- Undeclared

Season Highs

Kills N/A

Attempts N/A

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)
N/A

Assists
2, UNC Asheville
(8/25)

Service Aces
N/A

Digs
2, Navy (9/2)

Blocks Solo
N/A

Block Assists
N/A

Total Blocks
N/A

CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	SP	MP	KILL	K/S	ERR	ATT	PCT	AST	A/S	SA	SA/S	SE	DIG	D/S	RE	BS	BA	TB	B/S	BE	BHE	P	P/S
2012	3	3	0	0.00	0	0	.000	2	0.67	0	0.00	0	2	0.67	0	0	0	0	0.00	0	2	0.0	0.00



22 - MEGAN KENT

6-1 • Jr. • MB/OH • Ijamsville, Md. (Urbana)

• Two-time SEC Academic Honor Roll member (2010-11)

2012 (JUNIOR)

- Started six matches and played in 11
- Posted career bests with 13 kills and a .600 hitting percentage while adding four block assists in the East Tennessee State win (8/25)

2011 (SOPHOMORE)

- Tallied a career-best 10 kills at LSU (11/13)
- Posted then-career highs in kills (8), swings (21), aces (1) and digs (4) at No. 24 Kentucky (10/28)
- Had seven kills on a career-best .500 hitting percentage in the Mississippi State win (10/21)
- Posted a career-best five blocks, including her first solo stuff, to go with a season-best five kills vs. LSU (10/7)
- Went 4-for-5 on swings in the win over Elon (9/3)
- Compiled three kills and three block assists against Montana (8/26)

2010 (FRESHMAN)

- Saw time in 16 matches, starting once
- Posted a career-best eight kills on a .375 hitting percentage while adding two block assists vs. Georgia (10/15)

HIGH SCHOOL

- Named the Monocacy Valley Athletic League (MVAL) Player of the Year by the *Frederick Post*
- All-Met honorable mention by the *Washington Post*
- 2007 and 2009 first-team All-MVAL

MAJOR

- Criminal justice

Season Highs

Kills
13, ETSU (8/25)

Attempts
20, ETSU (8/25)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)
.600, ETSU (8/25)

Assists
1, ETSU (8/25)

Service Aces
N/A

Digs
3, ETSU (8/25)

Blocks Solo
1, ETSU (8/25)

Block Assists
3, ETSU (8/25)

Total Blocks
4, ETSU (8/25)

Career Highs

Kills
13, ETSU (8/25/12)

Attempts
27, LSU (11/13/11)

Hit. % (Min. 12 Att.)
.600, ETSU (8/25/12)

Assists
2, Kentucky
(10/22/10)

Service Aces
1, 2x, last Kentucky
(10/28/11)

Digs
4, Kentucky
(10/28/11)

Blocks Solo
1, 3x, last ETSU
(8/25/12)

Block Assists
4, LSU (10/7/11)

Total Blocks
5, LSU (10/7/11)

CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	SP	MP	KILL	K/S	ERR	ATT	PCT	AST	A/S	SA	SA/S	SE	DIG	D/S	RE	BS	BA	TB	B/S	BE	BHE	P	P/S
2010	26	16	23	0.88	14	61	.148	5	0.19	1	0.04	0	5	0.19	0	0	7	7	0.27	2	1	27.5	1.04
2011	59	23	96	1.63	27	239	.289	5	0.08	1	0.02	2	16	0.27	0	2	27	29	0.49	3	1	112.5	1.90
2012	19	11	28	1.47	5	55	.418	1	0.05	0	0.00	1	6	0.32	0	1	7	8	0.42	3	0	32.5	1.68
TOTAL	104	50	147	1.41	46	355	.285	11	0.11	2	0.02	3	27	0.26	0	3	41	44	0.42	8	2	172.5	1.65