



SHELLEY SMITH

Head Coach

11th Season at South Carolina

15th Season Overall

Vermont, 1993



Shelley Smith enters her 11th season at the helm of the South Carolina women's soccer program in 2011 after turning the Gamecocks into conference and national title contenders with four consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances.

Smith has led the Gamecocks to 59 overall and 25 SEC victories since the NCAA streak began with the 2007 season, marks that both rank second amongst the league's 12 active coaches. She has guided her teams to back-to-back SEC Championship Game appearances, winning the title in 2009 and claiming second in 2010.

The 2010 team posted a 15-6-4 overall mark and a program record 8-2-1 mark in the SEC, earning the team the number two seed in the tournament, another program best. The team advanced to the NCAA Second Round in a year that saw Kayla Grimsley earn SEC Offensive Player of the Year honors in addition to becoming the second All-American in Gamecock history and a MAC Hermann Trophy Award candidate. The team earned four All-SEC selections in Grimsley, Ellen Fahey, Danielle Au and Brittiny Rhoades, who was also selected as a *Top Drawer Soccer* First Team Team of the Season selection.

Once again, the Gamecocks finished as one of the top defensive teams in the country in 2010. The Gamecock squad had a streak of 11 consecutive games in limiting opponents to four shots on goal or less, and finished the regular season as the SEC's leader in every major defensive category including goals against average, shutouts, shots allowed and points allowed. The team posted 10 shutouts on the year and was led by Rhoades on the backline and Mollie Patton in goal. Offensively, Grimsley led the league in goals, points and game-winning goals with a stat line of 12 goals, 10 assists and 34 points, tying the South Carolina single-season record for points in the process.

Carolina's success in the classroom also continued last season as her squad tied a program best with three Academic All-District honors in Mollie Patton, Christine Watts and Brooke Jacobs. Patton was also named to the Academic All-America first team, making South Carolina one of only two teams in the nation - and the only in the SEC - to have an Academic All-American selected each of the past six seasons. Even more impressive is that South Carolina is the only program in the country to have a first team Academic All-America selection each of the past three seasons. In addition, Patton was an NSCAA Scholar All-Region and Lowe's Senior CLASS Award candidate. Smith's team was also honored with its ninth NSCAA Team Academic Award. Smith has coached 154 SEC Academic Honor Roll recipients since coming to USC in 2001.

Smith has coached several top student-athletes at Carolina including Ashley Kirk, USC's first four-time All-SEC honoree, Carolina's All-Americans in four-time All-SEC selection Blakely Mattern and senior Kayla Grimsley, and two-time All-SEC performers Melinda Carter, Jessica Julin and Sarah Lentz. Julin is currently the captain of the Finland National Team, and Carter and Mattern played in the WUSA and WPS, respectively. The Gamecocks have earned 28 All-SEC honors in the last 10 years.

In her first season as head coach at Carolina (2001), the Gamecocks were the third-most improved team in the nation with an 8-7-3 overall record. Carolina also performed well at home with a 5-3 mark at Stone Stadium while allowing opponents to score only four goals in eight matches.

THE SHELLEY SMITH FILE

Full Name: Shelley Addison Smith
Hometown: Shaftsbury, Vt.
Education: B.S. Nutritional Science, Univ. of Vermont, 1993
Family: Husband, Jamie; Sons, Braden (7) and Evan (5)
Playing Experience: Univ. of Vermont, 1990-93
 Sheffield United FC, 1994
 Boston Renegades, 1996-2000
Coaching Experience: Dartmouth (Asst.), 1995-97
 Rhode Island, 1997-2000
 South Carolina, 2001-present

Playing Honors: Two-time All-New England
 Three-time 1st Team All-North Atlantic Conference
 Two-time NSCAA Northeast Region All-American
 Seventh on all-time career GWG list
Coaching Honors: SEC Coach of the Year, 2009
 NSCAA South Region Coach of the Year, 2009
 Atlantic 10 Coach of the Year, 1998
 Nation's Most Improved W-L, 1998 (Rhode Island)
 NSCAA Northeast Region Coach of the Year, 2000
 National Coach of the Year Finalist, 2000, 2009
 USYSA Regional III ODP Staff

VERMONT ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE, 2004

THREE CONSECUTIVE NCAA APPEARANCES

The success continued for USC in 2002 with 13 wins in Smith's second season. The year was highlighted with USC's first ever victories against Florida and Kentucky. Smith also led her team to ties against 2002 SEC champion Auburn and Eastern Division champion Tennessee.

Smith led the Gamecocks to another successful season in 2003 with 10 wins including a then-record eight-game unbeaten streak as well as a 6-2-1 record at home in Stone Stadium.

The 2004 season featured a win over No. 7 Clemson, the Gamecocks' first win over a ranked opponent since 1998, as well as a 6-3 mark in non-conference action. Ashley Kirk also became the first freshman soccer player in school history to be named SEC Freshman of the Year. In addition, Carolina set a school record for a home game winning streak with six consecutive wins.

Following an injury filled 2005 season, the program took a big step forward in 2006 as USC went undefeated at home for the first time in school history with an 8-0-3 mark at Stone Stadium. The team's cumulative goals against average of 0.69 was the lowest ever tallied at Carolina. The season culminated with the Gamecocks advancing to the SEC Tournament semifinals for the first time in Carolina history, as Blakely Mattern became the team's first Freshman All-America selection since 1998.

Smith directed the 2007 Gamecocks to arguably the best season in school history at that time, tying the school record with 14 victories and advancing to the NCAA Tournament for only the second time in program history. Carolina posted a 14-6-3 overall record including a 5-4-2 mark in the SEC after beginning the season by becoming the first team ever to knock off defending national champion and top-ranked North Carolina in a season opening game at Fetzer Field in Chapel Hill. The Gamecocks ran to a 7-0-0 start to the season - program bests for start to a season and winning streak - and peaked at No. 7 in the national polls. For the second consecutive season South Carolina advanced to the SEC Tournament semifinals after knocking off Tennessee for the first time in program history and earned the school's first bid to the NCAA Tournament since 1998. Blakely Mattern became the first sophomore to ever earn SEC Defensive Player of the Year honors in addition to becoming the first All-American in South Carolina history.

Smith has cemented Carolina's position as a conference title contender and player on the national stage after guiding the Gamecocks in 2008 to their second consecutive NCAA Tournament bid and third consecutive SEC Tournament bid, both program firsts. The Gamecocks went 11-7-4 overall and earned five SEC wins for the third year in a row with only one senior on the roster. Respected as a top defensive team, the Gamecocks finished the regular season second in the SEC with eight shutouts and ranked in the top two in every major defensive category including goals allowed, points allowed, shots allowed and shots on goal allowed.

Carolina advanced into the upper echelon of programs after Smith guided the Gamecocks in 2009 to the program's first SEC title and a berth in the NCAA Round of 16, earning her SEC Coach of the Year and NSCAA South Region Coach of the Year honors. South Carolina was a No. 2 national seed in the NCAA tournament and finished with a 19-4-2 record, the best in school history. The Gamecocks finished as one of the top defensive teams in the nation with a school record 15 shutouts, led by Mattern on the backline who was a consensus first team All-American and Lowe's Senior CLASS Award finalist in her final season. Grimsley finished the year with 33 points and was named an honorable mention All-American by Top Drawer Soccer. The team finished eighth in the nation in average attendance.

In 14 years as a head coach, Smith has compiled an overall record of 156-106-30. Besides her collegiate coaching, Smith was a member of the Region III ODP staff for the past six years, as well as an assistant for the '90 Regional Team. Smith also was a member of the 2003 U-14 National Camp staff for U.S. Soccer.

With a background in both semi-professional and collegiate soccer, Smith previously served as head coach at Rhode Island from 1997-2000. The 2000 NSCAA Northeast Region Coach of the Year, Smith rebuilt the URI women's soccer program, compiling a 41-34-2 overall record. Smith took a program that was 2-16 her first year to 12-6-1 in her second season, marking the eighth-most improved won-lost record for a team in NCAA history. In 2000, Smith coached URI to its best record ever of 15-4-1, while reaching the Atlantic 10 Semifinals, a first in URI history.

Smith was nominated for the 2000 National Coach of the Year. The New England Women's Soccer Intercollegiate Soccer Association (NEWISA) also named her its Division I Coach of the Year in 2000. She was the 1998 Atlantic 10 Coach of the Year as well.

In addition to her experience as a coach, Smith brings experience from the semi-professional level. From 1996-2000, Smith played for the Boston Renegades in the W-1 League. Smith was captain in 2000 as she led Boston to the semifinals in the W-1 Championship. The Renegades reached the finals in 1998. Smith also had the opportunity to play overseas in 1994 as a member of the Sheffield United Women's Football Club in England.

Smith, a 1993 graduate of the University of Vermont with a degree in nutritional science, received her teacher's certificate from the same institution in 1995. Smith started all four years for

SMITH'S CAREER RECORD

Year	Record	School
1997	2-16	Rhode Island
1998	12-6-1	Rhode Island
1999	12-8	Rhode Island
2000	15-4-1	Rhode Island
2001	8-7-3	South Carolina
2002	13-6-2	South Carolina
2003	10-8-3	South Carolina
2004	8-10-2	South Carolina
2005	6-12	South Carolina
2006	11-6-5	South Carolina
2007	14-6-3	South Carolina
2008	11-7-4	South Carolina
2009	19-4-2	South Carolina
2010	15-6-4	South Carolina
Totals	156-106-30	
	41-34-2	Rhode Island
	115-72-28	South Carolina

COACHING HONOR ROLL

All-SEC Players	Team
2001	Jessica Julin 1st
	Melinda Carter 2nd
2002	Melinda Carter 2nd
	Alison Jarrow 2nd
2003	Sarah Lentz 2nd
2004	Sarah Lentz 1st
2005	Ashley Kirk 2nd
2006	Courtney Cobbs 2nd
	Ashley Kirk 2nd
	Blakely Mattern 2nd
2007	Ashley Kirk 1st
	Blakely Mattern* 1st
	Darcel Mollon 2nd
2008	Blakely Mattern 1st
	Kayla Grimsley 2nd
2009	Blakely Mattern 1st
	Kayla Grimsley 1st
	Kim Miller 2nd
	Samantha Diaz-Matosas 2nd
2010	Kayla Grimsley** 1st
	Brittany Rhoades 1st
	Ellen Fahey 2nd

*SEC Defensive Player of the Year
**SEC Offensive Player of the Year

All-SEC Freshman Team

2003	M.A. Foster
	Shelley Hoddeson
2004	Ashley Kirk*
2006	Blakely Mattern
2007	Brittany Rhoades
2008	Kayla Grimsley
2010	Danielle Au
	*SEC Co-Freshman of the Year

All-South/Southeast Region

All-South/Southeast Region	Team
2001	Melinda Carter NSCAA-3
2002	Melinda Carter NSCAA-3
	S.B.-3
2006	Courtney Cobbs S.B.-3
	Ashley Kirk S.B.-3
	Blakely Mattern S.B.-3
	S.B.-Fr.
2007	Blakely Mattern S.B.-1
	Darcel Mollon NSCAA-2
	Ashley Kirk S.B.-3
	Brittany Rhoades S.B.-Fr.
2008	Blakely Mattern S.B.-2
	Kayla Grimsley NSCAA-3
2009	Blakely Mattern S.B.-Fr.
	Kayla Grimsley NSCAA-1
	Kim Miller NSCAA-1
	Samantha Diaz-Matosas NSCAA-2
2010	Mollie Patton NSCAA-2
	Kayla Grimsley NSCAA-1
	Brittany Rhoades NSCAA-2

All-America Honors Team

2003	Kanika McAlpine Acad.
2005	Kimmy Criss Acad.
2006	Laura Armstrong T.D.-4
	Annie Galloway Acad.
2007	Blakely Mattern S.B.-Frosh, T.D.-Frosh
	Blakely Mattern S.B.-4
	Brittany Rhoades S.B.-Frosh, T.D.-Frosh
	Erin Sullivan Acad.
2008	Blakely Mattern Acad.
2009	Blakely Mattern NSCAA-1, S.A.-1,
	Acad.-1, Scholar-1
	Scholar-3
2010	Mollie Patton NSCAA-4, T.D.-1
	Kayla Grimsley Acad.-1
	Mollie Patton T.D.-2
	Brittany Rhoades

2009 SEC TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS

the Catamounts. Her primary positions were center midfielder and central defender. She was a regional All-American in both 1992 and '93 in addition to being named First Team All-North Atlantic Conference each year from 1991-93. During her freshman year, the squad won the ECAC Tournament. Vermont was one of the first programs to offer women's soccer as a varsity sport and it competed on a national level. Smith was named to Vermont's Athletic Hall of Fame in the summer of 2004.

Smith worked as an assistant coach at Dartmouth College from 1995-97. The Big Green made the NCAA Tournament in her second season with the program.

Smith is married to USC associate head coach Jamie Smith, a 1994 graduate of Providence College. They are the proud parents of two sons, Braden James, born on Nov. 25, 2003 and Evan Addison born on Jan. 6, 2006. The family resides in Columbia, S.C.

Smith has her USSF B license and the NCAA Advanced National Diploma. She is currently a member of the USYSA Regional Olympic Development Staff.

A native of Shaftsbury, Vt., Smith graduated from Mount Anthony Union High School in 1989.

ACTIVE SEC COACH'S OVERALL WINS SINCE 2007

Name	Current School	Record	Win Percentage
Becky Burleigh	Florida	71-17-9	77.9%
Shelley Smith	South Carolina	59-23-13	69.0%
Brian Lee	LSU	49-21-19	65.7%
Jon Lipsitz	Kentucky	49-26-9	63.7%
Karen Hoppa	Auburn	43-34-9	55.2%
Angela Kelly	Tennessee	43-34-8	55.3%
Steve Holeman	Georgia	38-30-14	54.9%
Ronnie Coveleskie	Vanderbilt	34-36-8	43.7%
Todd Bramble	Alabama	33-34-10	49.4%
Neil Macdonald	Mississippi State	28-47-3	37.8%
Erin Aubry	Arkansas	27-37-11	43.3%
Matt Mott	Ole Miss	7-9-3	45.0%

ACTIVE SEC COACH'S CONFERENCE WINS SINCE 2007

Name	Current School	SEC Record	Win Percentage
Becky Burleigh	Florida	37-4-3	87.5%
Shelley Smith	South Carolina	25-13-6	63.6%
Brian Lee	LSU	24-11-9	64.8%
Angela Kelly	Tennessee	24-15-5	60.2%
Karen Hoppa	Auburn	24-17-3	58.0%
Steve Holeman	Georgia	21-14-9	58.0%
Ronnie Coveleskie	Vanderbilt	15-24-5	39.8%
Todd Bramble	Alabama	9-20-4	33.3%
Jon Lipsitz	Kentucky	6-13-3	34.1%
Erin Aubry	Arkansas	4-14-4	27.3%
Neil Macdonald	Mississippi State	4-37-3	12.5%
Matt Mott	Ole Miss	3-5-3	40.9%



JAMIE SMITH

Associate Head Coach

11th Season at South Carolina

Providence, 1994



Jamie Smith enters his 11th season with the University of South Carolina women's soccer program and his ninth year as associate head coach. In his first two years at USC, Smith was an assistant coach for the Gamecocks before being promoted to associate head coach in April 2003.

Smith has been instrumental in developing South Carolina into one of the top defensive units in the nation. In working with the backs, Smith has turned the program into a unit that has been ranked in the top two in the SEC since 2007. The squad led the conference in every major defensive category in 2009, including goals allowed, shots allowed, goals against average and shutouts. That was followed with a 2010 season where the defense squad had a streak of 11 consecutive games in limiting opponents to four shots on goal or less, and finished the regular season as the SEC's leader in every major defensive category including goals against average, shutouts, shots allowed and points allowed.

He has developed the top defensive players in South Carolina history, most notably Blakely Mattern who ended her career as a two-time All-American (2006 Freshman All-American, 2009 First Team All-American). Under Smith's guidance, Mattern became a four-time All-SEC player, the 2007 SEC Defensive Player of the Year and a 2009 consensus first team All-American. He has also developed 2007 Freshman All-American and 2010 *Top Drawer Soccer* All-American Brittny Rhoades, all-region selections Melinda Carter and Courtney Cobbs, and All-SEC selection Ellen Fahey, Sarah Lentz and Alison Jarrow.

A top recruiter and evaluator of talent, Smith earned his first collegiate coaching award in the Fall of 2003 when he was selected as one of the AFLAC Assistant Coach of the Year.

Smith graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree from Providence College in 1994. While at PC, Smith was a three-year starter for the Friars' varsity team. Upon graduating, he held the Providence record for career saves and currently is second on the list at 263. Since graduating, he has served as assistant coach for three universities, including Brown where he held the position from 1999 to 2001.

At Brown, Smith's responsibilities included evaluating and recruiting players, scouting of opponents, and developing playing strategies. In addition, Smith was responsible for all aspects of fund-raising efforts including the Brown Youth Futbol School of Excellence, Spring Break Camp, and Youth Indoor Tournament. Smith further cultivated his coaching talents assisting for three years at Dartmouth College and as assistant and Interim Head Coach at Vermont.

In addition to his collegiate coaching experience, Smith held various positions with the Upper Valley Lightning Soccer Club in Hanover, N.H. from 1996 to 1998. The club is one of the largest in New Hampshire with over 2500 youth participants. Smith is also the Co-owner/Director of the World Class Soccer School in Shaftsbury, Vt. a youth summer day camp he established, developed and has operated from 1995 to the present.

Smith played professionally in the United States Interregional Soccer League with the New Hampshire Phantoms in 1995 and 1996, the Vermont Wanderers in 1997, and the Vermont Voltage in 1998. Smith also trained and played with the Montreal Impact in 1997 and 1998. Smith has a National, Advanced National and Goalkeeping License from the National Soccer Coaches Association of America. Smith graduated as a double-major in marketing and management from Providence and holds a United States Soccer Federation B License.

THE JAMIE SMITH FILE

Full Name: Jamie Smith
Hometown: South Burlington, Vt.
Education: B.S., Providence College, 1994
Playing Experience: Providence College, 1990-93
 New Hampshire Phantoms, 1995-96
 Vermont Wanderers, 1997
 Vermont Voltage, 1998

Coaching Experience: Upper Valley Lightning SC, 1996-98
 Vermont (Asst.), 1994-95
 Vermont (Interim HC), 1996
 Dartmouth (Men's Asst.), 1999-00
 South Carolina (Asst.), 2001-03
 South Carolina (Assoc.), 2003-present
Playing Honors: Graduated as PC's career saves leader
Coaching Honors: AFLAC Assistant Coach of the Year, 2003
 U.S. U20 Team Camp Assistant, 2008
 Five All-America defenders (Full & Freshman Teams)



MAT COSGRIFF

Assistant Coach

Ninth Season at South Carolina

Maine, 2002

Mat Cosgriff will begin his ninth season with the University of South Carolina women's soccer program in 2011. Cosgriff works with the goalkeepers and assists in all aspects of the program.

Under Cosgriff's tutelage, South Carolina has earned five SEC Defensive Player of the Week honors, two SEC All-Tournament selections and two Top Drawer Soccer Team of the Season selections at goalkeeper. Since the 2006 season, his efforts have steadily crafted South Carolina into a top defensive team in the conference, culminating in having the SEC's top defensive unit in 2009 and 2010. Cosgriff's keepers have two of the top five best seasons in SEC history based on goals against average and hold multiple SEC individual records.

Perhaps the best season for a South Carolina goalkeeper came in 2009 when Mollie Patton set program records for single season and career shutouts while leading the nation for most of the year in the same category. She finished the season ranked third nationally in shutouts (15) and wins (19), and was tenth nationally in goals against average (0.516). She led the SEC in all three categories as well, a first for a South Carolina keeper. The 15 shutouts shattered the previous school record of seven, set by Elise Matthews in Cosgriff's first season with the program, and Patton also set the SEC records for shutouts in a season and consecutive shutouts (7).

Patton finished her career in 2010 as one of the best goalkeepers in SEC history, ranking No. 2 in the conference in career goals against average (0.73) and No. 3 for career shutouts (31). She finishes her career No. 9 in the NCAA record books with her 31 career shutouts, and her single-season record of 15 is No. 8 in the all-time NCAA record book.

Cosgriff's goalkeepers have posted four of the lowest five goals against averages in Carolina history, led by the school-record 0.55 set in the record breaking 2009 season. Laura Armstrong posted a 0.49 GAA in the 2007 season, setting the USC individual record with a mark that led the SEC and was ninth nationally. She finished her career third on the All-Time SEC list with a 0.82 GAA from 2004-07 after coming to USC with only two years' experience at the position.

Goalkeeper Lindsay Thorstenson became the first USC player to earn NSCAA and Soccer America National Player of the Week honors after becoming the first keeper to ever shutout perennial power North Carolina in a home opener. Thorstenson's effort in 2007 ended a 27 game Tar Heel winning streak and a 54 game UNC streak without being shutout.

Cosgriff came to USC after serving one year as the men's soccer assistant coach at the University of Maine. His duties at Maine included goalkeepers coach, recruiting coordinator, analyzing game film, scheduling, organizing road trips, organizing high school and alumni tournaments and providing nutrition and exercise assistance to players.

Before serving as assistant coach for the University of Maine, Cosgriff was a four-year letterwinner for the Black Bears. He earned All-New England honors and assumed numerous academic awards, including being a three-time UMaine scholar-athlete. Cosgriff was a four-year member of the America East Academic Honor Roll, receiving the Commissioner's Honor Roll recognition (3.5 GPA or higher) his junior and senior years. In 2002, Cosgriff graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in sociology.

A native of Lebanon, N.H., Cosgriff also played for the Vermont Voltage of the Premier Development League (PDL).



THE MAT COSGRIFF FILE

Full Name: Mat Cosgriff
Hometown: Lebanon, N.H.
Education: B.S. Sociology, University of Maine, 2002
Playing Experience: Univ. of Maine, 1998-01
 Vermont Voltage, 2000-01
Coaching Experience: Maine (Men's Asst.), 2002
 Black Bear United YSC (Asst.), 2003
 South Carolina (Asst.), 2003-present

Playing Honors: Three-time UMaine Scholar Athlete
 Four-time America East Honor Roll
 Two-time Commissioner's Honor Roll
 All-New England honors
Coaching Honors: Five SEC Defensive POW's
 Two Top Drawer Soccer Team of the Season
 Two SEC All-Tournament Team selections
 NSCAA National Player of the Week, 2007
 Soccer America Player of the Week, 2007
 Three-time Soccer Buzz Team of the Week