

# Coaching Staff



## BEVERLY SMITH

### HEAD COACH

### FIRST SEASON

On July 20, 2010, Beverly Smith became the 10th head softball coach in the history of the University of South Carolina.

Smith comes to Columbia after a successful stint at North Carolina. Spending the past three years as the associate head coach after nine as an assistant, Smith helped the Tar Heels to two Atlantic Coast Conference titles in 2001 and 2008 and eight of their nine NCAA Tournament appearances. She served as the lead recruiter for the Tar Heels during that time, helping to bring in five All-Americans into the UNC program. She also helped North Carolina achieve a top-25 ranking in the USA Today/National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) Coaches Poll at least once per season from 2006-10.

Her responsibilities on the field included coaching the battery. She coached a pitching staff that ranked in the top 10 in the nation in ERA in three of her final four seasons at North Carolina. The 2010 squad finished 16th in NCAA Division I with a 1.92 ERA.

Smith coached three-time All-American and two-time ACC Player of the Year Danielle Spaulding. During the past three seasons, Spaulding finished in the nation's top six in strikeouts per seven innings. In 2010, Spaulding was the toughest pitcher in the country to hit against, as she yielded just 2.61 hits per seven innings. In 2009, Spaulding led the country with 14.3 strikeouts per seven innings.

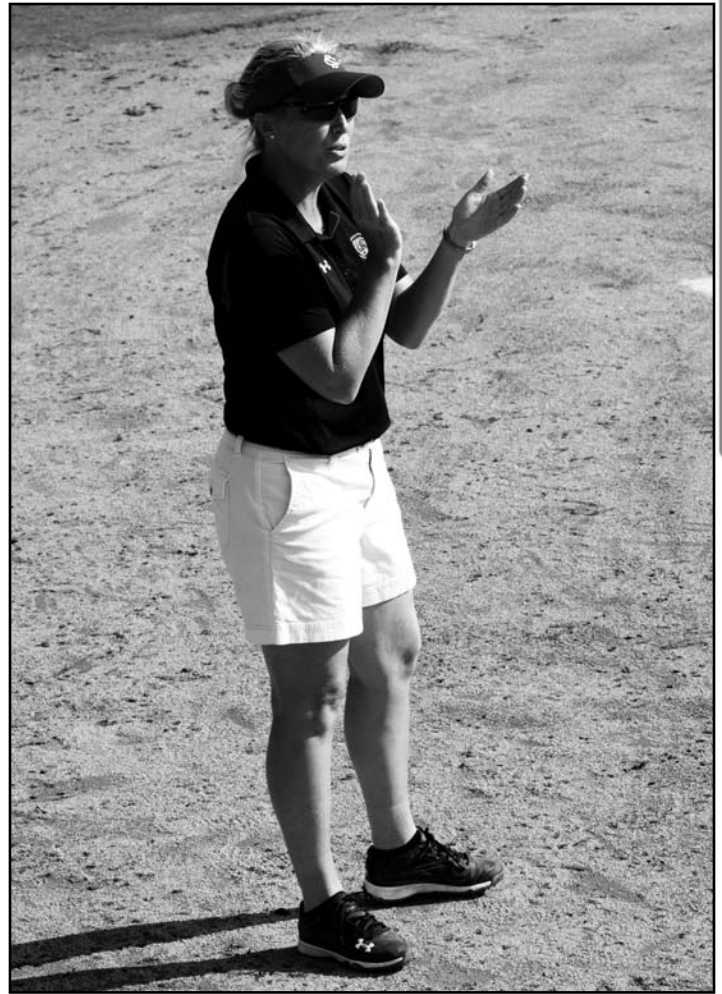
Smith also guided Crystal Cox to All-America honors, making the third team in 2006 after claiming ACC Rookie of the Year honors in 2003. Lisa Norris also thrived under Smith's tutelage, earning three All-ACC and three all-region honors, with two of each coming on the first team. Amber Johnson also garnered second-team All-ACC accolades during her time under Smith. In total, five of her pitchers claimed 10 all-league honors.

Her catchers have also stood out in the ACC, with three claiming all-conference honors. Ally Blake and Brittany McKinney claimed spots in 2010 and 2009, respectively, while Natalie Anter made the list four times from 1999-2002. Anter also played in the 2004 Athens Olympics with the Italian national team.

Born in Asheboro, N.C., and raised in Houston, Texas, Smith spent two years at the University of Houston, starting in the academic office before working as the athletics department's marketing coordinator. She played and served as an assistant coach for the Tampa Bay FireStix of the Women's Pro Softball League in 1997. During this time, she also coached Episcopal High School in Bellaire, Texas, to three state titles and a state runner-up spot (1995-98).

A standout player for head coach Donna Papa before joining her staff, Smith was the 1994 ACC Player of the Year. A dual threat, Smith still ranks ninth in Tar Heel history in slugging percentage, second in triples, third in RBI, fifth in shutouts and seventh in ERA.

In addition to her coaching, Smith has been a speaker/clinician at many camps and conventions. She graduated from North Carolina in 1994 with a double major in speech communications and political science.



## SMITH'S TIMELINE

### Coaching

<b>Present</b>	Head coach, South Carolina
<b>2009-2010</b>	Associate head coach, North Carolina
<b>2003-2008</b>	Assistant head coach, North Carolina
<b>1998-2002</b>	Assistant coach, North Carolina
<b>1997</b>	Assistant coach, Tampa Bay FireStix (WPSL)
<b>1995-1998</b>	Head coach, Episcopal High School (Bellaire, Texas)

### Other Employment

<b>2002-2003</b>	Private business
<b>1995-1996</b>	Marketing coordinator, Houston
<b>1994-1995</b>	Academic affairs assistant, Houston

### Playing

<b>1997</b>	Tampa Bay FireStix (WPSL)
<b>1991-1994</b>	North Carolina

### Education

<b>1994, B.A.</b>	Speech communications & political science, North Carolina
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## JANELLE BRENEMAN

### ASSISTANT COACH

#### FIRST SEASON

In her first year as an assistant coach at South Carolina is Janelle Breneman, who will work with the Gamecock hitters, infield and team defense.

Breneman has put together an impressive resume in 15 years of coaching at the collegiate level. She spent the past six seasons at North Carolina as an assistant coach, helping that program to five 40+ win seasons and continue a run of eight-consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances. The Tar Heel defense has led the Atlantic Coast Conference in fielding percentage in three of the last four years and finished in the top 25 in the nation since 2007. Offensively, UNC has stood in the top 100 in the country in home runs per at bat the past three seasons. She helped Danielle Spaulding become a three-time All-American, as the 2010 first-team honoree ranked among the nation's leaders in home runs in both 2009 and 2010. In total, Breneman had a hand in eight student-athletes earning 14 All-ACC certificates.

Breneman brings nine years of collegiate head coaching experience to the staff as well, including a four-year run at Bucknell. The Bison made the Patriot League Tournament for the first time since 2000 in her final year of 2004, and her peers selected her as the league's coach of the year. She moved to Lewisburg, Pa., from East Stroudsburg after serving five years as the head coach of Warriors.

A four-year letterwinner, Breneman played at Bloomsburg University under legendary head coach Jan Hutchinson. She earned All-America accolades as a senior while claiming first-team All-Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference honors three times. She still holds the Huskies' career record with 351 assists. Bloomsburg advanced into the NCAA Division II Championship all four years, finishing second in 1991 and third in both 1990 and 1992.

Breneman spent three years playing in the Women's Pro Softball League for the Georgia Pride after graduating from Bloomsburg with her degree in adult health and cardiac rehabilitation.



## CALVIN BEAMON

### ASSISTANT COACH

#### FIRST SEASON

The South Carolina Gamecocks welcomed Calvin Beamon in the fall of 2010 as the new hitting coach for the softball team. The first-year collegiate coach will also assist with outfield defense.

Beamon won two national titles during his baseball career, first at the College of Southern Nevada as the program won the 2003 NJCAA baseball title before being a part of Texas' 2005 College World Series champs. While at CSN, which plays in a wood-bat conference, Beamon hit .342 with seven doubles and five triples during his freshman season before posting a .295 batting average as a sophomore, stealing 23 bases in 25 attempts.

Starting 24 games for the Longhorns during the championship year, Beamon hit .253 in 99 at bats, scoring 20 times on the year. He moved back to the Silver State to play his final season at UNLV. During that 2007 season with the Rebels, Beamon got on base at a .375 clip while hitting .298. He also stole 17 bags during his senior season.

Beamon also won a state title at Smokey Hill High School in Cherry Creek, Colo., where he called home.

After college, Beamon played parts of two seasons in professional baseball after signing with the Seattle Mariners. A draftee on three occasions, Beamon was selected by the St. Louis Cardinals in the 12th round of the 2004 MLB Rule IV Draft.

Since retiring from baseball, Beamon has been teaching baseball and softball players of all levels in southern Illinois and the greater St. Louis, Mo., area at Athletix Factory and LSI. He's also been an evaluator for USA Baseball's youth teams since focusing on coaching.

Earning his degree at UNLV in 2010, Beamon is engaged to Kristina Diaz, and the couple has a son, Kai.

### BRENEMAN'S TIMELINE

#### Coaching

<b>Present</b>	Assistant coach, South Carolina
<b>2004-2010</b>	Assistant coach, North Carolina
<b>2000-2004</b>	Head coach, Bucknell
<b>1995-2000</b>	Head coach, East Stroudsburg
<b>1994-1995</b>	Head coach, Ephrata (Pa.) High School
<b>1992-1993</b>	Student assistant coach, Bloomsburg

#### Playing

<b>1996-1998</b>	Georgia Pride (WPSL)
<b>1989-1992</b>	Bloomsburg

#### Education

<b>1993, B.S.</b>	Adult health and cardiac rehabilitation, Bloomsburg
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Twice, Breneman has been inducted into a hall of fame: at her high school, Ephrata (Pa.), in 2001 and at Bloomsburg in 2006.

Breneman also coordinated camps and clinics for the Tar Heels during her tenure, working at the 2006 and 2007 NCAA YES Softball Clinics held in conjunction with the Women's College World Series in Oklahoma City. She is a member of the National Fastpitch Coaches Association.

### BEAMON'S TIMELINE

#### Coaching

<b>Present</b>	Assistant coach, South Carolina
<b>2008-2010</b>	Head instructor, Athletix Factory & LSI

#### Playing

<b>2007-2008</b>	Wisconsin Timber Rattlers, Midwest League (Seattle Mariners "A" affiliate)
<b>2006-2007</b>	UNLV
<b>2005</b>	Texas
<b>2003-2004</b>	College of Southern Nevada

#### Education

<b>2010, B.S.</b>	Sociology and physical education, UNLV
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## Robert Campbell

Associate Director of Academic

Robert Campbell joined South Carolina's Athletic Department in January of 2007. Campbell serves as the academic advisor for softball, women's soccer and equestrian. A Kentucky native and graduate of the University of Louisville, Campbell previously worked at his alma mater's Olga Peers Academic Center for Student-Athletes and the University of Central Florida. Campbell holds both bachelor's and master's degrees in sport administration.



## Justin Corley

Manager

Justin Corley is in his third year as a manager for the Gamecock softball program. His duties include helping with the video at all contests and working with the bullpen crew. A physical education major, the Columbia, S.C., native is scheduled to graduate in 2011.



## Bri Gomez

Graduate Assistant Athletic Trainer

Bri Gomez is in her first year as a graduate assistant athletic trainer in the South Carolina sports medicine program. Primarily assigned to softball, she also helps Erin Pettinger with the volleyball team. Gomez graduated from Florida with a B.S. in athletic training and worked with the Gator gymnastics team for a year before spending a year at area high schools. A Niceville, Fla., native, she earned her certification in 2010 and is also certified for Graston therapy.



## Sammy Hansis

Manager

In her first season with the Gamecocks is manager Sammy Hansis. A four-year letter-winner at North Myrtle Beach (S.C.) High School, Hansis was twice named all-region. She played with the Coastal Castaways travel team before coming to Columbia. She is a freshman majoring in sport and entertainment management.



## Raymond Harrison

Associate AD/Academics & Life Skills

Raymond Harrison is in his first year as associate athletic director over academic and life skills for the University of South Carolina athletics department, earning his second promotion after joining the staff in the fall of 2006. He is the administrator for the Gamecock softball team along with his duties heading up the academics staff.

Under Harrison's tutelage, the Gamecocks have continually improved in the classroom, recording the department's highest GPA on record in the fall of 2010. Harrison also oversaw the football study hall renovation project in the library and was on the planning committee for the new Dodie Anderson Academic Enrichment Center that opened in January of 2010.

Before he joined the Gamecocks, Harrison served as associate director of academic services at the University of Louisville for six years. During his Louisville tenure, he worked with various sports. The men's basketball team earned its highest GPA each of the final four years under Harrison, and the 2005 Final Four team won the C-USA Sport Academic Award, presented to the team in each conference sport with the highest GPA for the academic year. Harrison also served as basketball's assistant strength coach his last two years at Louisville. Previously, Harrison was an academic advisor at his alma mater, Cincinnati, where he was a four-year letterman. He owns two degrees from UC.

The Chicago native and wife, Jamala, have one son, Emil.



## Koby Padgett

Assistant Media Relations Director

Koby Padgett is in his fourth year at South Carolina, serving as the assistant media relations director for volleyball and softball. Padgett came from Tennessee, where he worked as a graduate assistant in the women's athletic department. While in Knoxville, he worked with the soccer and rowing programs and acted as the media coordinator for the 2007 NCAA Women's Rowing Championships. Prior to getting his master's in sports management at UTK, he worked as the media relations assistant at Jacksonville University, where he handled day-to-day tasks for 11 of the Dolphins' 18 sports. Padgett earned his bachelor's at Mississippi State in communication and worked with the Bulldog track and field and cross country programs for two years. The Lexington, Miss., native also served as co-media coordinator at the 2002 SEC Outdoor Track & Field Championships.



## Erin Pettinger

Assistant Athletic Trainer

Erin Pettinger is in her third year as an assistant athletic trainer at South Carolina, where she works with the Gamecock softball and volleyball teams. She spent four years at Duquesne, working with the Dukes' baseball, lacrosse and volleyball teams during her tenure. Pettinger earned a master's degree in education with an emphasis on sports administration from the University of Miami in 2004. While serving as the Hurricanes' graduate assistant trainer, she worked with the football and men's and women's tennis teams. She graduated from Nebraska with a bachelor's in athletic training in 2002 and worked as a student athletic trainer with a variety of the Huskers' squads. The Beatrice, Neb., native is a member of the National Athletic Trainers' Association and is an approved clinical instructor and a certified athletic trainer. She has also become certified in kinesiotaping and grastons technique.



## Sarah Ploor

Marketing Assistant

Sarah Ploor serves as a marketing assistant for the 2010-11 year, working with many of the Gamecock teams, including volleyball and softball. A 2010 graduate of Florida with a B.S. in business administration, she worked in the Gators' marketing department for four years, assisting at women's basketball, baseball, gymnastics, tennis, softball, and football.



## Christie Pollner

Graduate Assistant Strength Coach

Christie Pollner is in her first season working with the Gamecock softball team. A graduate of Oklahoma State, Pollner rowed for the Cowgirls for three years while getting her degree in international business. A Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist, she spent the fall interning at Dartmouth, where she worked with eight teams including football and lacrosse.



## Chrissy Schoonmaker

Volunteer Assistant Coach

In her first year as a volunteer assistant coach, Chrissy Schoonmaker returns to the program where she won four letters and started 176 games.

Schoonmaker, a 2007 graduate who completed her master's in 2009 at South Carolina, played from 2004-06 before returning from a broken neck to play in 2008. A five-time Southeastern Conference Academic Honor Roll member and two-time National Fastpitch Coaches Association Scholar-Athlete, she earned a spot on the initial SEC All-Defensive Team in 2008 as one of two second basemen selected.

Since completing her eligibility, Schoonmaker spent a year in the Gamecocks' revenue development department before moving to a public relations job at Lexington Medical Center. To start her coaching career, she served as an assistant softball coach at Dreher High School in 2009 before being promoted to co-head coach in 2010.

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