



SHELLEY SMITH

Head Coach

10th Season at South Carolina

14th Season Overall

Vermont, 1993



Shelley Smith enters her tenth season at the helm of the USC women's soccer program in 2010 after turning the Gamecocks into conference and national title contenders with three consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances.

Smith moved Carolina into the upper echelon of programs after guiding 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 tournament and finished with a 19-4-2 record, the best in school history. The team's 7-3-1 conference record was also a program best, and four players earned All-SEC honors in Blakely Mattern, Kayla Grimsley, Samantha Diaz-Matosas and Kim Miller.

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 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.

Carolina's success in the classroom also continued last season as her squad earned two Academic All-District honors in Mattern and Mollie Patton for the second consecutive year. Mattern was also named to the Academic All-America first team, making South Carolina one of only four teams in the nation - and the only in the SEC - to have an Academic All-American selected each of the past five seasons. In addition, Mattern and Patton were named NSCAA Scholar All-Americans, the first in program history. Her team was also honored with its eighth NSCAA Team Academic Award. Smith has coached 131 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 first All-American in four-time All-SEC selection Blakely Mattern and two-time All-SEC performers Melinda Carter, Jessica Julin, Kayla Grimsley and Sarah Lentz. Julin is currently the captain of the Finland National Team and Carter played in the WUSA. The Gamecocks have earned 24 All-SEC honors in the last nine 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 at Stone Stadium while allowing opponents to score only four goals in eight matches.

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 USC 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

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 (6) and Evan (4)
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

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.

In 13 years as a head coach, Smith has compiled an overall record of 141-101-26. Besides her collegiate coaching, Smith was a member of the Region III ODP staff for the past five 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 41-35-2 overall record. Smith took a program that was 2-16 her first year to 12-7-1 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 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.

SMITH'S CAREER RECORD

Year	Record	School
1997	2-16	Rhode Island
1998	12-7-1	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
Totals	141-101-26	
	41-35-2	Rhode Island
	100-66-24	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

All-SEC Freshman Team

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

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
2007	Blakely Mattern	S.B.-Fr.
		S.B.-1
	Darcel Mollon	NSCAA-2
		NSCAA-2
		S.B.-3
	Ashley Kirk	S.B.-3
	Brittany Rhoades	S.B.-Fr.
2008	Blakely Mattern	S.B.-2
		NSCAA-3
	Kayla Grimsley	S.B.-Fr.
2009	Blakely Mattern	NSCAA-1
	Kayla Grimsley	NSCAA-1
	Kim Miller	NSCAA-2
	Samantha Diaz-Matosas	NSCAA-2
	Mollie Patton	NSCAA-2

All-America Honors Team

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

2009 SEC TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS



JAMIE SMITH

Associate Head Coach

10th Season at South Carolina

Providence, 1994

Jamie Smith enters his tenth season with the University of South Carolina women's soccer program and his eighth 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.

He has developed the top defensive players in South Carolina history, most notably Blakely Mattern who became the program's first All-American in 2007. 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 2008 Freshman All-American Britiny Rhoades, all-region selections Melinda Carter and Courtney Cobbs, and All-SEC selection 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 Coaches 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, Smith 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. He also currently coordinates numerous camps in South Carolina.

Upon graduating from Providence, 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
 Four All-America defenders (Full & Freshman Teams)



MAT COSGRIFF

Assistant Coach

Eighth Season at South Carolina

Maine, 2002



Mat Cosgriff will begin his eighth season with the University of South Carolina women's soccer program in 2010. 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, an SEC All-Tournament selection 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. Cosgriff's keepers have two of the top five best seasons in SEC history based on goals against average.

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).

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 Southeastern Conference 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.

Upon 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
 One SEC All-Tournament Team
 NSCAA National Player of the Week, 2007
 Soccer America Player of the Week, 2007
 Three-time Soccer Buzz Team of the Week