



COACHES & STAFF





2007 GAMECOCK SOFTBALL

Joyce Compton

Head ♦ Coach



Champions are led by leaders and Head Coach Joyce Compton is both a champion and a leader. In the history of the sport of NCAA softball South Carolina is known for its tradition and success, thanks to the efforts of Coach Compton. Inducted into the National Fastpitch Coaches Association Hall of Fame on December 6, 2002, the legendary Compton, enters her 21st year at the helm of Gamecock Softball.

As she enters her 25th season at a Division I school, the two-time SEC Coach of the Year has amassed a 975-447-3 record. These numbers rank Compton as one of the top 25 winningest coaches in NCAA history. Entering the 2007 season, Compton is second in career victories among SEC coaches and is first in victories among SEC coaches at their current school. As the longest tenured female coach in Gamecock history, Compton is one of 13 coaches in NCAA history to serve at one school for at least 20 years, and among seven active coaches, ranks sixth.

In 31 years of coaching, Compton is 1,068-466-3, and her South Carolina teams rank on the all-time NFCA rankings list dating back to 1995.

In 2004, Compton recorded her 1,000th career win, her 900th NCAA Division I win and her 800th Carolina win. She enters the 2007 season just 25 victories shy of her 1,000th Division I win.

Also in 2004, Compton led the Gamecocks to a USC record sixth consecutive NCAA appearance.

2003 was the 30th year for Carolina softball and in her 28th year of coaching Coach Compton led her team to its fifth consecutive NCAA Tournament and 13th NCAA trip overall and its seventh straight SEC Tournament. The Gamecocks also recorded their fifth consecutive 40-plus win season.

In 2002, Compton led a talented Gamecock program to an SEC Eastern Division title for the second year in a row, and to the NCAA Tournament for the 10th time during her tenure at Carolina.

With a 46-20 overall record in 2002, the SEC Co-Coach of the Year posted her fourth consecutive

40-plus win season, 11th overall while coaching at Carolina. Also in 2002, the Gamecocks went 20-10 in the SEC to record their first 20-plus win conference record since 1997, the first year the SEC sponsored softball.

In 2000, Compton and her USC squad rebounded from a sub-par regular season performance and claimed the program's second-ever SEC Tournament title.

Since 1997, South Carolina has had 15 All-SEC selections, 18 SEC All-Tournament selections, 53 SEC Academic Honor Roll selections, eight CoSIDA District Academic All-American candidates, a two-time CoSIDA Academic All-American and SEC Scholar Athlete of the Year in Ashley Smith, and most recently an SEC All-Freshman team selection in Jessica Josker.

Much of Compton's success comes from her fine tuning of the defensive aspect of the game. Compton's coaching philosophy centers around the notion that offense wins games, but defense wins championships. Throughout her career, Compton has become accustomed to winning championships.

During the glorious 1997 season, USC won a Division I record 38-straight games, the SEC regular season and tournament championships, a fourth consecutive appearance in the NCAA Tournament, and the school's third appearance at the Women's College World Series. In 1989, the Gamecocks won the South Regional Championship, earning a trip to the Women's College World Series. Compton earned another trip to the Women's College World Series in 1983 when she skippered the Missouri



Tigers to the Midwest Regional Championship and their first Big Eight title.

For the success she has earned in the coaching ranks, Compton has earned several prestigious awards; In addition to her NFCA 2002 Hall of Fame induction, she has five Region Coach of the Year honors in 1987, 1989, 1994, 1995 and 1997 as well as the inaugural Southeastern Conference Coach of the Year award in 1997 and again in 2002.

Compton is the first to admit, however, that her success is a result of the players whom she has coached. That list of players reads like a Who's Who of Collegiate Softball players, including 11 different Carolina players who have achieved All-America status a total of 21 times. In 1997, pitcher Trinity Johnson garnered first-team All-America status while Tina Plew was named to the second team. It was the third consecutive year that Johnson was named an All-American. Johnson also was a Honda Award honoree and was named the 1997 SEC Female Athlete of the Year. In 2003 infielder Danielle Quinones was invited to the USA National team tryouts, a first for a Carolina player since 1999.

"I have been lucky to have talented players, as well as having fine assistant coaches, to work with," stated Compton. "They are directly responsible for any success which I am able to obtain as a coach."

Compton's collegiate coaching career began in 1975 at Mattatuck Community College in Waterbury, Connecticut. For her efforts, Compton was named Coach of the Year in Mattatuck's conference an unprecedented five

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times. Compton also coached the women's basketball and volleyball teams at Mattatuck.

After seven seasons at Mattatuck, Compton was named head softball coach at the University of Missouri in 1983. Her career at Missouri was highlighted by an overall record of 115-77 and a berth in the Women's College World Series. While at Missouri, Compton became the all-time winningest coach in MU history, a record which stood until the 1991 season.

In 1987, after four straight winning seasons, Compton made the move from Columbia, Missouri, to Columbia, South Carolina, becoming the Gamecocks' fifth head coach in 13 years.

Immediately, Compton instilled her winning system into the Gamecock program, which has been the basis of Gamecock softball and its successful legacy.

Compton is a member of the National Fastpitch Coaches Association, and she has served on various NFCA and NCAA Committees.

Before becoming a softball coach, Compton was successful as a player as well. While earning all-star status at Trenton State College, she became a member of the nationally known Raybestos Brakettes amateur team from 1973-1975. While playing first base, Compton led the team to three consecutive national championships and an international championship as well. Her numbers were almost as impressive as her coaching record, posting an overall batting average of .388 and knocking in 142 runs.

Compton furthered her playing career as a member of the Connecticut Falcons, a professional softball team. All-star honors were earned when she batted .355 during the regular season and .300 in World Series play in 1978. While playing first base for the Falcons, she led the team to four World Series Championships in the Women's Professional Softball League. Compton also accompanied the team to China to perform exhibitions and clinics for the Chinese softball players.

During her playing career, Compton established herself as one of the most dominant offensive performers in the nation. For three consecutive years, from 1976-78, she was the RBI Champion in the Women's Professional League.

The success that Compton has achieved has not gone unnoticed by her coaching peers either.

"Joyce's teams are always well coached and well disciplined," stated Yvette Girouard, Head Coach at Louisiana State. "I have a tremendous amount of respect for the job she has done at South Carolina."

Coach Compton is a winner. From a small college in Connecticut, to the University of Missouri, to the University of South Carolina, she has left her mark on them all. Three different programs, but one common denominator — success!

The Joyce Compton File

Born: Trenton, New Jersey

High School Education: Allentown High School, 1968

College Education: Trenton State College, 1972, B.S. Physical Education

College Softball: Trenton State College, 1968-72

Amateur Softball: Raybestos Brakettes, 1973-75

Professional Softball: Connecticut Falcons, 1976-79

Coaching Career: 1973-74, Piscataway H.S.; 1976-82, Mattatuck Community College; 1983-86, University of Missouri; 1987-present, University of South Carolina.

Coaching Highlights: 2002 NFCA Hall of Fame inductee ... 2002 SEC Co-Coach of the Year ... Is Carolina's all-time winningest coach ... 1997 SEC Coach of the Year ... 1997, 1995 and 1994 Southeast Region Coach of the Year ... 1989 and 1987 South Region Coach of the Year... 1983 Midwest Region Coach of the Year ... 14 NCAA Regional Appearances (1982-83-88-89-94-95-96-97-99-00-01-02-03-04) ... Three College World Series Appearances (1989 and 1997 at South Carolina and 1983 at Missouri) ... 2000 SEC Tournament Champions ... 1997, 1999, 2001 and 2002 SEC Eastern Division Champions

Compton's Collegiate Record

Year	School	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.	Highlights
1976-82	Mattatuck	93	19	0	.830	Five-time Coach of the Year
1983	Missouri	40	13	0	.755	Women's College World Series
1984	Missouri	21	18	0	.538	
1985	Missouri	29	23	0	.558	
1986	Missouri	25	23	0	.521	Fourth Consec. Winning Season
1987	South Carolina	34	14	0	.708	South Region Coach of the Year
1988	South Carolina	47	14	0	.770	NCAA Regionals
1989	South Carolina	46	12	0	.793	World Series Trip/Coach of the Year
1990	South Carolina	49	14	0	.778	South Region Top 3
1991	South Carolina	51	13	0	.797	South Region Top 3
1992	South Carolina	54	14	0	.794	Final National Ranking - 15th
1993	South Carolina	36	21	1	.629	Notched her 500th Career Win
1994	South Carolina	52	17	0	.754	Region Coach of the Year/NCAA's
1995	South Carolina	53	21	0	.716	Region Coach of the Year/NCAA's
1996	South Carolina	38	13	0	.745	Final National Ranking - 10th/NCAA's
1997	South Carolina	63	5	0	.926	WCWS/ SEC Championship/Final Ranking - 7th
1998	South Carolina	36	21	0	.632	South Region Top 10
1999	South Carolina	49	21	0	.700	800th Career Win/NCAA's/Final Ranking - 14th
2000	South Carolina	41	28	0	.594	SEC Tourn. Champs/NCAA's/Final Ranking - 22nd
2001	South Carolina	40	20	1	.665	SEC East Champs/NCAA's/Final Ranking - 23rd
2002	South Carolina	46	20	0	.697	900th Career Win/SEC East Champs/NCAA's/Final Ranking - 12th
2003	South Carolina	41	20	0	.672	NCAA's/Final Ranking 21st/24th
2004	South Carolina	28	24	0	.538	NCAA Regionals/1,000th Career Win/900th DI Win
2005	South Carolina	28	28	1	.500	
2006	South Carolina	28	30	0	.482	
Mattatuck C.C.		93	19	0	.830	
Missouri		115	77	0	.599	Missouri's First Big 8 Title
South Carolina		860	370	3	.699	All-Time Winningest Coach
OVERALL (31 years)		1,068	466	3	.696	29 Consecutive Winning Seasons





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Compton Versus All Opponents

Adelphi.....	1-0	Hawaii.....	0-2	Penn State.....	2-0
Akron.....	1-0	Hofstra.....	7-0	Pittsburgh.....	3-0
Alabama.....	14-16	Illinois-Chicago.....	4-2	Princeton.....	9-0
Arizona.....	2-5	Illinois State.....	3-3	Purdue.....	2-0
Arizona State.....	2-6	Indiana.....	6-0	Radford.....	1-0
Arkansas.....	19-8	Indiana State.....	1-0	Rhode Island.....	2-0
Auburn.....	18-12	Iona.....	2-0	Robert Morris.....	3-0
Austin Peay.....	1-0	Iowa.....	2-2	Rutgers.....	2-0
Ball State.....	2-0	Iowa State.....	3-1	St. Mary's.....	1-0
Baptist.....	7-0	Jacksonville.....	0-1	Sam Houston.....	5-1
Baylor.....	2-0	Kansas.....	2-1	Samford.....	4-1
Bethune Cookman.....	0-1	Kent State.....	2-0	San Diego State.....	1-0
Boston.....	1-0	Kentucky.....	26-10	Seton Hall.....	1-0
Boston College.....	2-1	Louisiana State.....	10-20	South Dakota State.....	1-0
Bradley.....	2-0	Louisiana Tech.....	5-17	South Florida.....	20-7
Cal Poly Pomona.....	0-2	Louisville.....	1-0	Southeastern Louisiana.....	2-0
Cal Pol SLO.....	1-0	Maine.....	3-0	Southern Illinois.....	3-0
Cal-Santa Barbara.....	1-2	Marshall.....	0-1	Southern Mississippi.....	3-0
Cal State-Fullerton.....	0-3	Maryland.....	4-1	Southwest Missouri.....	1-1
Cal State-Long Beach.....	0-1	Massachusetts.....	4-0	Southwest Texas State.....	1-0
Cal State-Northridge.....	3-2	McNeese State.....	1-0	Southwestern Louisiana (ULL).....	4-20
Campbell.....	8-0	Memphis.....	1-0	Stanford.....	0-1-1
Canisius.....	2-0	Mercer.....	1-0	Stephen F. Austin.....	1-0
Centenary.....	3-0	Miami (Ohio).....	1-0	Stetson.....	3-0
Central Michigan.....	7-3	Michigan.....	6-5	Syracuse.....	0-2
Charleston Southern.....	2-0	Michigan State.....	1-0	Temple.....	3-0
Charlotte.....	28-2	Middle Tennessee State.....	1-0	Tennessee.....	15-17
Coastal Carolina.....	39-5	Minnesota.....	2-0	Tennessee-Chattanooga.....	2-0
College of Charleston.....	4-0	Mississippi.....	18-6	Tennessee Tech.....	3-1
Colgate.....	1-0	Mississippi State.....	19-12	Texas.....	1-0
Connecticut.....	4-0	Missouri.....	2-0	Texas A&M.....	9-10
Coppin State.....	2-0	Nebraska.....	2-5	Texas-Arlington.....	2-0
Creighton.....	3-0	New Mexico.....	1-1	Texas Tech.....	0-2
Dayton.....	1-0	New Mexico State.....	2-1	Toledo.....	9-1
DePaul.....	0-2	Nicholls State.....	10-5	Troy State.....	1-0
Detroit.....	1-0	North Carolina-Chapel Hill.....	47-10	U.S. International.....	0-1
East Carolina.....	15-1	North Carolina Greensboro.....	6-1	UAB.....	1-0
Eastern Kentucky.....	2-1	North Carolina State.....	1-0	UCLA.....	2-7
Eastern Michigan.....	4-3	North Carolina Wilmington.....	4-0	UNLV.....	3-4
East Tennessee.....	3-0	North Dakota State.....	1-0	Utah.....	3-2
Florida.....	22-21	Northwest Louisiana.....	4-0	Utah State.....	1-2
Florida Atlantic.....	4-1	Northern Illinois.....	3-0	Virginia.....	25-5
Florida A&M.....	2-0	Northwestern.....	1-2	Virginia Tech.....	4-5
Florida State.....	20-19	Northwestern Louisiana.....	3-1	Washington.....	4-5
Fordham.....	0-1	Notre Dame.....	5-3	Western Illinois.....	2-1
Fresno State.....	1-3	Ohio.....	4-0	Western Michigan.....	4-0
Furman.....	49-8-1	Ohio State.....	2-1	Wichita State.....	2-0
Gardner-Webb.....	1-0	Oklahoma.....	4-1	Winthrop.....	25-1-1
George Mason.....	3-0	Oklahoma City.....	3-0	Wisconsin.....	1-0
Georgia.....	21-18	Oklahoma State.....	2-5	Wright State.....	3-0
Georgia Southern.....	40-0	Oregon.....	0-2	Yale.....	1-0
Georgia State.....	33-5	Oregon State.....	1-2	Youngstown State.....	2-0
Georgia Tech.....	21-0	Pacific.....	1-0		

All-Americans Under Compton

1983	Karen Sweet	Missouri	1992	Tiff Tootle	S. Carolina
	Teresa Wilson	Missouri	1993	Tiff Tootle	S. Carolina
1987	Karen Sanchelli	S. Carolina	1995	Dana Fulmer	S. Carolina
1988	Gretchen Koenig	S. Carolina		Trinity Johnson	S. Carolina
	Karen Sanchelli	S. Carolina		Tina Plew	S. Carolina
1989	Michelle Delloso	S. Carolina	1996	Trinity Johnson	S. Carolina
	Tricia Popowski	S. Carolina		Chanda Lee	S. Carolina
1990	Michelle Delloso	S. Carolina	1997	Trinity Johnson	S. Carolina
	Tricia Popowski	S. Carolina		Tina Plew	S. Carolina
1991	Michelle Delloso	S. Carolina	1999	Kim Pietro	S. Carolina
	Tricia Popowski	S. Carolina		Megan Matthews	S. Carolina
	Tiff Tootle	S. Carolina			



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JOYCE COMPTON: HALL OF FAME

"Joyce exemplifies all that is right in the sport of fastpitch. I not only consider her a great coach, but more importantly, an exceptional friend. She is the person that you call when you need an honest opinion. She epitomizes the definition of INTEGRITY."

- Michelle Dellosa, USC Class of 1991



On December 6, 2002, South Carolina Head Coach Joyce Compton was inducted into the National Fastpitch Coaches Association Hall of Fame. Compton became the NFCA's 27th inductee into the Hall of Fame and joined fellow softball greats Linda Wells, the Greek National Coach, USA Olympic Coach and University of Arizona head coach Mike Candrea and Sharon Drysdale, director of National Fastpitch Coaches College.

"I think one of the things that always impressed me most about Coach is her confidence about softball. When you play for her, you constantly feel her confidence and passion for the game and that alone drives her players to reach her level of expectation for how the game should be played."

- Beth Collett, USC Class of 1996

Carrying on the Gamecock Tradition ...

Carolina Head Coach Joyce Compton has tutored many fine athletes during her tenure at South Carolina. Many of these players have continued to play softball after their collegiate careers were over.

But there is large contingent of former Gamecocks using their skills as coaches.

Former All-American Karen Johns is the head coach at Virginia, while Carie Dever-Boaz, a former USC assistant coach under Coach Compton, joins Johns' staff as an assistant. Dever-Boaz and second year Kentucky Head Coach Eileen Schmidt were assistants under Compton from 1993-95.

Former Carolina pitching standout Megan Matthews continues on the coaching path as an assistant at Florida State.

With the number of Division I coaches that have learned under Coach Compton, it is clear to see the vast impact Coach Compton has had on the softball community.

Compton's Legacy

Holly Aprile (Assistant Coach)	Asst. Coach Pittsburgh
Adrianna Baggetta (1999-02)	Assistant Coach South Carolina
Carie Dever-Boaz (Asst. Coach)	Assistant Coach Virginia
Kim Evans (2000-03)	Head Coach USC-Sumter
Karen Johns (1985-88)	Head Coach Virginia
Megan Matthews (1999-02)	Asst. Coach Florida St.
Michelle Phalen (Missouri 1985-88)	Head Coach Pittsburgh
Eileen Schmidt (Assistant Coach)	Head Coach Kentucky
Tiff Tootle (1991-93)	Head Coach Columbus St.
Teresa Wilson (Missouri '80-'83)	Head Coach Texas Tech

Compton's Accolades

University of South Carolina, Columbia, S.C.

- Head Coach, 1987-present
- Overall Record: 1,068-466-3, .696
- USC's All-time winningest coach
- SEC Coach of the Year: 1997, 2002
- Southeast Region Coach of the Year: 1994, 1995, 1997
- South Region Coach of the Year: 1987, 1989
- SEC Regular season and Tournament Champions: 1997
- SEC Eastern Division Champions: 2001, 2002
- SEC Tournament Champions: 1997, 2000
- 14 All-Americans, Including a Honda Award Winner
- 12 NCAA Regional Appearances: 1988, 1989, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004
- 2 Women's College World Series Appearances: 1989, 1997

University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo.

- Head Coach, 1983-86
- Overall Record: 115-77
- First Big Eight Title: 1983
- Midwest Region Coach of the Year: 1983
- Women's College World Series: 1983

Mattatuck Community College, Waterbury, Conn.

- Head Coach, 1976-82
- Overall Record: 93-19
- Five Time Coach of the Year

As a player

- Professional Softball, Connecticut Falcons, 1976-79
- Played First Base
- Four World Series Championships in the Women's Pro Softball League
- Batted .355 during regular season and .300 in World Series play, 1978
- RBI Champion of the Women's Pro SB League, 1976-78





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Angela Thompson

Assistant ♦ Coach



The Angela Thompson File

Born: July 27, 1973 in Nashville, Tenn.
High School Education: Nashville Christian School, 1991
College Education: Bachelor of Science in Public Relations, Austin Peay, 1995; Master of Science, Middle Tennessee State, 1998
College Softball: Ranked in the top 10 in lowest ERA in the nation and most strikeouts 1993-94; Ohio Valley Conference Pitcher of the Year in 1993.
Coaching Career: Assistant Coach-Middle Tennessee State, 1997-99; Assistant Coach-Alabama-Birmingham, 2000; Assistant Coach-South Carolina, 2000-present.

Hall of Fame coaches are no stranger to the South Carolina staff. Seventh-year assistant Angela Thompson was named to her alma mater, Austin Peay's Hall of Fame in January 2005. Recognized as the best pitcher ever to play for the Lady Gobs, Thompson became only the second softball player to be inducted into the APSU Hall of Fame.

Thompson serves as the Gamecocks pitching coach and under her guidance, South Carolina has thrown seven no hitters with former standouts Megan Matthews, Stacey Johnson and Aleca Johnson all accomplishing the feat. In her six-year coaching span, her pitchers have compiled a 211-143-2 record. Also, she has had four pitchers rank among South Carolina's all-time leaders in strikeouts, wins, appearances, shutouts and saves.

Under Thompson, Stacey Johnson won 17 games as a freshman in 2001, while in 2002, Aleca Johnson posted a 9-2 record as a freshman, including earning a win over then No. 1 UCLA in the NCAA Regionals.

This season, Thompson returns veteran Kate Pouliot and adds two new pitchers to her staff in Krystle Robinson and Melissa Hendon.

"Angela is very knowledgeable in working with pitchers and we have the consistency, which is important to the pitching staff," said head coach Joyce Compton. "Our pitchers have continued to show improvement under Angela."

Thompson came to Carolina from the University of Alabama-Birmingham where she helped start the program. At UAB, she coached a freshman pitcher to second-team Conference USA honors.

Before coming to UAB, Thompson coached for three seasons at Middle Tennessee State University. At MTSU, she coached freshman Jennifer Martinez to Pitcher of the Year honors, as well as Freshman of the Year honors in the Ohio Valley Conference in 1999. Thompson's pitcher was ranked in the top 10 in the

nation for lowest ERA and strikeouts during the 1999 season.

Thompson honed her skills with two of the top pitching coaches in the nation, Gary Martineau and Cheri Kempf of Nashville, Tenn. She has worked at numerous camps in the Southeast including the USA Gold Medal Camps with Ralph Weekly, as well as numerous college camps.

The Nashville, Tenn., native did her undergraduate work at Austin Peay University, graduating in 1995. Thompson received her Master of Science degree from Middle Tennessee State in 1998.

As a player, Thompson still holds many Austin Peay and Ohio Valley Conference pitching records. She was ranked in the top 10 in the nation in ERA and strikeouts in 1993-94, while earning OVC Pitcher of the Year honors in 1993. She also traveled to Illinois to play against top competition in the women's majors in 1993 and 1994.





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Adrianna Baggetta

Assistant ♦ Coach



The Adrianna Baggetta File

Born: September 7, 1980

High School Education: Chantilly H.S., 1998

College Education: Bachelor of Science in Sport and Entertainment Management, South Carolina, 2002

College Softball: South Carolina, 1999-2002

Coaching Career: Volunteer Coach-South Carolina, 2003; Assistant Coach-South Carolina, 2004-present.

Former Gamecock softball player Adrianna Baggetta enters her fourth year as an assistant coach. Baggetta served as the volunteer coach in 2003 and was promoted to assistant coach in July 2003. Baggetta assists in all aspects of coaching and works primarily with the catchers.

"It is good for the program to have a former player as a member of our staff," said head coach Joyce Compton. "Having Adrianna move from a volunteer to an assistant provides continuity within the program. Her knowledge of the game and of the University as both a player and a coach are valuable to the program."

As a player, the Chantilly, Va., native was named to the 2002 All-SEC second team and the 2002 SEC All-Tournament team. Baggetta played infield, outfield and catcher during her career. In 2002, she led the team in hitting with a .353 average, tied for home runs with six and led in slugging percentage with .573. Against Tennessee in 2002, she became the fourth player in Gamecock history to hit two home runs in a single game.

Baggetta also closed out her career ranked 10th on Carolina's all-time list for walks with 52. Baggetta graduated from the University of South Carolina in Dec. 2002 with a degree in sport and entertainment management and a minor in business administration.



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**Val
Sheley**
Senior
Associate
AD/SWA

Val Sheley, who has experience as a former student-athlete, coach, athletics director and several other administrative areas, including compliance, academics and student-athlete development, is in her third year as senior associate athletics director and senior woman administrator. Her responsibilities include administration of seven sports and the NCAA compliance office.

Her athletics career started in 1988 when she served as head of men's and women's track and field, then added the responsibilities of assistant athletics director/senior woman administrator at UNC-Asheville. From there, she went to the NCAA office working as a legislative assistant for the national organization.

Sheley is in her second stint with South Carolina during her college athletics career, having served as an associate athletics director for NCAA compliance at the school from 1995 to 2000.

In 2000, she left USC to become athletics director at Presbyterian College, where she oversaw the school's 13 athletics programs and facility improvements for three years. During 2003-04, Sheley served as the interim associate athletics director for academic support and career development at Maryland.

Sheley has a bachelor's degree from Murray State, where she excelled as a track and field athlete. She earned a master's from Houston and is a graduate of the Sports Management Institute.

Sheley was a 1984 Olympic qualifier in track and field for Great Britain. Her husband, Mike, was a track and field All-American and NCAA relay champion at South Carolina.



**Billy
Anderson**
Strength &
Conditioning

Billy Anderson enters his 14th season as strength coach to the Gamecock softball program. Anderson also works with the baseball team along with men's and women's golf. Anderson began working in 1992 at South Carolina as a graduate assistant and has been a full-time member of the strength staff since 1994.

Anderson is certified by the United States American Weightlifting Association (USAWA) as well as the Collegiate Strength and Conditioning Coaches Association (CSCCA) and the National Association of Speed and Explosion (NASE)

A native of Stratford, Conn., Anderson received his bachelor of science degree in Health Fitness from Springfield (Mass.) College.

While at Springfield, Anderson ran track all four years and is still the record holder in the 800 meter run. He was the junior and senior Athlete of the Year at Springfield as his team was the ECAC champions both years. In 1991, Anderson finished eighth in the 800 meter run at the NCAA Division II Indoor Championships.

A 1987 graduate of Bunnell High School in Stratford, Conn., Anderson was an all-state performer in football and track.

Anderson and his wife, the former Tish Fellers, were married July 22, 2000. They have a son, Kaden Ellis.



**Robert
Campbell**
Academic
Advisor

Robert Campbell joined South Carolina's Athletic Department in January of 2007. Campbell serves as the Academic Advisor for football and softball.

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 a bachelor's and masters degree in sport administration.



**Dawn
Ellerbe**
Marketing
Director/
Varsity
Sports

Dawn Ellerbe is in her second season as Marketing Director of Varsity Sports.

A Carolina alum, she received her Bachelor's degree in journalism in 1996 with an emphasis on advertising. Ellerbe was a member of USC's inaugural women's track and field team and was a four-time NCAA Champion, six-time All American and five-time SEC Champion for the Gamecocks. Ellerbe earned a Master's degree in communications from the University of Wyoming and competed for the United States Track and Field team at the 2000 Sydney Olympic Games, finishing seventh.

From 1997-2000, Ellerbe coached at the University of Wyoming in six NCAA Championships and developed eight All-Americans and three Mountain West champions. Ellerbe served as a Volunteer Assistant Track and Field Coach from 2001-2004 at South Carolina and was a member of the Home Depot's Olympic Job Opportunities program where she coordinated in-store promotions, workshops and served as spokesperson for Home Depot at national events.

Prior to joining USC in June 2005, Ellerbe worked at Carolina's Colonial Center in marketing and public relations.

The Long Island, N.Y. native is a member of PRSA and NACWAA.



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**Erin
Hallman**
Athletic
Trainer

Erin Hallman is the assistant athletic trainer for women's volleyball and softball. She obtained her Bachelor of Science degree from South Carolina in physical education, concentrating in athletic training, in May 2005 with honors, cum laude. Hallman acquired her Master of Science degree in sport psychology and the University of Tennessee in December 2006. While at Tennessee, she worked with the Lady Volunteers volleyball program. During her two years with the team she accompanied them to two post-season NCAA tournament appearances, one of which was the volleyball semi-finals in 2005.

A native of Gilbert, S.C., Hallman is engaged to Scott Thomas, an athletic trainer at Batesburg-Leesville High School. They are getting married in June 2007.



**Brad
Heller**
Broadcaster

Brad Heller joined Gamecock Athletics in October 2006. Heller is the radio play-by-play voice for South Carolina women's basketball, in addition to calling Gamecock softball.

A 2000 graduate of Syracuse University, Heller has worked in several different capacities. He has done football, men's basketball and women's basketball play-by-play for the Northeast-10, East Coast and Central Atlantic Collegiate Conferences, along with fill-in play-by-play duties for broadcasts on the ISP Sports Network. He has also written and performed on-air sports updates for Bloomberg Radio and Sirius NFL Radio.

Heller also served as the play-by-play announcer for Syracuse's men's basketball, football and lacrosse broadcasts for student-run WAER radio while in college. He also handled some duties for select Colgate University teams.



**Kelly
Lewis**
Event
Management

Kelly Lewis begins her 13th year with Gamecock Athletics. Lewis manages the daily operations and facilities for softball.

Lewis was the event coordinator for the 1999 NCAA Women's Golf East Regional and served as USC's coordinator for the 1997-2001 SEC women's basketball tournaments. She also worked as an event coordinator for the 1997 NCAA Women's Basketball East Regional held at the Carolina Coliseum.

Lewis earned her Master's degree in sports administration at Eastern Kentucky University in 1994. During graduate school, Lewis worked as a sports administration intern, a teaching graduate assistant in the physical education department and worked as an assistant coach with the volleyball team.

Prior to graduate school, Lewis taught physical education in Aiken and Kershaw counties. A native of Aiken, S.C., Lewis received a Bachelor of Science in physical education in 1982 from USC-Aiken where she also coached volleyball and basketball.



**Ayanna
Wakefield**
Media
Relations

Ayanna Wakefield is in her sixth year with Gamecock softball, after joining the athletics department in February of 2002. Wakefield also manages publicity duties for the equestrian and swimming and diving programs, and is the media credentials coordinator for football.

From 2003-05, she spearheaded the local campaign for Cockey, as he was named Capital One's National Mascot of the Year in '03.

Wakefield joined the Gamecocks after working one year at the Atlanta Convention and Visitors Bureau. Prior to her tenure in the Peach State, she spent three years as assistant sports information director at Auburn University, where she worked with swimming, volleyball, softball and football.

Wakefield, a native of Edmond, Okla., is a 1997 graduate of the University of Oklahoma, where she earned her bachelor's degree in public relations. During her time at Oklahoma, she worked as a student assistant in the sports information office.



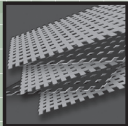
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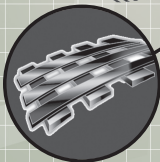


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