



SOUTH CAROLINA ATHLETICS

2020-21 REPORT

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2020-2021 YEAR IN REVIEW

23

ALL-AMERICANS

53

ALL-CONFERENCE HONOREES

GAMECOCKS IN THE NATIONAL POLLS

Women's Basketball: 4th
Beach Volleyball: 16th
Equestrian: 8th

Women's Golf: 4th
Women's Soccer: 16th
Women's Indoor Track and Field: 20th

Women's Outdoor Track and Field: 18th
Men's Tennis: 13th
Women's Tennis: 26th



A year removed from having a dream season cut short due to the outbreak of the Coronavirus, South Carolina women's basketball enjoyed another deep run in the NCAA tournament. The Gamecocks reached the national final, marking the third Final Four in the last six NCAA Tournaments. South Carolina finished second in the SEC but went on to win its sixth SEC Tournament in the last seven seasons. The Gamecocks will go into the 2021-22 season a streak of 168 weeks in the AP Top 25 Poll, the fourth-longest active streak in the nation.

INDIVIDUAL MAJOR AWARD WINNERS

ALIYAH BOSTON - WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Lisa Leslie Award
The Athletic National Player of the Year
SEC Defensive Player of the Year

LOIS KAYE GO - WOMEN'S GOLF

NCAA Elite 90 Award

PAULINE ROUSSIN-BOUCHARD - WOMEN'S GOLF

SEC Player of the Year

KALEN ANDERSON - WOMEN'S GOLF

SEC Coach of the Year

LAUREN CHANG - WOMEN'S SOCCER

SEC Scholar Athlete of the Year

MACKENZIE BOESEL - SOFTBALL

CoSIDA Academic All-American

TOBY SAMUEL - MEN'S TENNIS

ITA Carolina Region Rookie of the Year

JOSH GOFFI - MEN'S TENNIS

ITA Carolina Region Coach of the Year

EMMA SHELTON - WOMEN'S TENNIS

ITA Carolina Region Rookie of the Year

RACHEL GLENN - WOMEN'S TRACK

USTFCCA Regional Field Athlete of the Year



GAMECOCK GALA HONOREES



2020-21 PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Lois Kaye Go
Women's Golf



Kelsey Oh
Softball



Jack Parrott
Men's Golf

SEC H. BOYD MCWHORTER AWARD NOMINEES



Caroline Spence
Women's Swimming and Diving



Spencer Eason-Riddle
Football

SEC BRAD DAVIS COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD NOMINEES



Aliyah Boston
Women's Basketball



Pauline Roussin-Bouchard
Women's Golf



Daniel Rodrigues
Men's Tennis

ATHLETES OF THE YEAR



GAMECOCK GALA HONOREES



IMPACT TEAM OF THE YEAR

Women's Basketball

Thomas Farr
Baseball



NEW STUDENT-ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

Dylan Wonnum
Football



DODIE ACADEMIC MVP

Pauline Roussin-Bouchard
Women's Golf



FRESHMEN OF THE YEAR

Connor Thomson
Men's Tennis



Mackenzie Boesel
Softball



SCHOLAR ATHLETES OF THE YEAR

AJ Ross
Men's Swimming and Diving



Jaylin Dickerson
Football



GAMECOCK LEADERSHIP AWARD

Kenzie Maguire
Softball



GAMECOCK INSPIRATION AWARD



ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE



FALL HONOR ROLL

115^{* ^}

WINTER HONOR ROLL

83

SPRING HONOR ROLL

135^{*}

1ST-YEAR HONOR ROLL

127^{* ^}

** - Department Record // ^ - SEC Leader*

- Across the SEC's four academic honor roll lists, South Carolina totaled 460 student-athletes for the 2020-21 academic year. That total included department records for the Fall, Spring and First Year Honor Rolls. The Gamecocks led all SEC rivals for total honorees for the Fall Honor Roll (115) and First Year Honor Roll (127).
- Since 2015-16, South Carolina leads the Southeastern Conference in the number of SEC Academic Honor Roll recipients, with 2,435.
- The department saw four individuals earn Academic All-America first-team honors, the most ever. Making the list for the 2020-21 academic year were Aliyah Boston (WBB), Mackenzie Boesel (Softball), Brett Kerry (Baseball) and Lois Kaye Go (Women's Golf)
- A total of 120 student-athletes participated in commencement exercises in May. Seventeen of the student-athletes earned their Master's degree and three students who returned to get their degree through the Carolina Degree Completion Program.
- The athletics department concluded the Spring 2021 semester with a departmental grade point average (GPA) of 3.369. It marked the department's third-highest GPA in history and the 29th-consecutive semester with a departmental GPA above 3.0. Sixteen of 18 teams earned a GPA of 3.0 or better during the spring semester.
- Four teams earned their second-highest GPA to date in the spring, including women's basketball (3.412), equestrian (3.615), women's soccer (3.814), and women's swimming & diving (3.735). Additionally, men's soccer (3.612) and beach volleyball (3.798) earned their third-highest team GPA on record while football (3.022) and women's tennis (3.736) earned their fourth-highest team GPA on record.
- The department named 95 student-athletes to the President's List for earning a 4.0, 179 student-athletes to the Dean's List (3.5) and 441 to the Athletic Director's Honor Roll (3.0).
- Gamecock athletics rank second in the Southeastern Conference in the NCAA Graduation Success Rate, released on Nov. 17. The GSR measures the number of scholarship student-athletes that graduate within a six-year period of their initial full-time enrollment. Men's Basketball, Men's Golf, Men's Track and Field, Men's Swimming and Diving, Women's Golf, Women's Soccer, Softball, Women's Swimming and Diving, Women's Tennis and Volleyball all had perfect GSR scores.

NATIONAL TEAM ACADEMIC AWARDS

BEACH VOLLEYBALL

American Volleyball Coaches Association Team Academic Award

WOMEN'S GOLF

Golf Coaches Association of America All-Academic Team

CROSS COUNTRY

United States Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) All-Academic Team

MEN'S TENNIS

Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) All-Academic Team

10th-Highest GPA in the Country

WOMEN'S TENNIS

Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) All-Academic Team

MEN'S GOLF

Golf Coaches Association of America All-Academic Team

VOLLEYBALL

American Volleyball Coaches Association Team Academic Award

Our student-athletes continue to do outstanding work in the classroom. 29 straight semesters of a departmental 3.0 GPA or better is an extraordinary achievement. I want to thank our Dodie Academic staff for their work in helping our student-athletes along the way.

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR RAY TANNER



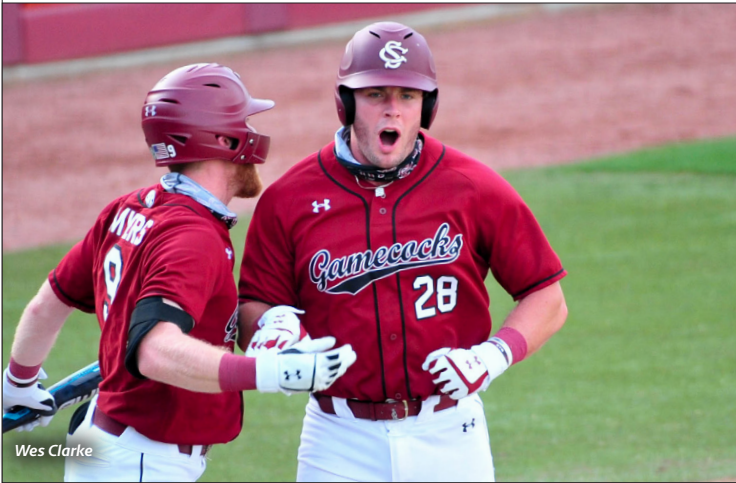
BASEBALL

Despite facing the second-toughest schedule in the country, the Gamecocks finished with 34 wins and hosted a NCAA regional. Among the 34 wins were 16 wins in SEC play, the second-highest total in the last five seasons.

OVERALL RECORD: 34-23
CONFERENCE: 16-14

SUCCESS ON THE FIELD

- **Wes Clarke** was named a Third Team All-American by Collegiate Baseball after leading the country for most of the season in home runs. Clarke ended the year with 23 round trippers to go along with a .271 batting average, 56 runs scored and 55 RBI.
- **Will Sanders** earned Freshman All-American honors by Collegiate Baseball after going 6-3 on the year with a 3.54 ERA and 54 strikeouts in 53.1 innings pitched. Sanders made 10 starts for the Gamecocks with 22 appearances and had three wins in SEC play.
- Both Clarke and Sanders earned honors from the SEC in 2021. Clarke was named All-SEC second team by the conference while Sanders was a Freshman All-SEC honoree.
- Carolina hosted the Columbia Regional in 2021, welcoming Old Dominion, Virginia and Jacksonville to Founders Park. Carolina was one of seven SEC schools to host a regional this season.
- The Gamecocks ended the season with the second-hardest strength of schedule, according to Warren Nolan. Carolina played the top four teams in the latest D1Baseball.com rankings and played the top four teams in the West Division of the SEC.
- **Brett Kerry** ended 2021 as one of the nation's best pitchers, going 5-1 with a 2.15 ERA and 84 strikeouts in 54.1 innings pitched. Kerry had big wins in 2021 against Vanderbilt and Tennessee and pitched a complete-game shutout against Kentucky on May 15.
- In the 2021 MLB draft, eight current members of the team and three 2021-22 signees were drafted. Kerry was the highest-drafted Gamecock, going to the Los Angeles Angels in the fifth round.



Wes Clarke



Brady Allen



Thomas Farr



Brett Kerry



COACHES AND SUPPORT STAFF

Mark Kingston	Head Coach
Trip Couch	Assistant Coach
Skylar Meade	Assistant Coach
Stuart Lake	Assistant Coach
Mike Current	Dir. of Player Development
Billy Anderson	Sports Performance Coach
Kent Reichert	Communications/PR Director



MEN'S BASKETBALL



AJ Lawson

- Junior guard **AJ Lawson** earned All-SEC Second-Team honors from the league coaches in early March. Lawson posted 18 double-figure scoring games in 2020-21, with 10 of those 20 points or more. He led the Gamecocks in scoring 11 times, and his 2.81 made 3-pointers per game was an SEC best and ranked 30th nationally.
- Junior forward **Keyshawn Bryant** and sophomore guard **Jermaine Cousinard** withdrew their names from the upcoming 2021 NBA Draft and will return to Carolina next season.
- Lawson became the 47th member of the Gamecock 1,000 point club versus Mississippi State on Feb. 6. He marked the sixth Gamecock to hit the mark under the direction of head coach **Frank Martin**.
- On March 19, it was announced that Martin was the recipient of the NABC Guardians of the Game Pillar Award for Inclusion. Martin will share the award with Kentucky head coach John Calipari and Harvard head coach Tommy Amaker.

After reaching double figures in scoring in 18 of the team's 21 total games, junior guard AJ Lawson earned a spot on the All-SEC second team, as voted by the conference's coaches. Lawson also reached 1,000 career points as a Gamecock during the season.

OVERALL RECORD: 6-15
CONFERENCE: 4-11

SUCCESS ON THE COURT



Keyshawn Bryant



COACHES AND SUPPORT STAFF

Frank Martin	Head Coach
Will Bailey	Assistant Coach
Chuck Martin	Assistant Coach
Bruce Shingler	Assistant Coach
Andy Assaley	Director of Operations
Scott Greenawalt	Sports Performance Coach
Doug Edwards	Student-Athlete Development
Brian Steele	Director of Video Services
John Reynolds	Special Assistant to Head Coach
Mark Rodger	Athletic Trainer
Emily Miles	Communications/PR Director
Susan Hooks	Administrative Assistant



WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

South Carolina won its sixth SEC title in the last seven seasons and advanced to the NCAA Final Four for the third time in the last six NCAA Tournaments, finishing the season with a 26-5 record and ranked No. 6 in the AP Poll and No. 4 in the USA Today Coaches' Poll.

OVERALL RECORD: 26-5
CONFERENCE: 14-2

SUCCESS ON THE COURT



Aliyah Boston



Zia Cooke



Destanni Henderson

- South Carolina advanced to the NCAA Final Four for the third time in the last six NCAA Tournaments, finishing the season with a 26-5 record and ranked No. 6 in the AP Poll and No. 4 in the USA Today Coaches' Poll.
- Sophomore **Zia Cooke** was named the NCAA Hemisfair Region Most Outstanding Player and earned a spot on the NCAA Final Four All-Tournament Team. Laeticia Amihere, **Aliyah Boston** and **Victoria Saxton** were named to the Hemisfair Region All-Tournament Team.
- Boston and Cooke picked up All-America honors with

- Boston a unanimous first team selection.
- Boston won the Lisa Leslie Center of the Year Award for the second time in as many seasons. She was also named National Player of the Year by The Athletic.
- Boston was named the CoSIDA Women's Basketball Academic All-American of the Year, the first in program history.
- South Carolina earned a No. 1 seed in the NCAA Tournament for the fifth time in the last eight seasons entering the event with a 22-4 record that included 13 games against nationally ranked opponents, the most in the country.
- The team is on a streak of being ranked in the AP Poll for 168 straight weeks, including 37 weeks in the top 10.
- The Gamecocks won their second-straight SEC Tournament title and their sixth in the last seven seasons. Boston was named Tournament MVP and was joined on the All-Tournament team by **Destanni Henderson** and **Cooke**.
- Boston was named SEC Defensive Player of the Year for the second time, sharing the honor this season after winning it outright as a freshman. She also repeated as an All-SEC First-Team selection.
- **Dawn Staley** is the head coach of the U.S. Olympic Team that will compete in the Tokyo games later this summer.

COACHES AND SUPPORT STAFF

Dawn Staley	Head Coach
Lisa Boyer	Associate Head Coach
Fred Chmiel	Assistant Coach
Jolette Law	Assistant Coach
Cynthia Jordan	Director of Operations
Freddy Ready	Director of Player Development
Payten Martin	Director of Recruiting Operations
Ariana Moore	Special Assistant to Head Coach
Hudson Jacobs	Director of Video Services
Molly Binetti	Sports Performance Coach
Craig Oates	Athletic Trainer
Diana Koval	Communications/PR Director
Dianne Palmer	Administrative Assistant





BEACH VOLLEYBALL

South Carolina's 23 wins in 2021 are tied for the second highest total in program history, and its 12 regular-season wins against conference opponents is a single-season record. The program carries a streak of 49 weeks in a row ranked nationally into the 2022 season.

OVERALL RECORD: 23-9
CONFERENCE: 12-5

SUCCESS ON THE SAND



Skylar Allen



Carly Schnieder



Jess Vastine

- The team's 23 wins are tied for the second highest total in program history, and its 12 regular-season wins against conference opponents is a single-season record. All nine of South Carolina's losses this season came against nationally ranked opponents. The Gamecocks' 14 total duals against ranked teams is the third-highest single-season total in program history.
- **Katie Smith** and **Skylar Allen** were named to the American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) second-team All-America squad. The duo are the first Gamecocks in program history to earn All-America status.
- Allen and Smith were also named the AVCA's National Pair of the Week on April 27, coming after the pair finished with a perfect 4-0 record at the CCSA conference tournament, including wins over the top pairs for No. 3 Florida State and No. 7 TCU.
- Allen and Smith finished the season 16-6 together on court one, with an 8-7 record against nationally ranked opponents. Only Cadie Bates and Shannon Williams in 2019 (17) have more single-season wins in the top pairing, but Allen and Smith's .727 win percentage is a program single-season record for playing on the top court.
- Individually, Allen ended the season with a 20-10 record on the top court. She is the first Gamecock to win 20 matches at No. 1 in a single season; the previous high was 17.
- Smith ends her career at South Carolina with 96 career dual wins and 99 career wins overall; both are program records.
- **Jess Vastine** and **Jordan Smith** ended the season sharing the team lead for individual wins with **Carly Schnieder**. The trio finished with 26, just one shy of matching the program's single season record.
- Smith's final record of 26-4 gives her a final win percentage of .867, a single-season record for the program.
- Schnieder and **Morgyn Greer** finished the season with a record of 23-5 as a pair. That is the third-highest single-season win total by a Gamecock pair in program history
- Schnieder leaves South Carolina with 92 career wins, the third-highest total in program history.



Katie Smith (50) and Jordan Smith (10)

COACHES AND SUPPORT STAFF

Moritz Moritz	Head Coach
RJ Abella	Assistant Coach/ Recruiting Coord.
Megan Widener	Volunteer Assistant Coach
Keith Scruggs	Sports Performance Coach
Jenn Herod	Athletic Trainer
Amanda Flansch	Graduate Student Trainer
Joe Kepler	Communications/PR Director
Taylor Ford	Academic Advisor
Madison Treece	Director of Operations



EQUESTRIAN

Despite the postseason being eliminated due to the Coronavirus outbreak in the spring, the team finished fourth in the final poll of the season and recorded three wins over teams ranked in the top five over the course of the regular season.

OVERALL RECORD: 7-5
CONFERENCE: 3-3

SUCCESS ON THE FIELD



Madison Sellman

- South Carolina finished fourth in the final National Collegiate Equestrian Association Team Rankings.
- **Caroline Gute** won the NCEA Reining Rider of the Year award. Gute and **McKenzie Duncan** both earned NCEA All-American First Team Reining honors, **Madeline Schaefer** earned NCEA All-American First Team Fences honors, **Jordan Allen** made the NCEA All-American Second Team for fences, **Madison Sellman** earned NCEA All-American Second Team Flat honors and **Louisa Brackett** made the All-America Honorable Mention team for fences.
- Schaefer was named the SEC Freshman Over Fences Rider of the Year, along with spots on the All-SEC and SEC All-Freshman Team. Fellow Freshman Jordan Allen was named All-SEC and the SEC All-Freshman Team on Fences.
- Also earning All-SEC spots were Gute (reining), Duncan (reining), Sellman (flat) and freshman **Natalie Vargo** (Freshman Team; horsemanship and reining).

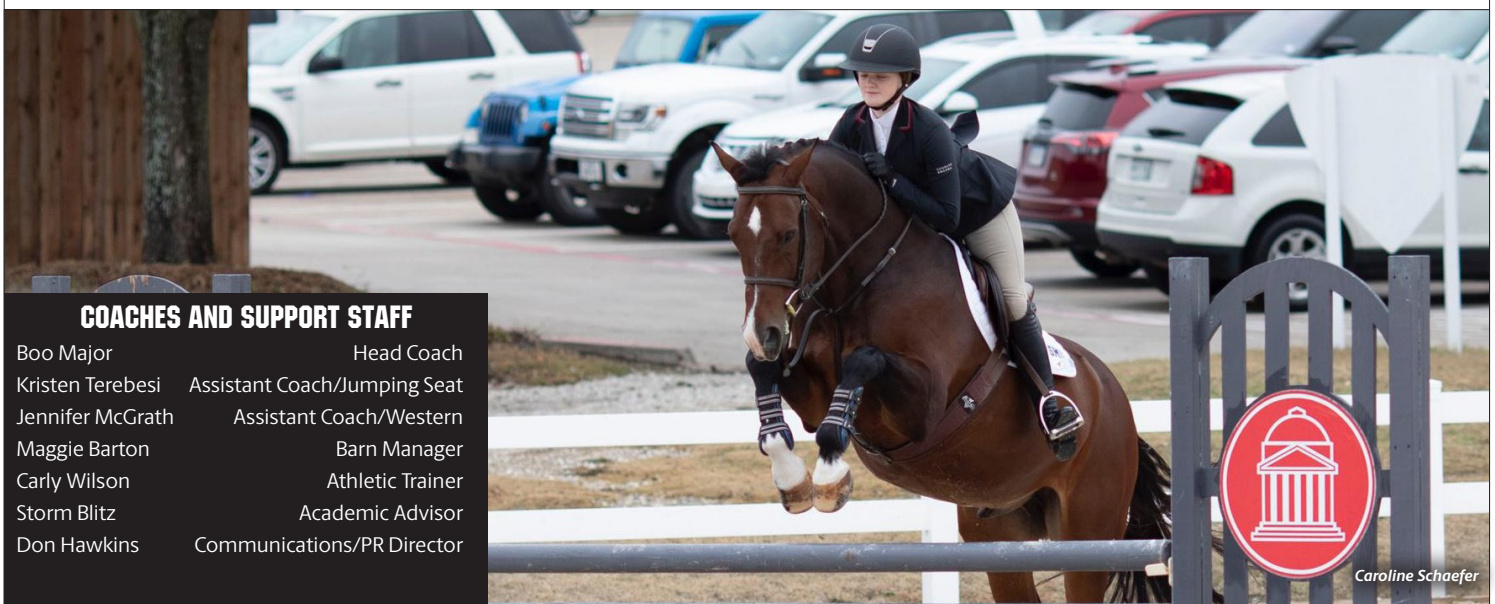


Caroline Gute



Jordan Allen

- Individual award winners included senior **Madelyne Herlocker** as a member of the SEC Community Service Team and Sellman, who was named SEC Scholar-Athlete of the Year.
- The Gamecocks defeated #2-ranked Texas A&M, 10-9, in College Station on Nov. 2, the first of three wins against teams ranked in the top five nationally during the year.
- Sophomore **Grady Lyman** earned the NCEA and SEC Flat Rider of the Month honors for November. She has earned Most Outstanding Player honors in three of four meets during the month of competition.



Caroline Schaefer

COACHES AND SUPPORT STAFF

Boo Major	Head Coach
Kristen Terebesi	Assistant Coach/Jumping Seat
Jennifer McGrath	Assistant Coach/Western
Maggie Barton	Barn Manager
Carly Wilson	Athletic Trainer
Storm Blitz	Academic Advisor
Don Hawkins	Communications/PR Director





FOOTBALL

South Carolina defeated #15 Auburn, 30-22, on Oct. 17, earned the Gamecocks' 3rd nationally ranked win in the last five years, and for the second year in a row. Jaycee Horn was named the Walter Camp National Defensive Player of the Week for his efforts in the upset (two interceptions).

OVERALL RECORD: 2-8
CONFERENCE: 2-8

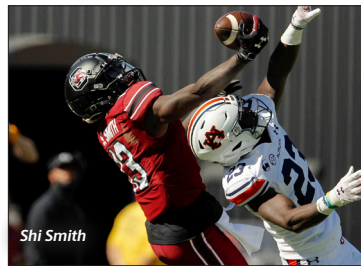
SUCCESS ON THE FIELD



Kevin Harris



Kingsley Enagbare



Shi Smith

- Carolina defeated #15 Auburn, 30-22, on Oct. 17, earned the Gamecocks 3rd nationally ranked win in the last five years, and for the second year in a row. Cornerback Jaycee Horn was named the Walter Camp National Defensive Player of the Week and the Co-SEC Defensive Player of the Week with a pair of interceptions and a deflected pass leading to a third interception.
- **Shi Smith** became the first player in South Carolina history to record back-to-back games with double figures in pass receptions after catching 10 passes against Tennessee and 12 at Florida. The 22 receptions over a two-game stretch is one shy of the school record of 23 receptions in consecutive games, set by Bryan Edwards last season, when he had 14 against Vanderbilt and followed that up with nine against Appalachian State.
- Senior placekicker **Parker White** was one of 67 Division I (FBS) student-athletes nominated for the 2020 Bursworth Trophy.
- Junior linebacker **Ernest Jones** was named one of 16 semifinalists for the Butkus Award, honoring the nation's best linebacker.
- Senior linebacker **Spencer Eason-Riddle** was named one of 20 semifinalists for the Jason Witten Collegiate Man of the Year Award, given annually to a player based on leadership, both on and off the playing field.
- **Kevin Harris (AP)** and **Kingsley Enagbare (Coaches)** were named first-team All-SEC. **Mohamed Kaba** and **Kai Kroeger** were named to the coaches' All-Freshman team.

COACHES AND SUPPORT STAFF

Will Muschamp	Head Coach
Mike Bobo	Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
Travaris Robinson	Defensive Coordinator/Defensive Backs
Kyle Krantz	Special Teams Coordinator/Asst. Defensive Backs
Bobby Bentley	Tight Ends
Joe Cox	Wide Receivers
Des Kitchings	Running Backs
Mike Peterson	Outside Linebackers
Rod Wilson	Linebackers
Tracy Rocker	Defensive Line
Eric Wolford	Offensive Line
George Wynn	Director - Football Operations
Kim Fields	Assistant to the Head Coach/Assistant Director of Operations
Caroline Rietkovich	Coordinator of Football Operations
Drew Hughes	Director of Player Personnel
Aaron Fierbaugh	Assistant Director of Player Personnel
Kristin Coggin	Director of Football Nutrition
Jessica Jackson	Director of On-Campus Recruiting
Jasmin Moses	Assistant Director of On-Campus Recruiting

Steve Fink	Assistant AD - Communications
Joe Lisle	Assistant AD - Video Services
Larry Waters	Director of Football Equipment and Apparel Operations
Shuler Hayes	Assistant Director - Football Equipment
Paul Jackson	Director of Strength and Conditioning
Scott Salvasser	Assistant Director of Strength and Conditioning
Jordan Sims	Assistant Director of Strength and Conditioning
Julian Whitehead	Head Football Athletic Trainer
Clint Haggard	Assistant Football Athletic Trainer
David Hart	Assistant Football Athletic Trainer
Kelsey Hounshell	Director of Rehabilitation
Rachel Sharpe	Director of High School Relations
Clyde Wrenn	Director of Character and Life Skills
Charles Jackson Jr.	Director - Football Creative Services
Zach Frehse	Graphic Designer
Jason Jeffers	Coordinator of Performance Analytics
Patrick Shine	Academic Advisor
Katie Christensen	Academic Advisor
Malone Silver	



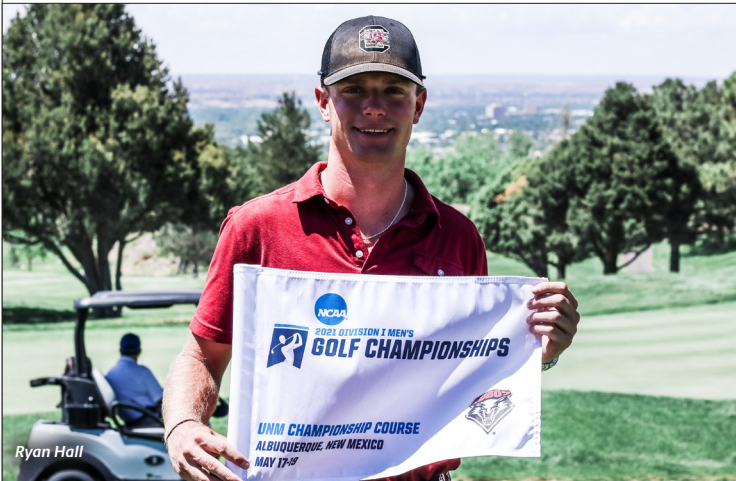
MEN'S GOLF

Ryan Hall made 15 birdies and a pair of eagles over the last three days of play to win the Albuquerque Regional of the NCAA tournament. He is just the third regional champion in program history.

SEC FINISH: 7TH
NCAA REGIONAL: 9TH

SUCCESS ON THE COURSE

- Junior **Ryan Hall** finished the season as the Gamecocks' highest ranked golfer, placing 13th in the Golfstat.com rankings. Hall participated in the NCAA Championships in Scottsdale, Arizona.
- Hall earned first-team All-America honors by PING and became the first Gamecock player ever to compete in the Arnold Palmer Cup for the U.S. Team.
- Boosted by the individual title from Hall, the Gamecocks placed ninth overall at the Albuquerque Region of the NCAA tournament. Hall is the third regional champion in program history; the last was Kyle Thompson, who won regionals twice as a Gamecock in 1999 and 2001.
- Carolina made the match-play portion (top 8) of the SEC Championships before falling to Alabama in the first round. In the stroke play portion of the tournament, **Jamie Wilson** was the Gamecocks leading golfer, placing tied for 5th with an even-par 210.
- The Gamecocks had their best finish of the spring, placing third at the LSU Invitational. The team placed five shots behind winner No. 6 Illinois and No. 19 Vanderbilt (second place). Hall led the team with a 218, two over par, and placed tied for fourth.
- The Gamecocks finished 4th in the all-SEC Blessings Collegiate Invitational, held in Fayetteville, Ark. Senior **Caleb Proveaux** was the team's top finisher, placing tied for 6th with a three-round score of 214, two under par.



Ryan Hall



COACHES AND SUPPORT STAFF

Bill McDonald	Head Coach
Ben Dietrich	Assistant Coach
Billy Anderson	Sports Performance Coach
Michael DeBates	Communications/PR Director



WOMEN'S GOLF



Pauline Roussin-Bouchard

Sophomore Pauline Roussin-Bouchard became the fourth Gamecock ever to win the SEC Championship. Her record-breaking 17-under (199) score earned her the fifth individual SEC Championship win in program history.

SEC CHAMPIONSHIP: 2ND
NCAA REGIONAL: 6TH
NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP: 13TH

SUCCESS ON THE COURSE



- The Gamecocks placed 13th in the NCAA Women's Golf Championships in Scottsdale, Arizona, May 21-24. Sophomore **Pauline Roussin-Bouchard** was the Gamecocks' individual leader, placing 20th.
- The Gamecocks were 4th in the final Golfstat.com team rankings while Roussin-Bouchard was 6th in the final individual rankings and senior **Ana Pelaez** placed 20th.
- Roussin-Bouchard and Pelaez were named first-team All-Americans by Golfweek. Both student-athletes participated in the Arnold Palmer Cup.
- Roussin-Bouchard became the fourth Gamecock to win the SEC Championship with her record-breaking 17-under (199) score. It is the fifth individual SEC Championship win in program history, and it was Roussin-Bouchard's fourth tournament win of the season.
- The Gamecocks finished the regular season as the top ranked team in the Golfstat, Golfweek and WGCA Coaches Poll.
- Carolina won four tournament this season, including three in the spring. Carolina won the Liz Murphey Collegiate Classic on March 19-21, the Valspar Augusta (Ga.) Invitational on March 13-14, the Moon Golf Invitational at Melbourne, Fla., on Feb. 14-16 and The Ally at Old Waverly in West Point, Miss., Oct. 19-21. Sophomore Pauline Roussin-Bouchard won the individual championship in three of the four tournaments.
- Roussin-Bouchard made the international team for the Arnold Palmer Cup, played June 11-13, at Rich Harvest Farms in Sugar Grove, Ill.



Lois Kaye Go

COACHES AND SUPPORT STAFF

Kalen Anderson	Head Coach
Kevin Williams	Assistant Coach
Billy Anderson	Sports Performance Coach
Don Hawkins	Communications/PR Director



MEN'S SOCCER

In Conference USA play, sophomore Brian Banahan led the league in points (16) and goals (7) and was second in shots (40). As a team, Carolina led C-USA in goals (29) and was third in shots (173) for the year.

OVERALL RECORD: 8-7-1
CONFERENCE: 2-4-1

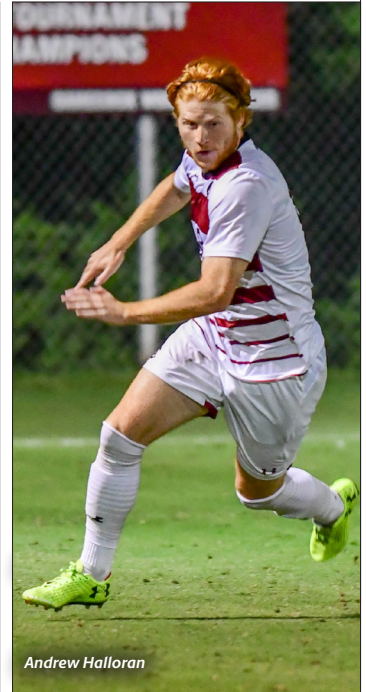
SUCCESS ON THE FIELD



Brian Banahan



Sekou Soumah



Andrew Halloran

- **Tony Annan** was named the head men's soccer coach on April 22. He becomes the second head coach in the history of Gamecock men's soccer. Mark Berson led the Gamecocks to 22 NCAA Tournaments and 35 winning seasons. He came to Columbia to start the program in the spring of 1978.
- In Conference USA play, **Brian Banahan** led the league in points (16) and goals (7) and was second in shots (40). As a team, Carolina led C-USA in goals (29) and was third in shots (173).
- **Andrew Halloran** was named Conference USA Offensive Player of the Week on Feb. 16. In 24 minutes of action off the bench vs. Winthrop, Halloran recorded his first-career hat trick to help lead Carolina to its first win of the spring season.
- **Christian Kraus** was named the Conference USA Offensive Player of the Week on April 6. He scored two goals against UAB in a 6-0 Gamecock victory.
- **Sekou Soumah** and Kraus were named to College Soccer News' Freshmen Making an Impact list for the fall 2020 season. Kraus played in all five games for the Gamecocks, scoring two goals on eight shots. Both goals were game-winning goals, a team best in 2020. Soumah started all five games, playing 421 minutes on the backline helping Carolina to three shutout victories.

- Following a 1-0 win over Mercer on Oct. 8, three Gamecocks earned national recognition for their efforts. Kraus was named to the College Soccer News Team of the Week, Soumah was selected to the TopDrawer Soccer Team of the Week and **Nick Brady** was a TopDrawer Soccer honorable mention.
- The Gamecocks were recognized with a United Soccer Coaches Team Academic Award, earning a team GPA of 3.0 or higher. It is the 15th time that Carolina has received the honor.



COACHES AND SUPPORT STAFF

Mark Berson	Head Coach
Justin Cook	Assistant Coach
Tyler Kettering	Assistant Coach
Keith Scruggs	Sports Performance Coach
Bryan Wells	Athletic Trainer
Storm Blitz	Academic Advisor
Patrick Osborne	Communications/PR Director



WOMEN'S SOCCER

The Gamecocks defeated No. 3 Arkansas 2-1 on the road on Oct. 16 for their second-highest-ranked win in program history (2007 vs. No. 1 North Carolina).

OVERALL RECORD: 11-5
SEC: 6-2

SUCCESS ON THE FIELD



Jyllissa Harris

- The Gamecocks qualified for the 2020-21 NCAA Tournament, the eighth-straight bid and 14th appearance overall. The team defeated Montana in the opening round of the postseason.
- The Gamecocks defeated No. 3 Arkansas 2-1 on the road on Oct. 16 for their second-highest-ranked win in program history (2007 vs. No. 1 North Carolina).
- Redshirt sophomore **Samantha Chang** represented the Canadian Senior National Team at the 2021 SheBelives Cup, earning her first cap and helping her home country to a win over Argentina.
- After graduating, **Anna Patten** signed a professional contract with Arsenal in Europe giving the Gamecocks 10 current professional soccer players around the world, the second most in the SEC currently.
- Coach **Shelley Smith** won her 300th match against Florida on Oct. 25. She currently has the fourth-most wins in SEC women's soccer history.
- Patten and **Jyllissa Harris** were named to the All-SEC First Team. **Lauren Chang** was named to the All-SEC Second Team for the third time in her career and **Catherine Barry** was named to the All-Freshman team.



Catherine Barry



Samantha Chang

- The Gamecocks reached the SEC Tournament Semifinals for the third-straight year after defeating Vanderbilt in the SEC Tournament quarterfinals by a score of 3-2.
- The team was named a United Soccer Coaches Team Academic Award recipient for the 18th time and 13th-straight year after posting a team GPA higher than 3.0.
- Samantha Chang was named the United Soccer Coaches and TopDrawerSoccer.com National Player of the Week along with being named to the College Soccer News' Team of the Week.



Anna Patten

COACHES AND SUPPORT STAFF

Shelley Smith	Head Coach
Jamie Smith	Associate Head Coach
Marnie Merritt	Assistant Coach
Alex Buchman	Sports Performance Coach
Stephanie Rosehart	Athletic Trainer
Taylor Ford	Academic Advisor
Trenten Gauthier	Communications/PR Director



SOFTBALL

The one-two punch of Mackenzie Boesel and Kenzie Maguire was one of the best in the nation. The infield duo both finished in the top five of the SEC for batting average, runs scored and on-base percentage. No other school in the conference had more than one individual in the top five of all three statistical categories.

OVERALL RECORD: 26-26
CONFERENCE: 4-20

SUCCESS ON THE FIELD

- South Carolina finished the 2021 season with a 26-26 overall record, playing 33 games against the NCAA Tournament field, compiling one of the toughest schedules in the nation. Carolina defeated NCAA teams Mississippi State, Florida, Tennessee, Auburn and Central Florida in 2021.
- Senior **Mackenzie Boesel** was named a National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) third-team All-American. She is the second Gamecock to earn All-America accolades under coach Beverly Smith.
- Boesel and fellow senior **Kenzie Maguire** were named to the NFCA All-Southeast Region Team. This is the second All-Region honor for both after Boesel was named to the third team in 2017 and Maguire was picked to the second team in 2018.
- Boesel was named to the All-SEC second team while Maguire earned All-SEC Defensive Team honors.
- South Carolina leads the SEC in fielding double plays and is second in the league in runners caught stealing.
- Maguire finished second in the SEC in batting average (.427) and was hit by pitch a league-leading 24 times. Boesel was fifth in the SEC in batting average (.416). South Carolina is the only SEC school with: two hitters in the top five for batting average, two players in the top five for runs scored, two hitters in the top five for on-base percentage.



Mackenzie Boesel



Kenzie Maguire



Leah Powell



COACHES AND SUPPORT STAFF

Beverly Smith	Head Coach
Lisa Navas	Associate Head Coach
Kaela Jackson	Assistant Coach
Heather Gelbard	Volunteer Assistant Coach
Katelyn Woolfolk	Sports Performance Coach
Kacey Friedman	Director of Operations
Mayleen Cordero Villamil	Athletic Trainer
Ed Lowery	Academic Advisor
Patrick Osborne	Communications/PR Director



MEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING



Guy Gropper

SEC FINISH: 10TH
NCAA FINISH: N/A

SUCCESS IN THE POOL

Italy



AJ Ross

- **Jeff Poppell** was named the University of South Carolina head men's and women's swimming and diving coach on April 9. Poppell comes to South Carolina from the University of Florida, where he was the head women's swimming and diving coach during the last three seasons. The Jacksonville, Fla. native, has been coaching for 27 seasons, including 13 seasons in the Southeastern Conference. He was the head women's swimming and diving coach at Arkansas from 2006-12 as well as an associate head coach of the combined men's and women's program at Florida from 2016-18 and the women's head coach from 2018-21.
- There were three individual and two relay performances that now rank in the program's top-five fastest times: **Guy**

Gropper (5th-fastest 50-yard freestyle), **Luke Massey** (4th-fastest 100-yard breaststroke), **Jordan Yip Zhu Ern** (5th-fastest 200-yard breaststroke), 200-Yard Freestyle Relay (2nd-fastest time) and 200-Yard Medley Relay (4th-fastest time).

- South Carolina placed 10th in the SEC Men's Swimming and Diving Championships.
- Four members of the program were named Scholar All-Americans by the College Swimming & Diving Coaches Association of America (CSCAA) for the 2020-21 season. Massey (hospitality and recreation management), **Tamas Novoszath** (finance), **AJ Ross** (civil engineering) and Yip Zhu Ern (finance) were named to the second team.



Jordan Yip Zhu Ern

COACHES AND SUPPORT STAFF

McGee Moody	Head Swimming Coach
Todd Sherritt	Head Diving Coach
Kevin Swander	Associate Head Coach
Erin Mullins	Assistant Swimming Coach
Mike Simpson	Assistant Swimming Coach
Pam Swander	Assistant Swimming Coach
Katelyn Woolfolk	Sports Performance Coach
Krista Richards	Athletic Trainer
Marissa DelGado	Operations Coordinator
Ed Lowery	Academic Advisor
Matt Pignataro	Communications/PR Director



WOMEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING

At the SEC championship meet, sophomore Janie Smith set the school record for fastest time in the 100 free. She finished 10th overall in the event to score for the Gamecocks.

SEC FINISH: 11TH
NCAA FINISH: N/A

SUCCESS IN THE POOL



Janie Smith

- South Carolina placed 11th in the SEC Women's Swimming and Diving Championships.
- Senior **Yu Qian Goh** was named the SEC Female Diver of the Week on October 27 for her performances vs. Georgia on Oct. 23. Won took top honors in the meet on the 1-meter and 3-meter boards.
- Sophomore **Janie Smith** broke the school record for the 100 free in the preliminaries of the SEC championship and finished 10th overall in the event.
- Sophomore **Taylor Steele** finished 16th in the 100 breast, scoring a team-high 11 points at the SEC championship, swimming a season-best time of 1:00.54 in the b-final. Steele already owns the second-fastest 100 breast time in program history at 59.72, which put her in the A-final of last year's SEC Championship where she would eventually finish fourth.



Taylor Steele

- Four members of the program were named Scholar All-Americans by the College Swimming & Diving Coaches Association of America (CSCAA) for the 2020-21 season. Smith (exercise science), an NCAA qualifier and the school record holder in the 100 free, earned first team honors. Junior **Mari Kraus** (public health), sophomore **Riley Parker** (accounting) and Steele (experimental psychology) were named to the second team (honorable mention).



Yu Qian Goh

COACHES AND SUPPORT STAFF

McGee Moody	Head Swimming Coach
Todd Sherritt	Head Diving Coach
Kevin Swander	Associate Head Coach
Erin Mullins	Assistant Swimming Coach
Mike Simpson	Assistant Swimming Coach
Pam Swander	Assistant Swimming Coach
Katelyn Woolfolk	Sports Performance Coach
Krista Richards	Athletic Trainer
Marissa DelGado	Operations Coordinator
Ed Lowery	Academic Advisor
Michael DeBates	Communications/PR Director



MEN'S TENNIS

South Carolina earned a top-16 seed and hosted NCAA Tournament matches for the first time since 1994. Head coach Josh Goffi led the Gamecocks to the NCAA Round of 16 for the first time since 2005.

OVERALL RECORD: 17-10
CONFERENCE: 7-5

SUCCESS ON THE COURT

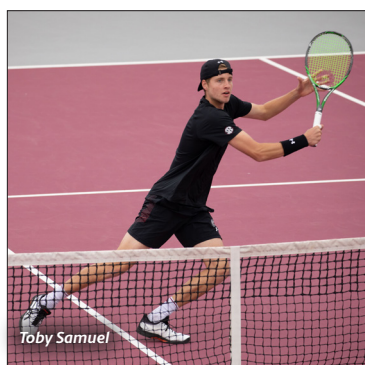
- Freshman **Toby Samuel** was named ITA Carolina Region Rookie of the Year and Head Coach **Josh Goffi** also captured his second ITA Carolina Region Coach of the Year honor.
- In addition to Rodrigues earning the No. 3 final rank, **Connor Thomson** closed the season at No. 27, making him just the Gamecocks' third top-30 singles finisher since 2014. Raphael Lambling finished at No. 60 with Samuel coming in at No. 71.
- In doubles, Rodrigues/Thomson wrapped up the season at No. 11, the highest doubles final ranking since the end of the 1988-89 season. Lambling/Phillip Jordan were ranked No. 86 at the end of the season.
- For the first time since 2013, three Gamecocks earned All-SEC honors with Rodrigues and Thomson capturing spots on the first team. Samuel was named to the All-SEC Second Team and the SEC All-Freshman Team.
- The Gamecocks finished tied for fourth in the SEC this season (7-5), their best league finish since claiming third in 2017.



Daniel Rodrigues



Connor Thomson



Toby Samuel

- The Gamecocks finished the season ranked No. 13 in the nation, the program's highest ranking since 1988-89.
- South Carolina became the first program to appear in back-to-back NCAA Singles Championships finals with **Daniel Rodrigues** finishing as the national runner-up at the event this season. The ITA All-American finished the season ranked No. 3 in the singles, matching the highest singles final ranking in program history.

COACHES AND SUPPORT STAFF

Josh Goffi	Head Coach
Andrew Adams	Assistant Coach
David Terry	Director of Operations
Paul Stoltzfus	Academic Advisor
Diana Koval	Communications/PR Director





WOMEN'S TENNIS

- The Gamecocks made their 26th consecutive appearance in the NCAA Tournament, tied for the eighth longest active streak in the country. South Carolina is also one of just 13 programs to make at least 30 NCAA Tournament appearances.
- **Mia Horvit** and **Megan Davies** each competed in the NCAA Singles and Doubles Championships this season.
- Horvit was named to the All-SEC First Team, becoming just the third Gamecock in school history to capture first-team honors multiple times in her career. Horvit is also one of only three Gamecocks to receive All-SEC honors four times.
- Davies earned a spot on the All-SEC Second Team to mark the first all-league award in her career. She also earned a spot on the SEC All-Tournament Team.
- The Gamecocks advanced to the semifinals of the SEC Tournament after upsetting the No. 2-seeded Florida Gators in the quarterfinals.
- The Gamecocks defeated rival Clemson for the seventh time in a row, marking the longest win streak either team has posted in the series.
- **Allie Gretkowski** finished the season undefeated at No. 3 doubles, going a perfect 13-0, while Ana Cruz had just one loss with a 14-1 record.
- Horvit ended her career with 178 total victories, tied for fifth in school history.
- South Carolina earned a No. 26 ranking in the final ITA poll, while Horvit was 41st in singles, Davies was 72nd and **Emma Shelton** was 114th. In doubles, Davies and Horvit were No. 12, their highest mark of the season and the best of Davies' career.
- As a team, the Gamecocks earned the ITA Carolina Region Community Service Award.

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OVERALL RECORD: 12-12
CONFERENCE: 7-6

SUCCESS ON THE COURT



Megan Davies



Mia Horvit



Allie Gretkowski



COACHES AND SUPPORT STAFF

Kevin Epley	Head Coach
Ty Schaub	Associate Head Coach
David Terry	Director of Operations
Alex Buchman	Sports Performance Coach
Stephanie Rosehart	Athletic Trainer
Paul Stoltzfus	Academic Advisor
Matt Freed	Communications/PR Director



MEN'S TRACK AND FIELD



Malik Paul

- Eight different Gamecocks earned All-America honors for their performances at the 2021 NCAA Outdoor Championships in Eugene, Ore. The Gamecocks had a total of six First Team honors, three second team honors and one honorable mention to total 10 honors among the eight individuals.
- **Malik Paul** earned his first career All-America honor after his fourth-place finish at the NCAA Outdoor Championships in the discus. Paul, who began his career as a walk-on, used the sixth-best discus toss in school history of 58.35m (191-5) to end his career on a high note.
- **Eric Favors** (Shot Put) along with **Dillon McCarthy** (Pole Vault) represented the men's team on the SEC's outdoor all-conference teams.
- **Sean Petersen** ran the fastest 3000m time in school history (since 2000) in a time of 8:37.90 to win the Weems Baskin.

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SEC (INDOOR): 11TH
 SEC (OUTDOOR): 12TH
 NCAA (INDOOR): 46TH
 NCAA (OUTDOOR): 42ND

SUCCESS ON THE TRACK



Filip Demsar

- Outdoor rookie **William Spencer Jr.** posted a 49.84 in the 400m hurdles at the USC Open, a top five time in the country.
- Sophomore **Filip Demsar** finished sixth at the NCAA Indoor Championships in the 60m hurdles in his first appearance at the national level.
- Junior **Evan Miller** finished as second team All-American for the first time in his career with Miller 13th in the 200m.
- Freshman **Jackson Marseille** finished in a tie for third at the SEC Indoor Championships, earning himself SEC Second Team and All-Freshman honors along with a bronze medal.



William Spencer

COACHES AND SUPPORT STAFF

Curtis Frye	Head Coach (Sprints/Hurdles)
Delethea Quarles	Assistant Head Coach (Jumps/Multis)
Kevin Brown	Sprints/Relays/Pole Vault Coach Recruiting Coordinator
Mike Sergent	Throws Coach
Andrew Allden	Cross Country/Distances Coach
Karim Abdel Wahab	Sprints/Hurdles Coach
Kendra Warren	Director of Operations
Katelyn Woolfolk	Sports Performance Coach
Krystal Barclay, Laura Muller,	Athletic Trainers
Kacey Ohlemeyer, Kaitlin Snadjer	
Bridget Tabor	Academic Advisor
Trenten Gauthier	Communications/PR Director



VOLLEYBALL

On Nov. 12, South Carolina upset No. 4 Florida, snapping a 23-game losing streak to the Gators that lasted since 2006. It was one of two wins over top-25-ranked opponents for the year, and the program earned its first national ranking since 2002 for its efforts in a conference-only schedule.

OVERALL RECORD: 12-10
CONFERENCE: 12-10

SUCCESS ON THE COURT

- On Nov. 12, South Carolina upset No. 4 Florida, snapping a 23-game losing streak to the Gators.
- The team earned the No. 15 ranking in the American Volleyball Coaches Association's (AVCA) weekly coaches poll on Nov. 4, the program's first appearance in the rankings since 2002.
- Head coach **Tom Mendoza** earned his 50th win at South Carolina on Feb. 27 in the upset win over No. 25 Missouri. He is the fastest Gamecock coach to reach 50 wins, including a faster start than the two winningest coaches in program history.
- South Carolina has double-digit conference wins in each of Mendoza's first three seasons, the only other time that has happened in Gamecock history was from 2000-02.
- Whitesides made history on March 8, as the Greenville, S.C. native was named the SEC Freshman of the Week for a third time in a single season. Since joining the SEC, South Carolina has seen five different freshman Gamecocks take the honor a single time prior to the 2020-21 season. Prior to this, only three Gamecocks ever earned three weekly SEC awards in a single season.
- Robinson finished the 2020-21 season just 18 blocks shy of the program's rally-scoring-era record for total blocks in a career. She is also in the program's top 10 for kills and points scored in the era (since 2001) and became the seventh woman in program history to reach 400 career blocks on Feb. 27 vs. Missouri.
- Freshmen **Ellie Ruprich** played like a seasoned veteran in her first year. Despite playing a SEC-only schedule, Ruprich's team-leading 84 blocks ranks third on South Carolina's single-season conference-only record book and is the fourth-highest total by a Gamecock freshman in the rally-scoring era.



Riley Whitesides



Mikayla Robinson



Kyla Manning

- Senior **Mikayla Robinson** made the 18-woman All-SEC team and freshman **Riley Whitesides** made the seven-woman All-Freshman team. Robinson is the eighth Gamecock in program history to be a three-time all-conference honoree. In the 22-game, SEC-only season, Robinson averaged a career-high 2.52 kills per set while hitting .332 – the sixth-highest hitting percentage in a single season of conference play in program history. In the team's 22 games, she reached double-digit kills 11 times and hit over .300 in nine of those 11 games. On the defensive side, she ranked second on the team with 70 total blocks.
- Whitesides was a strong contender for SEC Freshman of the Year, but still is just the seventh member of the program to make the team – the most recent being Robinson in 2017. Whitesides was a revelation for the team, finishing second on the team with 261 kills while playing in every single set over the 22 conference matches.



COACHES AND SUPPORT STAFF

Tom Mendoza	Head Coach
Shonda Wallace	Assistant Coach
	Recruiting Coordinator
Ethan Pheister	Assistant Coach
Megan Mendoza	Director of Operations
Keith Scruggs	Sports Performance Coach
Jenn Herod	Head Athletic Trainer
Rochelle Robinson	Academic Advisor
Joe Kepler	Communications/PR Director