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Bearcat Women's Soccer Welcomes Seven New Faces

CINCINNATI, Ohio – The University of Cincinnati women's soccer team has added seven student-athletes to its roster for the 2006 season. Ohio products **Stephanie Brindle**, **Sherry Lyle**, and **Heather Neiser** will join **Melissa Bigg**, **Lisa Clark**, **Andrea Kaminski**, and **Erin MacDonald** at UC to continue their academic and athletic careers in the fall of 2006.

"We have a group of great midfielders in this class," head coach **Meridy Glenn** commented. "When you watch them, their feet never stop. They are all very skillful and creative. We also filled out our goalkeeper position with some big, athletic keepers. I am excited about what these athletes will bring to the team."

Bigg, a 5-6 midfielder, led Acton High School to two conference finals during her career. The Limehouse, Ontario, native helped the Erin Mills Eagles club team to the Canadian National Championship in 2005. The daughter of Andrew and Cidalina Bigg, she plans to major in education. Bigg will wear No. 28 for the Bearcats.

Brindle, a 5-6 midfielder, was a three-time letterwinner at Pickerington North High School, where she was twice named all-conference. A native of Pickerington, Ohio, she led CESA F.C. to the Superclubs National Championship in 2004. The daughter of Bob and Lana Brindle, she plans to major in nursing and is a finalist for the prestigious Cincinnati Scholarship. Brindle will wear No. 21 at UC.

Clark is a 5-3 midfielder from Alexandria, Va. She was a four-year starter at T.C. Williams High School and a two-time all-district honoree. She is a member of the Sterling NOVA Pride club team that advanced to the State Cup semi-finals in 2004 and 2005. She is also a member of the Virginia Olympic Development Program state team. The daughter of James Clark and Julia Porter, she plans to major in architecture. Clark will don the No. 25 uniform when she takes the field for the Bearcats.

Kaminski, a 5-8 goalkeeper, was a four-time all-conference selection at Noblesville High School, where she earned first team all-state honors as a senior. She posted a 0.69 goals against average over her four-year career. The Noblesville, Ind. native played for the Indianapolis Dynamo club team and was a member of the Indiana Olympic Development Program state team. The daughter of Brian and Julie Kaminski, she has been accepted into the school of arts and sciences. Kaminski will wear No. 0 at UC.

Lyle is a 5-8 goalkeeper from Gahanna, Ohio. She was a four-year letterwinner at Westerville North, leading the Warriors to the conference championship as a sophomore, when she posted 10 shutouts and a 0.06 goals against average. She was named a first team all-conference selection and earned conference player of the year honors after her senior year and earned team MVP honors three times. Lyle played for both the NCAA Blast and Cincinnati Classics Hammer club teams. The daughter of Lester and Jackie Lyle, she plans to major in secondary education. Lyle will wear No. 30 for UC.

MacDonald, a 5-11 forward, played for the St. Catharines Jets for nine years. A St. Catharines, Ontario, native, MacDonald started for the U-16 Ontario provincial team, helping the squad to the 2004 Canadian National Championship. The daughter of Doug and Charlene MacDonald, she plans to major in communication disorders. MacDonald will wear No. 22.

Neiser, a 5-4 midfielder from Batavia, Ohio, led St. Ursula Academy to the state finals as a senior, earning all-conference honors along the way. She played the last nine years for the Cincinnati Classics Hammer club team, winning State Cup championships in 2000 and 2004. Neiser, a member of the Ohio South Olympic Development state team, is the daughter of Raymond and Donna Neiser and plans to major in nursing. She will wear No. 6 for the Bearcats.

2006 Cincinnati Women's Soccer Signees

Name	Pos.	Class	Hometown/High School
Melissa Bigg	MF	Fr.	Limehouse, Ontario/Acton
Stephanie Brindle	MF	Fr.	Pickerington, Ohio/Pickerington North
Lisa Clark	MF	Fr.	Alexandria, Va./T.C. Williams
Andrea Kaminski	GK	Fr.	Noblesville, Ind./Noblesville
Sherry Lyle	GK	Fr.	Gahanna, Ohio/Westerville North
Erin MacDonald	F	Fr.	St. Catharines, Ontario/West Park
Heather Neiser	MF	Fr.	Batavia, Ohio/St. Ursula Academy

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#28 • Melissa Bigg • 5-6 • Midfielder • Limehouse, Ontario • Acton High School

Led Acton High School to two conference finals (2003, 2004)...led Erin Mills Eagles club team to Canadian National Championship in 2005...Ontario Cup champions and Ontario Indoor Cup champs in 2005...daughter of Andrew and Cidalina Bigg...has one brother, Matthew, and one sister, Holly...plans to major in education.

#21 • Stephanie Brindle • 5-6 • Midfielder • Pickerington, Ohio • Pickerington North High School

Three-time letterwinner at Pickerington North High School...first team all-conference as a senior, second team as a junior...participated in the Central Ohio All-Star Game as a senior...earned scholar athlete award as a senior...Superclubs National Champion in 2004 as a member of CESA Football Club...daughter of Bob and Lana Brindle...has one brother, Eric...plans to major in nursing.

#25 • Lisa Clark • 5-3 • Midfielder • Alexandria, Va. • T.C. Williams High School

Four-year starter at T.C. Williams High School...two-time all-district honoree...co-captain as a junior...a member of National Honor Society and a National Merit Scholar...earned prestigious Rensselaer Medal for excellence in mathematics and science in 2005...member of the Sterling NOVA Pride club team...2004, 2005 State Cup Semi-finalists...a member of the Virginia State Olympic Development team...daughter of James Clark and Julia Porter...has two sisters, Alice and Hannah...plans to major in architecture.

#0 • Andrea Kaminski • 5-8 • Goalkeeper • Noblesville, Ind. • Noblesville High School

Four-time all-conference, all-county, and all-state selection at Noblesville High School...first team all-state choice and conference player of the year as a senior...posted a 0.69 career goals against average and 44 career shutouts...led squad to a combined 51-12-6 mark during her four-year career...a member of the honor roll and student athletic board...2003 regional finalist as a member of the Indianapolis Dynamo F.C...daughter of Brian and Julie Kaminski...has two brothers, Brandon and Eric...has been accepted to the college of arts & sciences.

#30 • Sherry Lyle • 5-8 • Goalkeeper • Gahanna, Ohio • Westerville North High School

Four-year letterwinner at Westerville North High School...led Warriors to conference championship as a sophomore...first team all-conference as a senior...three-time team MVP...posted 10 shutouts and a 0.06 goals against average as a sophomore...member of the Westerville North High honor roll...has played for NCAA Blast and Cincinnati Classics Hammer club teams...daughter of Lester and Jackie Lyle...has one brother, Keith...plans to major in secondary education.

#22 • Erin MacDonald • 5-11 • Forward • St. Catharines, Ontario/West Park Secondary School

Was a nine-year member of the St. Catharines Jets...was a starter on the Ontario provincial U-16 team...led provincial U16 team to Canadian National Championship in 2004...daughter of Doug and Charlene MacDonald...has one brother, Drew, and one sister, Hayley, who plays soccer at Alabama...plans to major in communications disorders.

#6 • Heather Neiser • 5-4 • Midfielder • Batavia, Ohio/St. Ursula Academy

Four-time letterwinner at St. Ursula Academy...second team all-conference as both a junior and senior...led squad to state championship final as a senior...All-Ohio Scholar Athlete as a senior...named to the *Cincinnati Enquirer* All-Star team as a junior and senior...led conference with 14 assists as a sophomore...member of National Honor Society...played for Cincinnati Classics Hammer Football Club for the last nine years...won State Cup Championship in 2000 and 2004...member of Ohio State Olympic Development Program in 2003 and 2004...daughter of Raymond and Donna Neiser...has three brothers, Josh, Joey, and Timmy, and three sisters, Jessica, Melissa, and Sara...plans to major in nursing.