

2025 SCHEDULE

OVERALL: 0-0
 CONFERENCE (BIG12): 0-0 | NON-CONFERENCE: 0-0
 HOME: 0-0 | AWAY: 0-0

DATE	OPPONENT	TV	TIME/RESULT
FEBRUARY			
8	VANDERBILT	ESPN+	12 PM
11	at Louisville	ACC NET.	3 PM
15	ROBERT MORRIS	ESPN +	12 PM
20	MARQUETTE	ESPN+	3 PM
23	at Kent State	TBD	3 PM
26	XAVIER	ESPN+	6 PM
MARCH			
2	at Central Michigan	TBD	12 PM
7	at Ohio State	ESPN+	3 PM
9	EASTERN MICHIGAN	ESPN+	12 PM
14	WOFFORD	ESPN+	3 PM
17	at Mount St. Mary's	TBD	1 PM
21	at Georgetown	TBD	1 PM
29	at Arizona State*	ESPN+	12:30 PM
APRIL			
4	UC DAVIS*	ESPN+	4 PM
12	at San Diego State*	ESPN+	4 PM
19	at Florida*	ESPN+	12 PM
26	COLORADO	ESPN+	12 PM

* - Big 12 Conference game
 All times Eastern (ET).

CONFERENCE STANDINGS

1.	Arizona State	0-0, 0-0 BIG12
2.	CINCINNATI	0-0, 0-0 BIG12
3.	Colorado	0-0, 0-0 BIG12
4.	Florida	0-0, 0-0 BIG12
5.	San Diego State	0-0, 0-0 BIG12
6.	UC Davis	0-0, 0-0 BIG12

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GAME 1



CINCINNATI
BEARCATS



VANDERBILT
COMMODORES



Record: 0-0 (0-0 BIG12)
 Head Coach: Gina Thomas
 Record at UC: 83-113 (13th)
 Career Record: 83-113 (13th)

Record: 0-0 (0-0 AAC)
 Head Coach: Beth Hewitt
 Record at Vanderbilt: 50-44 (6th)
 Career Record: 121-64 (11th)

SATURDAY FEB 8, 2025 | 12 P.M. ET | NIPPERT STADIUM | CINCINNATI, OHIO

THE RUNDOWN

- Cincinnati kicks off the 2025 season inside Nippert Stadium against the Vanderbilt Commodores. Opening draw is set for 12 p.m.
- The Bearcats closed out the 2024 season against the Commodores and now open the 2025 season with a rematch against the Commodores.
- Head coach Gina Thomas begins her 13th year at the helm as the Bearcats embark on their inaugural season in the Big 12 Conference.
- Cincinnati completed its full transition to the Big 12 with the addition of lacrosse, marking a significant milestone for the athletic department.
- The Bearcats return 23 letterwinners, including seven starters. Key returners include three of the top five scorers from last season: Lauren Ottensmeyer (57 goals), Camryn Callaghan (56 goals) and Hailey Joy Simpson (20 goals).
- Last season, UC finished third in the American Athletic Conference in goals per game (13.18).
- The Bearcats welcome 12 freshmen and two transfers to the 2025 roster.
- Juniors Sophia Passa and Gillian Smith add experience to the program after spending two seasons at Longwood and Old Dominion, respectively.
- Freshman Paige Selhorn looks to make an immediate impact in the attacker role. The New York native finished her high school career with 155 goals, Conference Player of the Year and Academic All-American honors.
- Junior attack Camryn Callaghan, named to the First Team All-AAC in 2024, continues to shine with preseason All-Big 12 honors. She became the quickest freshman in program history to achieve 100 career goals.
- Graduate student Lauren Ottensmeyer and senior Alexis Rich also earned preseason honors, with Ottensmeyer ranking second in the AAC for goals per game (3.35) and leading in shots per game (8.35).
- Rich provides defensive leadership as a four-year starter. The New Jersey native recorded a season-high 18 caused turnovers and 29 groundballs. She also scored her first career goal against Louisville.
- The 2024 season was highlighted by a 25-4 victory over Youngstown State. This marked the program's largest-ever margin of victory. The 25 goals also matched a March 8, 2020 win over Kent State for the most in program history. It was the first-ever Leap Day win for the team and first-such contest since its inaugural 2008 season.

PROJECTED STARTING LINEUP (2024 STATISTICS)

#	NAME	CL	POS	G	A	SH	GB	DC	CT
4	Camryn Callaghan	Jr.	A	56	0	0	0	1	0
30	Lauren Ottensmeyer	Gr.	A	57	9	137	8	2	9
6	Paige Selhorn	Fr.	A	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	Hailey Joy Simpson	So.	M	22	4	40	12	31	5
3	Julie Rose	Gr.	M	4	2	9	12	27	5
21	Lexie Wolfe	Jr.	M	11	3	22	9	7	4
5	Ally Keith	So.	M	7	0	20	12	15	10
18	Mia Federovich	Jr.	M	0	0	0	14	0	8
9	Alexis Rich	Sr.	D	1	0	1	29	2	18
44	Ava LaRuffa	So.	D	0	0	0	13	0	0
36	Devon Cherry	So.	D	0	0	0	0	0	0

GK	NAME	CL	MIN	GA	GAA	SV	SV%	W	L
26	Hailey Darko	So.	177:56	45	15.17	17	.274	0	1

YEAR IN REVIEW

- During the 2024 season, the Bearcats continued to shine as they recorded 10 total wins including four against Ohio opponents. Cincinnati standouts Camryn Callaghan, Lauren Ottensmeyer, Alexis Rich and Hailey Joy Simpson received All-AAC Honors alongside Callaghan and Ottensmeyer grabbing the program's first national award after being named USA Lacrosse Honorable Mention All-Americans. Against Youngstown State, the program recorded its largest-ever margin of victory. The 25 goals also matched a March 8, 2020 win over Kent State for the most in program history. It was also the first-ever Leap Day win for the team and first-such contest since its inaugural 2008 season.

BACK FOR MORE

- Graduate students Lauren Ottensmeyer and Julie Rose are returning to the program for a final year. Ottensmeyer brings offensive strength back for the Bearcats as the leading scorer for the 2024 season with 61 goals, 11 assists and 72 points. She recorded a goal in every game, with 13 of those being hat tricks. The Missouri native notched a career-high six goals twice, against Louisville and Ohio State.
- Rose appeared in every match, starting four. She recorded four goals, 12 ground balls and 27 draw controls. The Baltimore native enters her second year as a team captain.

ALL-AMERICAN STATUS

- Junior Camryn Callaghan and graduate student Lauren Ottensmeyer received Honorable Mention All-American recognition, USA Lacrosse announced this past May. The duo accounted for 113 of the team's 224 total goals from the 2024 season.
- The two became the program's first national award recipients with this honor.
- Ahead of the 2025 season, the pair was named to the USA Lacrosse Preseason All-American list as well. Ottensmeyer earned Third Team honors, while Callaghan received Honorable Mention.

NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK

- The Bearcats welcome 12 freshmen and two transfers to the 2025 roster.
- Juniors Sophia Passa and Gillian Smith add experience to the program after spending two seasons at Longwood and Old Dominion, respectively.
- Passa played and started in all 17 matches at Longwood and ended the season with 36 goals, seven assists averaged a .784 SOG%. She was the second leading scorer on the team for two years in a row.
- Smith received ODU's Breakout Season honor her freshman year. She is also a member of the Ireland Lacrosse Senior Women's National Team.
- Freshman Paige Selhorn finished her senior year of high school with 55 goals, 32 assists and was named Conference Player of the Year and Academic All-American.

GUARDING THE GOAL

- After the departure of graduate student Victoria Macres and senior Ashley Lapp, sophomore Hailey Darko moves into the starting goalie role for the 2025 season.
- Darko appeared in 12 games last season, starting three. She helped the Bearcats record their first program shutout against Robert Morris. Darko finished the 2024 season with 23 saves and four groundballs.

FAREWELL AAC

- The Big 12 Conference has announced it will add women's lacrosse for the 2024-25 academic year, completing Cincinnati's athletics-wide move to the league.
- UC was previously in the Big East from 2009-18 and independent in its inaugural 2008 season.
- Cincinnati is joined by Arizona State, Colorado, Florida, San Diego State and UC Davis.

AYE AYE CAPTAIN

- Graduate student Julie Rose, senior Megan Young and junior Camryn Callaghan were named the 2025 team captains, the program announced earlier this fall.
- Callaghan steps into the role for the third season alongside Rose enters second year in the leadership position, previously serving with former Bearcat Kimora Bailey who graduated last spring.

REPPIN' THE RED WHITE AND BLUE

- Junior attacker Camryn Callaghan earned a place on the 2024 USA U20 Lacrosse training team.
- Head coach Gina Thomas, who is entering her 13th year at the helm, made the training team in 2005 and later played in the 2009 and 2013 World Cups.
- The 42 players named to the training team (out of 99 at the event) come from high schools from 12 states and the District of Columbia and represent 20 colleges with their current enrollment or commitment.

SUCCESS IN THE CLASSROOM

- UC has earned team academic honors (3.2 GPA or higher) in 10 of Head Coach Gina Thomas' 13 years at the helm as well. This past fall, the team earned a 3.4 team GPA with 27 Dean's List recipients and five TopCats (4.0 GPA).

WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER

- Cincinnati had five or more players score in 13 games, highlighted by eight or more in five.
- In their 25-4 victory over Youngstown State on Feb. 29, 2024, 15 different Bearcats scored a goal, led by Lauren Ottensmeyer and Camryn Callaghan each having four.

NEW AND OLD BOSSES

- All-American and two-time World Champion Gina Thomas is heading into her 13th season as the head coach at the University of Cincinnati in 2025.
- Jamie Redding enters her fourth season on the Bearcats staff after joining in August 2021.
- Tamburello enters his first season after joining the Bearcats' lacrosse staff in August. He comes to Cincinnati with a diverse coaching background, having served in various roles at multiple institutions.
- Most recently, Tamburello spent the 2024 season at Stanford University where he served as an assistant coach. During his tenure, he played a pivotal role in the team's achievements, notably contributing to a PAC-12 conference championship. He was instrumental in coaching the offense to achieve a No.14 national ranking with an impressive average of 15.11 goals per game. His coaching efforts also fostered the development of a PAC-12 Freshman of the Year and Goalie of the Year.

PRESEASON HONORS

- Camryn Callaghan, Lauren Ottensmeyer and Alexis Rich were named to the Preseason All-Big 12 Team, the league announced Tuesday.
- The Bearcats were ranked fourth overall, with former AAC opponent Florida taking the top spot.
- The trio was unanimously selected as they prepare for the program's inaugural season in the Big 12 conference.

NUMBERS TO KNOW

6 Cincinnati is one of six teams in the inaugural season of Big 12 lacrosse. Former AAC member, Florida, made the move alongside Arizona State, Colorado, San Diego State and UC Davis.

224 Cincinnati outscored their opponents 224-173 last season with 718 shots on goal percentage. The Bearcats also recorded 535 shots compared to their opponents 419.

25 UC recorded a game-high and season high 25 goals against Youngstown State on 2/29/24. The Bearcats also notched 35 points, 10 assists and 33 SOG against the Penguins. All are also game and season-highs.

37 The Bearcats will roster 37 student athletes for the 2025 season. The 37 is made up of 23 returning players, two transfer and 12 freshman. Six of the 37 players are native Ohioians.

3 Alexis Rich, Camryn Callaghan and Lauren Ottensmeyer were named to the Preseason All-Big 12 team by unanimous selection. Cincinnati, overall, was ranked fourth among the league.

13 Head coach Gina Thomas (Oliver) enters her 13th season leading the Bearcats. She is joined by assistant coaches Jamie Redding (3rd) and Zach Tamburello who begins his first season at Cincinnati.

LAST TIME IT HAPPENED...

OVERALL

WON.....vs. Ohio State, 13-11, 4/5/24
 LOST.....at Vanderbilt, 9-14, 4/27/24

AT HOME

WON.....vs. Ohio State, 13-11, 4/5/24
 LOST.....vs. No. 9 Florida, 6-18, 4/20/24

ON THE ROAD

WON.....at Old Dominion, 13-9, 3/17/24
 LOST.....at Vanderbilt, 9-14, 4/27/24

IN A CONFERENCE TOURNAMENT

WON.....vs. #3 Temple, 13-9, 5/2/19
 LOST.....vs. #6 James Madison, 7-13, 5/4/23

OVERTIME

WON.....at Louisville, 13-12, 4/12/23
 LOST.....at Ohio State, 12-13, 2/28/23

SERIES AT A GLANCE

OVERALL/STREAK	VANDERBILT LEADS, 3-10
IN CINCINNATI	VANDERBILT LEADS, 3-4
LAST MEETING	VANDERBILT WON, 9-14, 4/27/24

CINCINNATI		VANDERBILT
0-0	GOAL-SHOT ATT.	0-0
0	GOALS/PER GAME	0
0	SHOT %	0
0	SHOTS/GAME	0
0	ASSISTS	0
0	FREE POSITION %	0
0	GROUND BALLS	0
0	DRAW CONTROLS	0
0	TURNOVERS	0
0	CAUSED TURNOVERS	0
0	CLEAR %	0

LAST TIME OUT

HISTORY VS. VANDERBILT

DATE	LOCATION	RESULT
4/27/2024	Away	L, 9-14
3/18/2023	Home	W, 19-6
4/20/2022	Away	L, 7-23
3/21/2021	Home	L, 14-16
3/19/2021	Home	L, 8-10
4/20/2019	Home	W, 18-15
4/4/2018	Away	L, 6-17
4/22/2017	Home	W, 10-9
4/13/2016	Away	L, 3-13
4/8/2015	Home	L, 8-13
3/2/2011	Away	L, 3-17
3/15/2009	Home	L, 7-19

NUMERICAL

#	NAME	POS.	HT.	CL.	HOMETOWN / HIGH SCHOOL / PREVIOUS SCHOOL
0	Shea Graham	D/M	5'6	Fr.	Hampton, N.H. / Winnacunnet
1	Amanda Sweeney	M	5'7	Fr.	Manorville, N.Y. / Eastport South Manor
3	Julie Rose	M	5'8	Gr.	Baltimore, Md. / Loch Raven
4	Camryn Callaghan	A	5'4	Jr.	Upper Arlington, Ohio / Upper Arlington
5	Ally Keith	M	5'6	So.	Millersville, Md. / Archbishop Spalding
6	Paige Selhorn	A/M	5'7	Fr.	Westbury, N.Y. / Carle Place
7	Sarah Barnes	M	5'7	Jr.	Brielle, N.J. / Manasquan
8	Gillian Smith	M	5'8	Jr.	Richmond, Va. / James River / Old Dominion
9	Alexis Rich	D	5'6	Sr.	North Brunswick, N.J. / North Brunswick Township
10	Harper Clopton	M	5'9	Sr.	Swampscott, Mass. / Swampscott
11	Kirsten Schleicher	A	5-8	Sr.	Bel Air, Md. / C. Milton Wright / Radford
12	Alyse Keels	M	5'5	Fr.	Acworth, Ga. / Carlton J Kell
13	Lilly Stelzer	A	5'7	So.	Upper Arlington, Ohio / Upper Arlington
14	Hailey Joy Simpson	M	5'9	So.	Reston, Va. / Flint Hill
15	Catherine Barhorst	D	5'5	Fr.	Fort Mill, S.C. / Nation Ford
16	Kennedy Koehler	D	5'4	Jr.	Baltimore, Md. / Maryvale Preparatory School
17	Brenna Heffernan	M	5'6	Fr.	Powell, Ohio / Olentangy Liberty
18	Mia Federovich	D	5'6	Jr.	Annandale, Va. / Falls Church
19	Thea Work	M	5'7	Jr.	Lorton, Va. / South County
20	Taylor Kozina	A	5'9	Jr.	Milton, Ga. / Milton
21	Lexie Wolfe	M	5'8	Jr.	Wyckoff, N.J. / Ramapo
22	Malia Adams	D	5'7	So.	Bethesda, Md. / Bethesda-Chevy Chase
23	Lindsay Sparago	A	5'6	Sr.	Ho-Ho-Kus, N.J. / Northern Highlands Regional
25	Megan Young	A	5'7	Sr.	Bay Village, Ohio / Bay Village / Coastal Carolina
26	Hailey Darko	GK	5'5	So.	Canton, Ga. / Cherokee
27	Chloe Page	A	5'6	Fr.	Austin, Texas / LC Anderson
28	Gracie Ethem	D	5'3	Fr.	New Park, Pa. / Mercy
29	Marissa Dolciato	GK	5'1	Fr.	Columbus, Ohio / Worthington Kilbourne
30	Lauren Ottensmeyer	M	5'8	Gr.	Ballwin, Mo. / Parkway West / Youngstown State
32	Caroline Soller	M	5'6	So.	Cincinnati, Ohio / Mariemont
33	Paige Counts	A	5'5	So.	Oakton, Va. / James Madison
35	Calì Campagna	M	5'5	Fr.	Lancaster, Pa. / Manheim Township
36	Devon Cherry	M	5'6	Fr.	Clifton, Va. / Robinson Secondary
37	Reese Godby	A	5'7	Fr.	Zionsville, Ind. / Zionsville Community
40	Bella Kerr	GK	5'2	Fr.	Aurora, Ill. / Metea Valley
43	Sophia Passa	A	5'10	Jr.	Gainesville, Va. / Patriot / Longwood
44	Ava LaRuffa	D	5'6	So.	Clifton, Va. / Centreville

ALPHABETICAL

#	NAME	POS.	CL.
22	Malia Adams	D	So.
15	Catherine Barhorst	D	Fr.
7	Sarah Barnes	M	Sr.
4	Camryn Callaghan	A	Jr.
35	Calli Capagna	M	Fr.
36	Devon Cherry	M	So.
10	Harper Clopton	M	Sr.
33	Paige Counts	A	So.
26	Hailey Darko	GK	So.
29	Marissa Dolciato	GK	Fr.
18	Mia Federovich	D	Jr.
37	Reese Godby	A	Fr.
0	Shea Graham	D/M	Fr.
17	Brenna Heffernan	M	Fr.
12	Alyse Keels	M	Fr.
5	Ally Keith	M	So.
40	Bella Kerr	GK	Fr.
16	Kennedy Koehler	D	Jr.
20	Taylor Kozina	A	Jr.
44	Ava LaRuffa	D	So.
30	Lauren Ottensmeyer	M	Gr.
27	Chloe Page	A	Fr.
43	Sophia Passa	A	Jr.
9	Alexis Rich	D	Sr.
3	Julie Rose	M	Gr.
11	Kirsten Schleicher	A	Sr.
6	Paige Selhorn	A/M	Fr.
14	Hailey Joy Simpson	M	So.
8	Gillian Smith	M	Jr.
32	Caroline Soller	M	So.
23	Lindsay Sparago	A	Sr.
13	Lilly Stelzer	A	So.
1	Amanda Sweeney	M	Fr.
21	Lexie Wolfe	M	Jr.
19	Thea Work	M	Jr.
25	Megan Young	A	Sr.

STAFF

Gina Thomas	Head Coach	13th Season
Zach Tamburello	Assistant Coach	1st Season
Jamie Redding	Assistant Coach	4th Season

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Catherine Barhorst	BAR-horst
Camryn Callaghan	Callahan
Marissa Dolciato	Dol-SEE-ought-oh
Gracie Ethem	Eee-thum
Brenna Heffernan	Bren-uh Hef-er-nan
Taylor Kozina	Koe-zee-na
Thea Work	Tay-uh
Sophia Passa	Pah-sa
Alyse Keels	UH-leece KEElS
Calli Campagna	Come-PAG-na
Kiersten Schleicher	Keer-sten Sh-LIE-Ker

ROSTER BY GRADE

GRAD/FIFTH YEAR (2)

3	Julie Rose	M
30	Lauren Ottensmeyer	M

SENIORS (6)

7	Sarah Barnes	M
9	Alexis Rich	D
10	Harper Clopton	M
11	Kirsten Schleicher	A
23	Lindsay Sparago	A
25	Megan Young	A

JUNIORS (8)

4	Camryn Callaghan	A
8	Gillian Smith	M
16	Kennedy Koehler	D
18	Mia Federovich	M
19	Thea Work	M
20	Taylor Kozina	A
21	Lexie Wolfe	M
43	Sophia Passa	A

SOPHOMORES (9)

5	Ally Keith	M
13	Lilly Stelzer	A
14	Hailey Joy Simpson	M
22	Malia Adams	D
26	Hailey Darko	G
32	Caroline Soller	M
33	Paige Counts	A
36	Devon Cherry	M
44	Ava LaRuffa	D

FRESHMAN (12)

0	Shea Graham	D/M
1	Amanda Sweeney	M
6	Paige Selhorn	A/M
12	Alyse Keels	M
15	Catherine Barhorst	D
17	Brenna Heffernan	M
27	Chloe Page	A
28	Gracie Ethem	D
29	Marissa Dolciato	GK

ROSTER BY STATE

OHIO (6)	3 Julie Rose	Baltimore	PENNSYLVANIA (2)	28 Gracie Ethem	New Park
4 Camryn Callaghan	Upper Arlington	5 Ally Keith	Millersville	35 Calli Campagna	Lancaster
17 Brenna Heffernan	Powell	11 Kirsten Schleicher	Bel Air	MASSACHUSETTS (1)	
25 Megan Young	Bay Village	16 Kennedy Koehler	Baltimore	10 Harper Clopton	Swampscott
29 Marissa Dolciato	Columbus	22 Malia Adams	Bethesda	MISSOURI (1)	
32 Caroline Soller	Cincinnati	NEW JERSEY (4)		7 Sarah Barnes	Ballwin
13 Lilly Stelzer	Upper Arlington	7 Sarah Barnes	Brielle	9 Alexis Rich	North Brunswick
VIRGINIA (9)		9 Alexis Rich	North Brunswick	GEORGIA (3)	
8 Gillian Smith	Richmond	21 Lexie Wolfe	Wyckoff	20 Taylor Kozina	Milton
14 Hailey Joy Simpson	Reston	23 Lindsay Sparago	Ho-Ho-Kus	12 Alyse Keels	Acworth
33 Paige Counts	Oakton	ILLINOIS (1)		26 Hailey Darko	Canton
18 Mia Federovich	Annandale	40 Bella Kerr	Aurora	NEW HAMPSHIRE (1)	
19 Thea Work	Lorton	SOUTH CAROLINA (1)		0 Shea Graham	Hampton
36 Devon Cherry	Clifton	15 Catherine Barhorst	Fort Mill	NEW YORK (1)	
43 Sophia Passa	Gainesville	TEXAS (1)		1 Amanda Sweeney	Manorville
44 Ava LaRuffa	Clifton	27 Chloe Page	Austin	6 Paige Selhorn	Westbury
MARYLAND (4)				INDIANA (1)	
				37 Reese Godby	Zionsville

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS GAME-BY-GAME

OPPONENT	RESULT	GOALS	ASSISTS	SHOTS	GROUNDBALLS
vs. Vanderbilt					
at Louisville					
vs. Robert Morris					
vs. Marquette					
at Kent State					
vs. Xavier					
at Central Michigan					
at Ohio State					
vs. Eastern Michigan					
vs. Wofford					
at Mount St. Mary's					
at Georgetown					
at Arizona State					
vs. UC Davis					
at San Diego State					
at Florida					
vs. Colorado					

STARTING LINEUP GAME-BY-GAME

GAME	A	A	A	M	M	M	M	D	D	D	D	GK
vs. Vanderbilt												
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at San Diego State												
at Florida												
vs. Colorado												

2025 BIG 12 CONFERENCE STANDINGS

TEAM	BIG 12	PCT.	HOME	AWAY	STREAK	OVERALL	PCT	HOME	AWAY	STREAK	LAST 10
Arizona State	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0	
Cincinnati	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0	
Colorado	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0	
Florida	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0	
San Diego State	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0	
UC Davis	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0	

HEAD COACH GINA THOMAS | 13TH SEASON

ALL-AMERICAN AND TWO-TIME WORLD CHAMPION

All-American and two-time World Champion Gina Thomas is heading into her 13th season as the head coach at the University of Cincinnati in 2025.

Thomas, in May 2021, was elected as vice president of the Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Association (IWLCA), which includes a three-year service term. She has mentored 26 All-Conference selections over her Bearcat tenure, including seven in 2019 and four in 2024 and 2021. In 2021 her and assistants Shannon Witzel and Caitlin Prince named the AAC's Coaching Staff of the Year. Prior to the 2019 campaign, Cincinnati had just five conference postseason honors, all since 2015.

UC has earned team academic honors (3.2 GPA or higher) in 10 of her 13 years at the helm as well.

During the 2024 season, the Bearcats continued to shine as they recorded 10 total wins including four against Ohio opponents. Cincinnati standouts Camryn Callaghan, Lauren Ottensmeyer, Alexis Rich and Hailey Joy Simpson received All-AAC Honors alongside Callaghan and Ottensmeyer grabbing the program's first national award after being named USA Lacrosse Honorable Mention All-Americans. Against Kent State, the program recorded its largest-ever margin of victory. The 25 goals also matched a March 8, 2020 win over Kent State for the most in program history. It was also the first-ever Leap Day win for the team and first-such contest since its inaugural 2008 season.

The 2023 season saw a breakthrough for the Bearcats, improving their win total by four from the previous season. Their 11 regular-season wins matched the program record from 2019 as well. Camryn Callaghan was named the AAC Freshman of the Year, UC's second since 2019, and Dani Mlkvy and Ava Goeller joined her on the AAC's First Team. Callaghan's 56 goals helped her to a USA U20 Team tryout as well. Cincinnati also earned a road overtime win at Louisville, its first-ever over the Cardinals or an ACC foe, while defeating Vanderbilt, 19-6, for its largest-ever margin of victory against the Commodores.

In 2022, the Bearcats claimed their eighth team IWLCA Academic Award out of Thomas' 10 years at the helm, while Kylie Nause was named the AAC's Lacrosse Scholar-Athlete of the Year. Nause, en route to also earning First-Team All-AAC honors, broke the single-season school records for goals (63) and hat tricks (15). Dani Mlkvy's prowess at midfield also earned her First-Team honors, while sophomore transfer attacker Ava Goeller made the Second Team.

The Bearcats also had four All-AAC members in 2021 (Alyssa Adams, Monica Borzillo, Morgan Dukes, Sam Mlkvy) after COVID wiped out much of the 2020 season. Borzillo's career numbers reached incredible heights over her five seasons with 197 goals and 145 assists, among others.

The 2019 campaign, coming off the best season in its then-12-year program history that saw the Bearcats reach the postseason for the first time as well as finish as the runners-up in the inaugural American Athletic Conference season.

In 2018, the Bearcats strung together six wins in a row early in the year for the longest streak in program history on their way to records for wins (8) and winning percentage (.471). To get there, UC produced solid stats on both sides of the ball throughout the year, including 501 ground balls and an average of 29.47 per game, both of which led the NCAA. Offensively, the Bearcats broke single season program records for points (287), goals (201), assists (86), shots (504), shots on goal (371), man-up goals (12) and free-position goals (43). Along with their ground ball numbers, the defense also caused 187 turnovers, also a program record.

Individually, several Bearcats were solid once again, including Monica Borzillo, who was named All-BIG EAST Second Team for the second year in a row after accumulating 69 points on 42 goals and 27 assists, all of which ranked in the Top 10 of the conference. Two players recorded nearly 50 ground balls each on the year with freshman Morgan Dukes leading the way with 49 and Sam Mlkvy posting 48. Also on the defensive end, Giuliana Durso turned in a single-season record 161 saves and a 44.7 save percentage to help the Bearcats to several big wins, most notably a 17-12 win over Ohio State, the first victory in the series in program history.

UC increased its win total in 2017 and had Borzillo and Amanda Donovan named Second-Team All-BIG EAST Conference. Borzillo finished the season with 39 goals, a school-record 34 assists and 73 total points, leading the team in all categories, and ranking fourth in the BIG EAST with 2.00 assists per game, was second on the team with 33 points off 25 goals and seven assists while also ranking first in caused turnovers (28), fourth in ground balls (33) and fourth in draw controls (26).

The 2016 season saw the Bearcats double their win total from a season ago, while defender Kyara Byner became the first player in program history to earn first team All-BIG EAST honors, as well as All-Region honors from the Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Coaches Association.



The 2015 campaign saw a UC player earn postseason honors from the BIG EAST Conference for the first time in program history. Courtney Curtis was named second team All-BIG EAST after leading the team in goals at 37.

In 2014, Thomas coached the Bearcats to six victories, including a program record five-game winning streak that saw the team receive votes in the Brine/Inside Lacrosse Media Poll for the first time ever. This was after losing the team's top scorer, Megan Bell, to injury in just the seventh game of the year. Five different Bearcats earned weekly honor from the BIG EAST Conference during the season, including Bell as Offensive Player of the Week and goalie Meg Gulmi as Defensive Player of the Week.

Her debut season in Cincinnati saw the 2013 Bearcats match the program record with seven wins, highlighted by the school's first-ever BIG EAST victory over Rutgers to cap the season. Bell led the team in scoring, while Gulmi started every game as a rookie and averaged a league-best 8.88 saves per game. The win totals in 2013 and 2014 marked the best consecutive seasons in program history until the 2017-18 campaigns came along when UC won six and eight, respectively.

Thomas spent the previous five seasons at Duquesne (2008-2012) as the Dukes' defensive coordinator, where she produced a 2012 Atlantic-10 Defensive Player of the Year and Rookie of the Year. During her time at Duquesne, Thomas coached six IWLCA All-Region players, 21 all-conference honorees, 13 members of the A-10 All-Rookie Team and 12 student-athletes who won academic all-conference accolades.

A 2005 graduate of Ohio State, Thomas spent the 2006 and 2007 seasons on the Buckeyes staff, working under OSU head coach Sue Stimmel. While in Columbus, Thomas served as co-director of the Ohio State Women's Lacrosse Camp, while also assisting with recruiting, budgeting and scholarship duties, as well as travel and team practice planning.

Thomas was one of 18 players on the U.S. Women's National Team that won gold at the Federation of International Lacrosse (FIL) World Cup in 2013. Playing as a defender at the World Cup, Oliver recorded 10 ground balls and caused seven turnovers. The highlight came as she was named the player of the game in Team USA's 21-8 semifinal win over England after causing three turnovers and picking-up four ground balls. It was the second FIL World Cup gold for Oliver, who also won the World Cup in June 2009 and was named to the All-World Team, which is awarded to the best 12 players in the world.

A standout midfielder at Ohio State (2002-05), Thomas was a four-year letter winner for the Buckeyes and earned All-America honors three times. During her career, she collected All-America honors from the Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Coaches Association (second team in 2003 and third team in 2004), WomensLacrosse.com (first team in 2003 and third team in 2005) and Warrior/Inside Lacrosse (first team in 2003). She was the American Lacrosse Conference Player of the Year in 2003 as Ohio State won the American Lacrosse Conference Championship and the league's rookie of the year in 2002. Oliver was also a four-time, First-Team All-ALC selection.

The Pottstown, Pa., native closed out her time at OSU as the program's career leader in ground balls (236) and caused turnovers (201) and was second in draw controls (121). She also was third in career points with 166 while ranking second in goals scored (125) and sixth in assists (41).

Thomas earned her bachelor's degree in education from Ohio State in 2005.



PERSONAL INFORMATION

Education: Ohio State ('05, B.S.)

Year in Coaching: 12th

PLAYING CAREER

YEAR	TEAM
2002-05	Ohio State (Midfielder)

COACHING CAREER

YEAR	SCHOOL	POSITION
2013-Present	Cincinnati	Head Coach

PLAYER PROFILES



3 | JULIE ROSE

M | SR. | BALTIMORE, MD.

CAREER STATISTICS

SEASON	GP	G	A	PTS	SH	GW	GB	DC	FPG	CT
2022	17	4	3	7	12	0	5	2	1	1
2023	18	5	0	5	18	0	16	10	0	7
2024	16	3	2	5	8	0	11	25	0	5
2025										
TOTAL	51	12	5	17	38	0	32	37	1	13

CAREER HIGHS

- SHOTS: 3, at Ohio State (2/28/23)
- SHOTS ON GOAL: 3, at Ohio State (2/28/23)
- GOALS: 3, at Ohio State (2/28/23)
- ASSISTS: 2, vs. Kent State (3/03/24)
- POINTS: 3, at Ohio State (2/28/23)
- CAUSED TURNOVERS: 3, vs. Butler (3/22/23)
- GROUND BALLS: 3, twice, at Youngstown State (2/22/23), at Marquette (2/11/24)
- DRAW CONTROLS: 6, at Marquette (2/11/24)



14 | HAILEY JOY SIMPSON

M | SO. | RESTON, VA.

CAREER STATISTICS

SEASON	GP	G	A	PTS	SH	GW	GB	DC	FPG	CT
2024	17	20	4	24	38	0	12	30	7	5
2025										
TOTAL	17	20	4	24	38	0	12	30	7	5

CAREER HIGHS

- SHOTS: 5, vs. Ohio State (4/5/24)
- SHOTS ON GOAL: 4, at Xavier (3/10/24)
- GOALS: 4, at Xavier (3/10/24)
- ASSISTS: 1, at Vanderbilt (4/27/24)
- POINTS: 4, at Xavier (3/10/24)
- CAUSED TURNOVERS: 2, vs. JMU (3/23/24)
- GROUND BALLS: 3, at Xavier (3/10/24)
- DRAW CONTROLS: 4, vs. Ohio State (4/5/24)



4 | CAMRYN CALLAGHAN

A | SO. | UPPER ARLINGTON, OHIO

CAREER STATISTICS

SEASON	GP	G	A	PTS	SH	GW	GB	DC	FPG	CT
2023	18	56	12	68	127	4	21	16	12	9
2024	17	56	10	64	109	4	6	12	12	4
2025										
TOTAL	35	112	22	132	236	8	27	28	24	13

CAREER HIGHS

- SHOTS: 12 at Robert Morris (2/16/24)
- SHOTS ON GOAL: 10 vs. Marquette (2/19/23)
- GOALS: 8 vs. Marquette (2/19/23)
- ASSISTS: 3, twice, vs. Kent State (2/10/23), at James Madison (4/16/23)
- POINTS: 8 vs. Marquette (2/19/23)
- CAUSED TURNOVERS: 3 at Central Michigan (3/10/23)
- GROUND BALLS: 4, twice, at Central Michigan (3/10/23), at East Carolina (4/8/23)
- DRAW CONTROLS: 5, vs. East Carolina (3/30/24)



30 | LAUREN OTTENSMEYER

M | SR. | BALLWIN, MO. | YOUNGSTOWN

CAREER STATISTICS

SEASON	GP	G	A	PTS	SH	GW	GB	DC	FPG	CT
2021*	7	16	2	18	36	0	7	14	9	2
2022*	18	30	7	37	74	2	7	3	12	4
2023	18	39	5	44	83	2	9	1	6	13
2024	17	57	10	67	142	3	8	2	6	9
2025										
TOTAL	60	142	24	166	335	7	31	20	33	28

* at Youngstown State

CAREER HIGHS

- SHOTS: 16, at Robert Morris (2/18/24)
- SHOTS ON GOAL: 9, vs. Ohio State (4/5/24)
- GOALS: 6, vs. twice, Louisville (3/6/24), Ohio State (4/5/24)
- ASSISTS: 3, at Gardner-Webb (2/12/23)
- POINTS: 7, twice, at Robert Morris (2/18/24), vs. Ohio State (4/5/24)
- CAUSED TURNOVERS: 3, at East Carolina (4/8/23)
- GROUND BALLS: 3, 3×, vs. Kent State (3/28/21)*, vs. St. Bonaventure (2/11/22), at Xavier (3/10/24)
- DRAW CONTROLS: 5, vs. Akron (4/9/21)



9 | ALEXIS RICH

D | SR. | NORTH BRUNSWICK, N.J.

CAREER STATISTICS

SEASON	GP	GS	F	G	SH	GB	DC	CT	TO
2022	16	14	21	0	1	14	1	6	4
2023	18	18	42	0	0	20	2	12	0
2024	17	17	42	1	1	29	2	18	10
2025									
TOTAL	51	49	105	1	2	63	5	3	6

CAREER HIGHS

SHOTS: 1, 2 times, vs. Louisville (3/6/24), at Temple (4/9/22)
 SHOTS ON GOAL: 1, 2 times, vs. Louisville (3/6/24), at Temple (4/9/22)
 GOALS: 1, vs. Louisville (3/6/24)
 POINTS: 1, vs. Louisville (3/6/24)
 CAUSED TURNOVERS: 5, at Butler (2/25/24)
 MINUTES: 90:00, at Davidson (2/27/22)
 GROUND BALLS: 6, at Butler (2/25/24)



18 | MIA FEDEROVICH

D | JR. | ANNANDALE, VA.

CAREER STATISTICS

SEASON	GP	GS	F	G	SH	GB	DC	CT	TO
2023	18	13	21	4	5	7	12	3	14
2024	17	17	14	0	0	13	0	8	13
2025									
TOTAL	35	30	35	4	5	20	12	11	17

CAREER HIGHS

SHOTS: 1, at JMU (4/16/23)
 SHOTS ON GOAL: 1, at JMU (4/16/23)
 GOALS: 1, at JMU (4/16/23)
 POINTS: 2, at JMU (4/16/23)
 CAUSED TURNOVERS: 2, at Wofford (3/14/24)
 MINUTES: 85:00, at Michigan (3/12/23)
 GROUND BALLS: 3, vs. Kent State (3/3/24)
 DRAW CONTROLS: 2, vs. Vanderbilt (3/18/23)

PLAYER PROFILES - GOALKEEPERS



26 | HAILEY DARKO

GK | SO. | CANTON, GA.

CAREER STATISTICS

SEASON	GP	MIN	GA	GA/AVG	SV	SV%	W	L	GB	CTO
2024	12	237:30	56	14.12	23	.291	0	2	4	1
2025										
TOTAL	12	237:30	56	14.12	23	.291	0	2	4	1

CAREER HIGHS

SHOTS FACED: 35, vs. JMU (3/23/24)
 SAVES: 7, vs. JMU (3/23/24)
 GOALS ALLOWED: 19, vs. JMU (3/23/24)
 MINUTES: 60:00, at Vanderbilt (4/27/24)
 GROUND BALLS: 2, vs. JMU (3/23/24)

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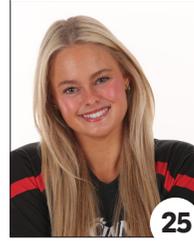
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