

2025 GAME NOTES

CINCINNATI / VOLLEYBALL

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2025 SCHEDULE (I-I, 0-0 BIG 12)

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME (ET) / RESULT
AUG. 29	WAKE FOREST&	W, 3-1
AUG. 31	MICHIGAN&	L, 1-3
Sept. 4	Ohio#	6PM
Sept. 5	Jacksonville State#	3PM
Sept. 6	Alabama#	3PM
SEPT. 9	XAVIER@	6:30PM
Sept. 12	vs. Illinois^	3PM
Sept. 13	at Illinois State^	5PM
Sept. 18	at Ball State!	11:30AM
Sept. 19	vs. Eastern Kentucky!	4PM
Sept. 24	at UCF*	6PM
SEPT. 27	WEST VIRGINIA*	1PM
OCT. 1	BYU*	6:30PM
OCT. 3	KANSAS STATE*	6:30PM
Oct. 8	at West Virginia*	6PM
Oct. 15	at TCU*	7:30PM
Oct. 17	at Baylor*	8PM
OCT. 22	UTAH*	6:30PM
OCT. 30	KANSAS*	6:30PM
NOV. 1	HOUSTON*	1PM
Nov. 6	at Kansas State*	7:30PM
Nov. 8	at Kansas*	2PM
NOV. 12	UCF*	6:30PM
Nov. 14	at Texas Tech*	7PM
NOV. 19	IOWA STATE*	6:30PM
NOV. 21	COLORADO*	6:30PM
Nov. 26	at Arizona State*	10PM
Nov. 28	at Arizona*	9PM

* - Big 12 Conference match; ! - Ball State Tournament
^ - Linda Herman Classic; & - Tribute to #10; @ - Queen City Classic; # - Chattanooga Classic
Home matches in **BOLD**; All times in ET

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CINCINNATI VOLLEYBALL



CINCINNATI BEARCATS (1-1, 0-0)

HEAD COACH: Danijela Tomić
RECORD AT UC: 1-1 (1st season)
OVERALL RECORD: 395-223 (20th)



ALABAMA CRIMSON TIDE (3-0, 0-0)

HEAD COACH: Rashinda Reed
RECORD AT UA: 35-54 (4th season)
OVERALL RECORD: 35-54 (4th season)



OHIO BOBCATS (1-2, 0-0)

HEAD COACH: Kenzie Brinkman
RECORD AT OU: 1-2 (1st season)
OVERALL RECORD: 1-2 (1st season)



JACKSONVILLE STATE GAMECOCKS (1-2, 0-0)

HEAD COACH: Derek Schroeder
RECORD AT JSU: 16-45 (3rd season)
OVERALL RECORD: 266-221 (17th season)

CINCINNATI — The University of Cincinnati volleyball team hits the road for a three day road stint at the Chattanooga Classic, beginning on Thursday.

The Bearcats kick off the tournament with Ohio University on Thursday at 6 p.m. followed by Jacksonville State on Friday at 3 p.m. Cincinnati will take on Alabama on Saturday afternoon at 3 p.m.

Head coach Danijela Tomić earned her first win as bench boss of the University of Cincinnati volleyball team with a 3-1 victory over Wake Forest.

The Bearcats return 10 players from a season ago, while also welcoming eight newcomers to Cincinnati, including five freshmen and three transfers.

SERIES HISTORY

- VS. OHIO:** The Bobcats and Bearcats have met 26 times since 1972, most recently in 2013. The Bearcats lead 18-8 in the overall series.
- VS. JACKSONVILLE STATE:** UC has a 1-0 advantage in the series with the first and only meeting dating back to 2005.
- VS. ALABAMA:** Cincinnati leads the overall series 3-0. This marks the first meeting between the two teams since 1990.

OPENING WEEKEND HIGHLIGHTS

- The Bearcats opened the 2025 season with a four-set victory over the Demon Deacons.
- Against the Demon Deacons, Sydney Nolan (21k) and Carly Glendinning (14k) were the two Bearcats with double-digit kills. Glendinning added her eighth career double-double with 11 digs.
- The Bearcats shined on the defensive end with 14 blocks, with seven and six coming from Brooke Crummel and Tatjana Simeunović, respectively. The duo made their collegiate debuts in the match.
- Cincinnati fell to Michigan, 3-1, on Sunday afternoon, splitting the opening weekend slate.
- Nolan recorded her fifth career game with 20-plus kills with a 20 kill performance against Michigan.
- Against the Wolverines, setter Andi Spies dished out 29 assists for her second straight double-digit performance alongside libero Lilly Gillespie, who anchored the defense with a team-high 19 digs.
- Cincinnati currently ranks third in the Big 12 for total digs (124).

THE TOMIĆ ERA

- Cincinnati welcomed Danijela Tomić as the 13th head coach in program history in December of 2024.
- Tomić comes to UC from Bowling Green, where she served as head coach for 13 seasons. She also spent seven seasons as head coach of Florida International. Her record as an NCAA head coach stands at 394-222 (.640).
- Tomić added three staff members to her group, two joining from her previous school.
- Zheng Xiang joined the staff in February 2025 to serve as the associate head coach and recruiting coordinator.
- Zheng Xiang (pronounced Chung Shawn) joins the Bearcats after two seasons at Michigan State (2023-24), where he helped lead the Spartans to their best win total since 2019.
- Ali Cooke (Assistant Coach) reunites with Tomić after spending the past eight seasons at Bowling Green State University, where she most recently served as associate head coach.
- Sean Drexler (Assistant Coach) joins the Cincinnati volleyball staff after working alongside Coach Tomić as Director of Operations at Bowling Green State University for the past two seasons.

RETURNING TALENT

- Cincinnati returns 10 letterwinners, including four starters from a season ago. The Bearcats bring back two of their leading point scorers, Sydney Nolan (3.38 pts/s) and Carly Glendinning (3.96 pts/s).
- Nolan played in 29 matches, covering 105 sets for the Bearcats. In 2024, she posted five double-doubles and recorded a career-high 22 kills vs. BYU (Nov. 21).
- Glendinning posted double-digit kills in 15 matches last season alongside a season-high 24 kills against Morehead State (Sept. 19).
- The Bearcats also return sophomore duo of Gretchen Sigman and Lilly Gillespie.
- Gillespie finished the 2024 season with 140 digs (1.63 dig/s) while Sigman covered the right side, recording 79 digs, 31 kills and eight blocks.

THE FUTURE IS BRIGHT

- The Bearcats welcome five talented freshmen for the 2025 season: Ava Ledebuhr, Elliott Mickelberry, Izzy Busignani, Tatjana Simeunović and Fallyn Blotzer.
- Ava Ledebuhr, a 5-8 libero from Naperville, Ill., helped Benet Academy to back-to-back IHSA 2nd-place

2025 CINCINNATI VOLLEYBALL



2025 ALPHABETICAL ROSTER					2025 NUMERICAL ROSTER						
#	NAME	POS.	HT.	CL.	#	NAME	POS.	HT.	CL.	HOMETOWN / HIGH SCHOOL / LAST SCHOOL	
6	Fallyn Blotzer	OH	6-1	Fr.	0	Andi Spies	S	5-10	So.	Fort Atkinson, Wis. / Fort Atkinson / Middle Tennessee	
16	Izzy Busignani	OH	6-1	Fr.	1	Ava Ledebuhr	L/DS	5-10	Fr.	Naperville, Ind. / Benet Academy	
24	Brooke Crummel	MB	6-3	R-Fr.	2	Sydney Nolan	OH	6-4	Jr.	Florence, Ky. / Notre Dame Academy / UNC	
22	Caroline Endres	S	5-10	Sr.	4	Carly Glendinning	OH	6-2	Sr.	Lake St. Louis, Mo. / Timberland	
5	Lilian Entenmann	MB	6-1	Jr.	5	Lilian Entenmann	MB	6-1	Jr.	Columbus, Ohio / Upper Arlington	
11	Lilly Gillespie	L/DS	5-7	So.	6	Fallyn Blotzer	OH	6-1	Fr.	Corona, Calif. / Santiago	
4	Carly Glendinning	OH	6-2	Sr.	7	Janelle Green	S	5-9	R-Fr.	Leawood, Kan. / Blue Valley North	
7	Janelle Green	S	5-9	R-Fr.	8	Ligia Williams	MB	5-11	R-Jr.	Jeffersonville, Ind. / Rock Creek Academy	
9	Kayla Hostetler	L/DS	5-6	Jr.	9	Kayla Hostetler	L/DS	5-6	Jr.	Hebron, Ky. / Notre Dame Academy	
14	McKenzie Johnson	L/DS	5-6	Gr.	11	Lilly Gillespie	L/DS	5-7	So.	Cincinnati, Ohio / Turpin	
1	Ava Ledebuhr	L/DS	5-10	Fr.	14	McKenzie Johnson	L/DS	5-6	Gr.	Rockwall, Texas / Rockwall / LA Tech	
15	Elliott Mickelberry	MB	6-2	Fr.	15	Elliott Mickelberry	MB	6-2	Fr.	Lafayette, Colo. / Centaurus	
2	Sydney Nolan	OH	6-4	Jr.	16	Izzy Busignani	OH	6-1	Fr.	Rochester Hills, Mich. / Marian	
17	Paige Pickering	OH	5-10	Sr.	17	Paige Pickering	OH	5-10	Sr.	Downers Grove, Ill. / Montini	
20	Gretchen Sigman	RS	5-11	Fr.	18	Tatjana Simeunovic	MB	6-3	Fr.	Cacak, Serbia / School of Economic	
18	Tatjana Simeunovic	MB	6-3	Fr.	20	Gretchen Sigman	RS	5-11	So.	Holland, Ohio / Springfield	
0	Andi Spies	S	5-10	So.	22	Caroline Endres	S	5-10	Sr.	Cincinnati, Ohio / Saint Ursula Academy	
8	Ligia Williams	MB	5-11	R-Jr.	24	Brooke Crummel	MB	6-3	R-Fr.	Cumming, Ga. / West Forsyth / Liberty	

COACHING STAFF			ROSTER BY POSITION		ROSTER BY STATE/COUNTRY		ROSTER BY CLASS	
Head Coach	Danijela Tomić	1st Season at Cincinnati	OUTSIDE HITTER (5): Carly Glendinning, Sydney Nolan, Paige Pickering, Izzy Busignani and Fallyn Blotzer SETTER (3): Caroline Endres, Andi Spies and Janelle Green LIBERO (4): Ava Ledebuhr, McKenzie Johnson, Kayla Hostetler and Lilly Gillespie MIDDLE BLOCKER (5): Tatjana Simeunovic, Brooke Crummel, Ligia Williams, Elliott Mickelberry and Lilian Entenmann RIGHT SIDE (1): Gretchen Sigman		OHIO (4): Lilian Entenmann, Caroline Endres, Lilly Gillespie and Gretchen Sigman ILLINOIS (1): Paige Pickering TEXAS (1): McKenzie Johnson GEORGIA (1): Brooke Crummel INDIANA (2): Ligia Williams and Ava Ledebuhr MICHIGAN (1): Izzy Busignani KANSAS (1): Janelle Green WISCONSIN (1): Andi Spies MISSOURI (1): Carly Glendinning CALIFORNIA (1): Fallyn Blotzer COLORADO (1): Elliott Mickelberry KENTUCKY (2): Kayla Hostetler and Sydney Nolan SERBIA (1): Tatjana Simeunovic		5TH YEAR (1) 14 McKenzie Johnson L/DS SENIORS (3) 4 Carly Glendinning OH 17 Paige Pickering OH 22 Caroline Endres S JUNIORS (4) 8 Ligia Williams MB 5 Lilian Entenmann MB 9 Kayla Hostetler L/DS 2 Sydney Nolan OH SOPHOMORES (4) 24 Brooke Crummel MB 7 Janelle Green S 11 Lilly Gillespie L/DS 21 Gretchen Sigman RS 0 Andi Spies S FRESHMEN (6) 1 Ava Ledebuhr L/DS 6 Fallyn Blotzer OH 15 Elliott Mickelberry MB 16 Izzy Busignani OH 18 Tatjana Simeunovic MB	
Associate Head Coach	Zheng Xiang	1st Season at Cincinnati						
Assistant Coach	Ali Cooke	1st Season at Cincinnati						
Assistant Coach	Sean Drexler	1st Season at Cincinnati						
PRONUNCIATION GUIDE								
DANIJELA TOMIC			Daniella Toe-Mitch					
ZHENG XIANG			Chung Shawn					
Carly GLENDINNING			Glen-DEN-ing					
Andi SPIES			Sp-EE-s					
LIGIA Williams			Lidg-ee-ah					
Caroline ENDRES			EN-dress					
Ava LEDEBUHR			lee-da-burr					
Kayla HOSTETLER			HO-stet-ler					
Lilly GILLESPIE			Gill-es-pee					
Gretchen SIGMAN			Sig-men					
Izzy BUSIGNANI			BOOZE-e-yani					
TATJANA SIMEUNOVIC			Tatiana Sa-moon-ah-vich					

TELEVISION ROSTER



0 **ANDI SPIES**
S | FORT ATKINSON, WIS.



1 **AVA LEDEBUHR**
L/DS | NAPERVILLE, ILL.



2 **SYDNEY NOLAN**
OH | FLORENCE KY.



4 **CARLY GLENDINNING**
OH | LAKE ST. LOUIS, MO.



5 **LILIAN ENTENMANN**
MB | COLUMBUS, OHIO



6 **FALLYN BLOTZER**
OH | CORONA, CALIF.



7 **JANELLE GREEN**
S | LEAWOOD, KAN.



8 **LIGIA WILLIAMS**
MB | JEFFERSONVILLE, IND.



9 **KAYLA HOSTETLER**
L/DS | HEBRON, KY.



11 **LILLY GILLESPIE**
DS/L | CINCINNATI, OHIO



14 **MCKENZIE JOHNSON**
L/DS | ROCKWELL, TEXAS



15 **ELLIOTT MICKELBERRY**
MB | LAFAYETTE, COLO.



16 **IZZY BUSIGNANI**
OH | ROCHESTER HILLS, MICH.



17 **PAIGE PICKERING**
OH | DOWNERS GROVE, ILL.



18 **TATIANA SIMEUNOVIC**
MB | CACAK, SERBIA



20 **GRETCHEN SIGMAN**
RS | HOLLAND, OHIO



22 **CAROLINE ENDRES**
S | CINCINNATI, OHIO



24 **BROOKE CRUMMEL**
MB | CUMMING, GA.

HEAD COACH DANIJELA TOMIĆ | FIRST SEASON



University of Cincinnati Director of Athletics John Cunningham announced on Dec. 23, 2024 the hire of Danijela Tomić as the Bearcats’ head volleyball coach. Tomić will be the 13th head coach in program history.

Tomić comes to UC from Bowling Green, where she served as head coach for 13 seasons. She also spent seven seasons as head coach of Florida International. Her record as an NCAA head coach stands at 394-222 (.640).

Overall, she has guided her teams to five NCAA Tournament appearances and seen her players collect nine All-America honors. Tomić is a six-time conference coach of the year.

In 13 seasons as head coach at BGSU, she led the Falcons to five MAC regular-season titles, three MAC Tournament championships and three NCAA Tournament appearances, including the program’s first NCAA Tournament win in 2012. She was named MAC Coach of the Year three times at Bowling Green, most recently winning the honor in 2024.

Under her leadership, the Falcons secured seven 20-win seasons, reached the MAC Tournament Championship match five consecutive years (2019-2023), and set program records for winning streaks and overall performance.

Tomić’s teams earned All-MAC recognition in each of her 13 seasons at Bowling Green, including at least one All-MAC First Team honoree in nine consecutive years, and posted five straight seasons with an All-Region member.

In 2024, Tomić led the Falcons to 25 victories, the highest single-season total during her tenure, and guided the team to an NIVC runner-up finish. Bowling Green also captured the MAC regular-season title with a 16-2 conference record, tied for the second-most MAC wins in program history during an 18-match schedule.

Under her guidance, Bowling Green produced two AVCA All-Americans—Lauryn Hovey, an Honorable Mention in 2024, and Petra Indrova, who earned Honorable Mention honors in both 2021 and 2022. She led BGSU to back-to-back MAC regular-season titles in 2017 and 2018 as well as 2020-21 and 2022.

During the 2020-21 season, the program saw an 18-0 start in MAC play, marking the best conference start in both MAC and BGSU Athletics history.

In 2012, she guided the Falcons to a MAC Tournament title and an NCAA appearance in her first season at BGSU.

Prior to her arrival at Bowling Green, Tomić was a three-time Sun Belt Conference Coach of the Year at Florida International. In seven years as head coach at FIU, she compiled a record of 158-61 (.721).

A 1999 graduate of Arkansas-Little Rock, Tomić was named Sun Belt Conference Coach of the Year in 2006, 2008, and 2009, guiding the Panthers to the NCAA Tournament in each of those last two seasons.

Tomić took over at FIU in 2005 and made an immediate impact as her team improved by 12 wins over the previous season and reached the SBC Tournament as the No. 6 seed after missing out in two of the previous three years before her arrival.

Tomić played at UALR from 1995-97 as an outside hitter, right side hitter, and setter, helping to lead the team to the 1996 NCAA Tournament.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

HOMETOWN:

Catici, Bosnia and Herzegovina

ALMA MATER:

Arkansas Little-Rock (1999)
Concordia University Irvine (2021)

YEAR IN COACHING: 20th

PLAYING CAREER

Arkansas Little-Rock (1995-97)

PRONUNCIATION:

DANIELLA TOE-MITCH



COACHING CAREER

Cincinnati	Head Coach, 2024-Present
BGSU	Head Coach, 2012-24
Florida International	Head Coach, 2005-11
Louisiana State	Associate Coach, 2003-04
UALR	Assistant Coach, 1997-03

EDUCATION

Arkansas Little Rock
B.S. | Health Education ('99)
Concordia University Irvine
M. A. | Coaching & Athletics Administration ('21)

YEAR-BY-YEAR COACHING RECORDS

Year	Team	Overall	Conf.	
2024	BGSU	25-10 (.714)	16-2	MAC
2023	BGSU	19-13 (.594)	11-7	MAC
2022	BGSU	22-10 (.688)	15-3	MAC
2021	BGSU	21-9 (.700)	16-2	MAC
2020-21	BGSU	22-2 (.917)	20-1	MAC
2019	BGSU	20-13 (.606)	11-5	MAC
2018	BGSU	19-12 (.613)	13-3	MAC
2017	BGSU	17-12 (.586)	13-3	MAC
2016	BGSU	21-10 (.677)	10-6	MAC
2015	BGSU	7-22 (.241)	3-13	MAC
2014	BGSU	7-21 (.250)	4-12	MAC
2013	BGSU	14-16 (.467)	10-6	MAC
2012	BGSU	22-11 (.667)	13-3	MAC
2011	FIU	20-10 (.667)	10-6	SUN BELT
2010	FIU	20-11 (.645)	12-4	SUN BELT
2009	FIU	32-4 (.889)	17-0	SUN BELT
2008	FIU	28-7 (.800)	15-2	SUN BELT
2007	FIU	19-8 (.704)	12-5	SUN BELT
2006	FIU	24-8 (.750)	14-3	SUN BELT
2005	FIU	15-13 (.536)	5-6	SUN BELT
Career Total		394-222 (.640)	240-92 (.383)	



ZHENG XIANG

ASSOCIATE COACH/RECRUITING COORDINATOR

FIRST SEASON • INDIANA UNIVERSITY, 2000

- Zheng Xiang (pronounced Chung Shawn) joins the Bearcats after two seasons at Michigan State (2023-24), where he helped lead the Spartans to their best win total since 2019.
- Before MSU, he spent nine years at Rice, where he was elevated to associate head coach for his final four seasons. A proven recruiter, Xiang played a key role in assembling top-ranked recruiting classes at both Rice and UTSA.
- At Rice, Xiang played a key role in the program's rise, guiding the Owls to five straight NCAA Tournament appearances (2018-22) and multiple Conference USA titles. Rice posted a 199-69 (.742) record during his tenure, including a No. 19 national ranking in 2022. He also developed numerous All-Americans and All-Region players while serving as the team's defensive coordinator.
- Xiang served as a volunteer assistant coach at Texas A&M for one season (2013) in which the Aggies reached the second round of the NCAA Tournament. He was an assistant coach at Texas at San Antonio for five seasons (2008-12) prior to his year in College Station.
- Originally from Chicago, Xiang earned his bachelor's degree in business from Indiana in 2000 and an MBA in marketing from Texas' McCombs School of Business in 2006. Xiang was a member of Indiana's club team from 1997-2000 and was the squad's captain his final season. He also played two years at Texas, where he earned first-team All-Southern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association honors in 2006.



ALI COOKE

ASSISTANT COACH

FIRST SEASON • WINGATE UNIVERSITY, 2014

- Cooke reunites with Tomic after spending the past eight seasons at Bowling Green State University, where she most recently served as associate head coach.
- While there, she helped guide the Falcons to multiple championships, including three MAC regular season titles (2017, 2018, 2024) and two MAC Tournament crowns (2020-21, 2022) that led to NCAA Tournament appearances. The program also made five consecutive MAC Tournament Championship appearances (2019-2023), the longest streak in over a decade.
- Before BGSU, Cooke was a volunteer assistant coach at Duke (2015-2017), helping the Blue Devils to back-to-back winning seasons, including a 21-9 finish in 2016.
- As a player, she was a standout setter at Wingate, leading the Bulldogs to three NCAA Elite Eight appearances and earning two AVCA All-American honors. A native of Davidson, N.C., Cooke holds a psychology degree from Wingate and a master's in coaching and athletic administration from Concordia University Irvine.



SEAN DREXL

ASSISTANT COACH

FIRST SEASON • UNIVERSITY OF CHARLESTON, 2021

- Drexler joins the Cincinnati volleyball staff after working alongside Coach Tomic as Director of Operations at Bowling Green State University for the past two seasons.
- During his tenure, he contributed to the Falcons' historic 2024 campaign, which saw a 25-10 record, a MAC Championship, and an NIVC Runner-Up finish.
- Before BGSU, Drexler served as an assistant coach at Presbyterian College and Georgia Southern, where he was involved in scouting, film review, statistical analysis, and match preparation.
- His coaching career began as the U16 head coach for MVP Academy in Florida while he played collegiately as a libero at the University of Charleston. A 2021 All-Conference EIVA Second Team selection, Drexler earned his bachelor's degree in exercise science from Charleston.



QUICK FACTS

GENERAL

Location	Cincinnati, OH 45221
Founded	1819
Enrollment.....	54,000
Conference	Big 12
Nickname.....	Bearcats
Colors.....	Red (PMS 186) & Black
Home Court	Fifth Third Arena
President.....	Neville G. Pinto, PhD
Director of Athletics.....	John Cunningham
Faculty Representative.....	Brian Hatch, PhD

HISTORY

First Year of Volleyball.....	1972
All-Time Record	1,066-678
No. Yrs in NCAA Tournament/Last	13/2019
Last NCAA Postseason Opponent	Penn State, 2-3

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach.....	Danijela Tomić (UALR, '99)
Overall Record (Year).....	394-222 (20th)
Record at Cincinnati (Year)	0-0 (1st)
Associate Coach.....	Zheng Xiang (Indiana, '00)
Year at Cincinnati	1st
Assistant Coach.....	Ali Cooke (Wingate, '14)
Year at Cincinnati	1st
Assistant Coach.....	Sean Drexel (Charleston, '21)
Year at Cincinnati	1st

2024 INFORMATION

Overall Record:.....	14-15
Home	5-7
Road	7-6
Neutral.....	2-2
Conference Record	5-13
Home	2-7
Road	3-6
Finish.....	12th

2025 TEAM

Starters Returning/Lost:	4/3
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2025 SCHEDULE INFORMATION

Home/Away/Neutral Games:	12/13/4
Big 12 Home/Away Games:	9/9
Non-Conf. Home/Away, Neutral Games:	3/4/4

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finishes (39–3 and 40–2 seasons), earning two Best Defensive Player awards and contributing key digs in big matches.

- Elliott Mickelberry, a 6-2 middle/opposite from Lafayette, Colo., was 27th in her state in blocks as a junior, earned All-Conference honors in high school and helped Norco VBC to a state runner-up and national berth.
- Izzy Busignani, a 6-1 outside hitter out of Michigan, tallied 581 kills, 310 digs and 45 aces as a senior, earning MaxPreps All-America honors and AAU All-American status. She joined the program in the spring.
- Tatjana Simeunović, at 6-3 from Serbia, brings a club résumé that includes helping Borac win the Second Serbian League and earn promotion.
- Fallyn Blotzer, a 6-1 outside hitter from Corona, Calif., was the No. 1 recruit in California, led Santiago High to record-setting freshman kill totals and consistently dominated with kills, aces, and digs.

IMPACT TRANSFERS POISED TO LEAD BEARCATS

- The Bearcats have bolstered their roster with three key transfers ahead of the 2025 season. Setter Andi Spies (Middle Tennessee) brings a decorated freshman résumé, including C-USA Freshman of the Year and over 1,100 assists.
- Graduate transfer libero McKenzie Johnson (Louisiana Tech) adds veteran leadership, holding school records in digs and service aces. Johnson played 301 sets across 87 matches with 1,341 career digs, 107 aces and 248 assists. She holds LA Tech records for career digs per set (4.46), single-season digs per set (5.24), and single-match digs (37).
- Middle blocker Brooke Crummel (Liberty) brings size, versatility, and high-level prep experience after redshirting her freshman year. A three-time GVCA All-Region, 2023 Region Co-Player of the Year. PrepVolleyball Top 150 and AAU All-American.

W.I.N. THE DAY

- For the 2025 season, the team has coined the phrase “W.I.N. The Day” as a team slogan.
- W, standing for What’s, I = Important, N= Now, the team focuses on winning each and every day and how they can get 1% better together.
- They have also distinguished six core values to represent the program: love, unity, excellence, courage, resilience and discipline.

KANSAS CITY CONNECTION

- Redshirt freshman Janelle Green always has her biggest fan in the stands — her dad, Trent Green.
- The former Kansas City Chiefs quarterback (2001–06) still lives in Kansas City and never misses a home match.
- Cincinnati football kicks off its season in Kansas City on Aug. 28 at Arrowhead Stadium, and the very next day, Cincinnati volleyball opens its season at home in Fifth Third Arena.

IT RUNS IN THE FAMILY

- **Janelle Green:** Father, Trent, was a quarterback in the NFL for 15 years. Brother TJ played football for Northwestern; brother Derek played football for SMU
- **Lilian Entenmann:** Father played basketball at Stetson and professionally in Germany. Brother currently plays at Kent State
- **Brooke Crummel:** Second cousin plays Volleyball at New Mexico State
- **Andi Spies:** Sister plays Volleyball at Dominican University
- **Ava Ledebuhr:** Mom played Softball at Quincy University
- **Izzy Busignani:** Brother is a Diver at Grand Valley State
- **Sydney Nolan:** Father played Baseball at Findlay

A TRUE CINCINNATI KID

- Senior Caroline Endres attended preschool, kindergarten, and high school all on the same two streets in Clifton.
- Endres attended high school at St. Ursula Academy right on E. McMillan St.

WORKIN' 9-5

- Rising seniors Caroline Endres and Carly

Glendinning completed internships in Cincinnati.

- Endres spent the summer with Fidelity Investments in its Financial Operations sector, where she worked on a student-athlete initiative showcasing transferable athletic skills to the workforce
- Glendinning served as Management Trainee Intern at Cintas, where she was assigned a new department to shadow each week.
- Endres is studying Mechanical Engineering here at UC while Glendinning is in the Lindner School of Business Honors program.
- During the summers of 2023-24, Glendinning interned at Dayton Freight, gaining valuable insights into logistics and operations. She will also continue to work at Top Tier Lessons throughout the year.
- Glendinning earned the Jean Stephens Award in the spring of 2024, an honor given to student-athletes who exemplify the character and values of a past UC employee.

QUEEN CITY CONNECTION

- Former high school teammates and best friends Sydney Nolan and Kayla Hostetler reunited for the 2024 season. The duo attended Notre Dame Academy in Northern Kentucky.
- Both athletes previously played club volleyball for NKVVC.

WALKER RESIGNS WITH FURY

- Former Bearcat Abby Walker resigns with the Columbus Fury after a successful first year.
- In her rookie season, she recorded 99 kills (1.39 avg/s) alongside 99 blocks.
- Walker was drafted by the Columbus Fury in the 2024 PVF Collegiate Draft on Monday, Nov. 25. She was picked in the fourth round as the 32nd overall selection.
- Walker resigned with the Fury for the 2026 season.
- She joined a growing list of former Bearcats making their mark in the professional volleyball world, including Jordan Thompson, who suited up for LOVB Houston Volleyball last winter, and Elissa Alcantara, who currently plays for Volley Bergamo in the Italian Women's Volleyball League.

STANDING IN THE HALL OF FAME

- Former Bearcat Jessie Nevitt was announced as a member of the 2025 James P. Kelly UC Athletics Hall of Fame Class.
- Nevitt was a three-time AVCA Honorable Mention All-American, four-time First Team All-BIG EAST selection and 2005 BIG EAST Rookie of the Year.
- She also led UC to its first BIG EAST regular-season title and four NCAA Tournament appearances.
- The 2025 Hall of Fame Class will be formally inducted during Homecoming Weekend on Friday, Oct. 24, at Fifth Third Arena and recognized during the Bearcats' football game vs. Baylor on Saturday, Oct. 25, at Historic Nippert Stadium.

ACADEMIC SUCCESS

- Cincinnati received the American Volleyball Coaches Association Team Academic Award for the 12th consecutive year after compiling a 3.735 GPA during the 2024-25 academic year.
- The team also earned the additional distinction of AVCA Team Academic Honor Roll, representing the top 20% of GPAs nationally by division.
- The award, initiated in the 1992–93 academic year, honors collegiate and high school volleyball teams that display excellence in the classroom by maintaining at least a 3.30 cumulative team GPA.
- 12 teams from the Big 12 earned the team accolade (Arizona State, BYU, UCF, Cincinnati, Colorado, Houston, Iowa State, Kansas, Texas Tech, Utah and West Virginia).

JORDAN THOMPSON CONTINUES TO SHINE

- Former University of Cincinnati volleyball standout Jordan Thompson claimed silver at the 2024 Paris Olympics. She became the first Bearcat to win an Olympic medal at multiple Games.
- She was also the second Bearcat to medal from the 2024 Paris Olympic Games, joining Annette Echikunwoke (silver, hammer throw).
- Jordan Thompson was inducted into 2024 James P. Kelly UC Athletics Hall of Fame Class on Friday, Sept. 20. She was on hand for the incredible honor.

2025 BIG 12 CONFERENCE STANDINGS

TEAM	BIG 12	CPCT.	OVERALL	PCT.	STREAK	C-HOME	C-AWAY	C-NEUTRAL	C-STREAK
Arizona	0-0	.000	3-0	1.000	W3	0-0	0-0	0-0	
BYU	0-0	.000	3-0	1.000	W3	0-0	0-0	0-0	
Colorado	0-0	.000	3-0	1.000	W3	0-0	0-0	0-0	
Houston	0-0	.000	3-0	1.000	W3	0-0	0-0	0-0	
UCF	0-0	.000	3-0	1.000	W3	0-0	0-0	0-0	
Utah	0-0	.000	3-0	1.000	W3	0-0	0-0	0-0	
West Virginia	0-0	.000	3-0	1.000	W3	0-0	0-0	0-0	
Iowa State	0-0	.000	2-0	1.000	W2	0-0	0-0	0-0	
Kansas State	0-0	.000	2-0	1.000	W2	0-0	0-0	0-0	
Arizona State	0-0	.000	2-1	.667	L1	0-0	0-0	0-0	
Baylor	0-0	.000	2-1	.667	W1	0-0	0-0	0-0	
Texas Tech	0-0	.000	2-1	.667	W2	0-0	0-0	0-0	
CINCINNATI	0-0	.000	1-1	.500	L1	0-0	0-0	0-0	
TCU	0-0	.000	1-1	.500	W1	0-0	0-0	0-0	
Kansas	0-0	.000	1-3	.250	L3	0-0	0-0	0-0	

- Thompson returned to UC that week and was honored at the Bearcats' match versus Morehead State on Sept. 19.
- She won an Olympic silver Medal in volleyball with Team USA in 2024 after capturing Gold in 2021. Thompson was a three-time AAC Player of the Year and two-time AVCA All-American, leading the Bearcats to their first Sweet 16 in 2019.

THIS IS VOLLEYBALL COUNTRY

- The Big 12 finished the 2024 season with five ranked teams, tied for the most in Big 12 history.
- The conference has six teams selected to the 2024 NCAA Championships, the second consecutive season the conference had at least six teams make the field.
- The Big 12 features three new head coaches in 20205 including Cincinnati's Danijela Tomić UCF's Matt Botsford and Kansas; Matt Ulmer.

UC'S NCAA TOURNAMENT HISTORY

- 1981: at Penn State, L 0-3
- 1999: vs Santa Clara, L 1-3
- 2000: vs No. 20 Notre Dame, L 0-3
- 2001: vs Xavier, W 3-1; at No. 10 Ohio State, L 1-3
- 2002: vs Arizona State, L 2-3
- 2003: vs UCF, L 2-3
- 2008: vs WKU, W 3-2; at No. 9 Illinois, L 0-3
- 2009: at Ohio State, L 1-3
- 2010: vs WKU, W 0-3; at No. 14 Illinois, L 1-3
- 2011: vs Samford, W 3-2; vs Florida State, L 2-3
- 2016: vs No. 16 Florida State, L 1-3
- 2018: vs Illinois State, 3-0; at No. 15 Marquette, L 0-3
- 2019: vs VCU, W 3-1; at No. 6 Pitt, W 3-2; vs. No. 11 Penn State, L 2-3

SEASON HONORS

BIG 12 OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

NAME	Date
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BIG 12 DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

NAME	Date
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BIG 12 ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

NAME	Date
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BIG 12 PRESEASON POLL

1. BYU (6), 180 points
2. Kansas (4), 170 points
3. Arizona State (3), 168 points
4. Utah (1), 159 points
5. TCU (1), 141 points
6. Baylor, 137 points
7. Arizona, 131 points
8. Kansas State, 95 points
9. Iowa State, 92 points
10. Colorado, 84 points
11. Houston, 75 points
12. Texas Tech, 46 points
13. CINCINNATI, 38 points
14. UCF, 32 points
15. West Virginia, 27 points
16. First-place votes in parentheses.



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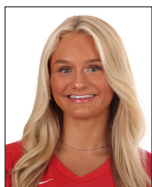
S / SO. / 5-10

FORT ATKINSON, WIS. / FORT ATKINS / MIDDLE TENNESSEE

AT MTSU:

- Started in all 31 matches/119 sets and earned accolades including Conference USA Freshman of the Year, Conference USA Second Team All-Conference and Conference USA All-Freshman Team.
- Her 1,115 assists rank fourth in the 25-point era single-season record list and is first among freshman and finished second in C-USA
- Led the team with 44 service aces which ranks second on the 25-point era single-season record list
- Was one of two student-athletes in C-USA to record a triple-double last season and the first in MTSU program history, recording 38 assists, 11 kills and 11 digs vs. SEMO, adding three aces and three blocks
- Recorded 15 double-doubles, 50 or more assists three times and 40 or more assists 13 times

		Attack					Set			Serve			Recept			Blocking			Team						
Date	Opponent	SP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	TA	PCT	SA	SE	TA	PCT	RE	TA	PCT	DIG	BS	BA	BETOTAL	BHE	POINTS	HIT%	SCORE	
08/29/2025	Wake Forest	*4	6	0	11	.545	31	82	.378	1	2	10	.800	0	0	.000	8	0	3	0	3.0	0	8.5	.301	3-1
08/31/2025	Michigan	*4	2	2	9	.000	29	88	.330	0	1	7	.857	0	0	.000	9	0	2	0	2.0	0	3.0	.201	1-3
Totals			8	2	20	.300	60	170	.353	1	3	17	.824	0	0	.000	17	0	5	0	5.0	0	11.5		



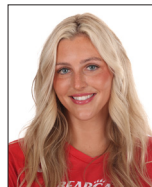
1 // AVA LEDEBUHR

L/DS / FR. / 5-8

NAPERVILLE, IND. / BENET ACADEMY

- Helped guide Benet to back-to-back second-place finishes at the IHSA State Championships during her junior and senior seasons
- Was key in securing consecutive Conference, Regional, Sectional and Super-Sectional championships
- Names Most Improved Player as a senior and was twice honored as Best Defensive Player
- Played for No.1-ranked club in Illinois in 1st Alliance

		Attack			Set		Serve			Recept			Blocking			Team									
Date	Opponent	SP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	TA	PCT	SA	SE	TA	PCT	RE	TA	PCT	DIG	BS	BA	BETOTAL	BHE	POINTS	HIT%	SCORE	
08/29/2025	Wake Forest	*4	0	0	0	.000	3	7	.429	2	2	17	.882	0	11	1.000	17	0	0	0	0.0	0	2.0	.301	3-1
08/31/2025	Michigan	*4	0	0	1	.000	1	3	.333	0	0	11	1.000	0	5	1.000	10	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	.201	1-3
Totals			0	0	1	.000	4	10	.400	2	2	28	.929	0	16	1.000	27	0	0	0	0.0	0	2.0		



2 // SYDNEY NOLAN

RS/OH / JR. / 6-4

FLORENCE, KY. / NOTRE DAME ACADEMY / UNC

- Played in 29 matches, covering 105 sets in 2024
- Split time at the right side and outside hitter
- Finished the season with 20-plus kills in three of the final four matches
- Captured eight kills in the fifth set and earned her first 20-kill match of her career (22) in win over #24 BYU
- Posted five double-doubles in 2024
- Delivered a standout performance vs. Morehead State (9/21), racking up a career-high 19 kills at a .429 clip (19k-1e-42a) to go with 13 digs
- Tallied a career-high 19 digs to go with 10 kills vs. Akron (9/17)
- Posted first career double-double with 12 kills and 11 digs vs. Xavier (9/12)
- Named to Bellarmine Classic All-Tournament Team after averaging 3.90 kills, 2.30 digs and 0.60 blocks per set across three matches
- Earned ACC All-Freshman honors; led the Tar Heels with a .391 hitting percentage, which ranked seventh in the ACC, and 1.06 blocks per set
- Played middle blocker at UNC; was set to move back to the outside position at UC, which she played in club
- Father played baseball at The University of Findlay

		Attack			Set			Serve			Recept			Blocking			Team								
Date	Opponent	SP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	TA	PCT	SA	SE	TA	PCT	DIG	BS	BA	BETOTAL	BHE	POINTS	HIT%	SCORE				
08/29/2025	Wake Forest	*4	21	4	50	.340	0	1	.000	0	2	16	.875	0	21	1.000	7	1	1	0	2.0	0	22.5	.301	3-1
08/31/2025	Michigan	*4	20	8	49	.245	0	6	.000	0	0	13	1.000	0	20	1.000	4	0	0	1	0.0	0	20.0	.201	1-3
Totals			41	12	99	.293	0	7	.000	0	2	29	.931	0	41	1.000	11	1	1	1	2.0	0	42.5		



4 // CARLY GLENDINNING

OH / SR. / 6-2

LAKE ST. LOUIS, MO. / TIMBERLAND

- Played in 28 matches, covering 94 sets in 2024
- Recorded double-digit kills in 15 matches, including 20+ kills five times
- Notched first double-double of the season vs. Texas Tech (21k/11d)
- Posted a career-high 24 kills at a .310 clip vs. Morehead State (9/19)
- Had seven of her 22 kills in the fifth set vs. Akron
- Named Cincinnati's Big 12 Student-Athlete of the Month for October of 2024
- Saw time at right side to begin in 2023 before season-ending injury to Jadyn Bauss moved Glendinning back to outside for Big 12 play
- Named Second Team All-AAC in 2022 after posting a team-high 312 kills
- Industrial management major and member of the Lindner Business Honors; aspires to lead people through an operations role in a company

		Attack					Set		Serve				Recept			Blocking			Team						
Date	Opponent	SP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	TA	PCT	SA	SE	TA	PCT	RE	TA	PCT	DIG	BS	BA	BETOTAL	BHE	POINTS	HIT%	SCORE	
08/29/2025	Wake Forest	*4	15	2	39	.333	2	6	.333	1	0	18	1.000	1	32	.969	12	0	3	0	3.0	0	17.5	.301	3-1
08/31/2025	Michigan	*4	15	1	35	.400	0	4	.000	0	2	17	.882	1	23	.957	5	1	0	0	1.0	0	16.0	.201	1-3
Totals			30	3	74	.365	2	10	.200	1	2	35	.943	2	55	.964	17	1	3	0	4.0	0	33.5		



5 // LILIAN ENTENMANN

MB / JR. / 6-1

COLUMBUS, OHIO / UPPER ARLINGTON

- Appeared in one match in the 2024 season
- Mother was born and raised in Germany which allows Lilian to have dual citizenship; she is also fluent in German
- Mother practices healthcare law, which inspired Lilian to pursue a career in law. Wants to play professionally in Germany for a year before attending law school
- Appeared in 11 matches in 2023 as a serving specialist
- Father played basketball at Stetson, brother currently plays at Kent State



6 // FALLYN BLOTZER

OH / FR. / 6-1

CORONA, CALIF. / SANTIAGO

- Set a program record at Santiago High School for most kills by a freshman
- Earned First Team All-League honors every season and was named Offensive Player of the Year and MVP twice
- Led her team to a No. 1 ranking in California
- Recognized as the No. 1 overall player in the state for the class of 2025
- Led her team in kills, kills per set, aces and digs across multiple seasons

#6 BLOTZER, Fallyn

		Attack			Set			Serve			Recept			Blocking			Team								
Date	Opponent	SP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	TA	PCT	SA	SE	TA	PCT	RE	TA	PCT	DIG	BS	BA	BE	TOTAL	BHE	POINTS	HIT%	SCORE
08/31/2025	Michigan	1	0	1	2	-.500	0	1	.000	0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	.201	1-3
Totals		1	0	1	2	-.500	0	1	.000	0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0		



7 // JANELLE GREEN

S / R-FR. / 5-9

LEAWOOD, KAN. / BLUE VALLEY NORTH

- Made season debut vs. eighth-ranked Kansas due to injury to starting setter Katelyn Lefler (Oct. 10)
- Ranked No. 1 setter out of Kansas by Prep Dig, No. 11 nationally for her position coming out of high school
- 2023 AVCA Girls High School Honorable Mention All-America
- Father, Trent, was a quarterback in the NFL for 15 years with the Chiefs, Rams, Dolphins, Commanders and Chargers
- Brother TJ played football for Northwestern; brother Derek played football for SMU; cousin, Ben Skowronek, currently plays for the Houston Texans
- Janelle and her siblings all don a jersey number worn by their father
- Received the "Fearless Spirit Award" in high school, in honor of her first volleyball coach, Janice Van Gorp, who passed away in 2015
- Redshirted her freshman season
- Can play the guitar

Date	Opponent	SP	Attack			Set			Serve			Recept			Blocking			Team									
			K	E	T	A	PCT	A	T	A	PCT	R	E	T	A	PCT	D	B	S	B	E	TOTAL	BHE	POINTS	HIT%	SCORE	
08/29/2025	Wake Forest	2	1	0	3	.333	10	24	.417	2	0	10	1.000	0	0	.000	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.0	.301	3-1	
08/31/2025	Michigan	2	1	0	3	.333	9	25	.360	0	0	4	1.000	0	0	.000	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	.201	1-3	
Totals			4	2	0	.6	.333	19	49	.388	2	0	14	1.000	0	0	.000	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4.0		



8 // LIGIA WILLIAMS

MB / R-JR. / 5-11

JEFFERSONVILLE, IND. / ROCK CREEK ACADEMY

- Played in 21 matches, covering 60 sets in 2024
- Recorded a career-high 10 blocks against Baylor, the most by a player since 2018
- Completed her first full, healthy season with the Bearcats in 2023
- Had nine matches with five-or-more blocks last season, including career-high nine at West Virginia
- Averaged a team-high 1.12 blocks per set in 2023
- Her 19 solo blocks last year ranked seventh in program history for a single season since the implementation of rally scoring
- Played in six matches in 2022 before suffering a season-ending injury
- Redshirt her freshman season in 2021
- Attended Rock Creek Academy and was only the second student ever to play for Division I school
- Will sit out the 2025 season due to injury after missing portions of the previous three seasons
- Has a twin sister, Lajoy; her cousin Janelle Jenkins played volleyball for the University of Louisville



9 // KAYLA HOSTETLER

L/DS / SO. / 5-6

HEBRON, KY. / NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

- Did not see playing time last season
- Member of defensive trio in 2023, playing in 25 matches with 16 starts
- Was third on the team in digs (166) and fourth in service aces (17) in 2023
- Five matches with double-digit digs in 2023, with season-high 19 coming against South Carolina



11 // LILLY GILLESPIE

L/DS / SO. / 5-7

CINCINNATI, OHIO / TURPIN

- Played in 28 matches, covering 86 sets in 2024
- Tallied a season-high 20 digs against Baylor (Nov. 27)
- Recorded double-digits digs in five matches, including three straight in Big 12 play
- Posted career-high four aces to go with 11 digs in win at #24 BYU (Nov. 21)
- Made collegiate debut in season opener versus Illinois
- Four-year letterwinner at local Turpin High School

		Attack			Set			Serve			Recept			Blocking			Team									
Date	Opponent	SP	K	E	T	A	PCT	A	T	PCT	S	A	S	E	T	PCT	D	B	S	B	E	TOTAL	BHE	POINTS	HIT%	SCORE
08/29/2025	Wake Forest	4	0	0	1	.000	4	14	.286	0	0	10	1.000	0	10	1.000	14	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.301	3-1
08/31/2025	Michigan	4	0	0	2	.000	2	13	.154	0	1	14	.929	3	31	.903	19	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.201	1-3
Totals		8	0	0	3	.000	6	27	.222	0	1	24	.958	3	41	.927	33	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	



14 // MCKENZIE JOHNSON

L/DS / GR. / 5-6

ROCKWALL, TEXAS / ROCKWALL / LA TECH

AT LA TECH:

- Played in 301 sets across 87 matches, totaling 1,341 digs, 107 aces and 248 assists in her career
- All-Conference USA selection and named to the All-Freshman Team.
- Holds LA Tech's program records for career digs per set (4.46), single-season digs per set (5.24) and single-match digs (37)
- She also ranks fifth all-time in total digs for the Bulldogs (1,341).

#14 JOHNSON, McKenzie

		Attack				Set		Serve				Recept			Blocking				Team								
Date	Opponent	SP	K	E	T	A	PCT	A	T	A	PCT	R	E	T	A	PCT	D	B	S	B	E	TOTAL	BHE	POINTS	HIT%	SCORE	
08/31/2025	Michigan	2	0	0	0	.000	0	3	.000	0	1	4	.750	0	7	1.000	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	.201	1-3
Totals		2	0	0	0	.000	0	3	.000	0	1	4	.750	0	7	1.000	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0		



15 // ELLIOTT MICKELBERRY

MB / FR. / 6-2

LAFAYETTE, COLO. / CENTAURUS

- Played for Centaurus High School
- Ranked as a junior 27th in the state for blocks and first in the league
- Played for Norco Volleyball Club, where she finished second in the state and earned a national bid
- Also played varsity tennis for three years

#15 MICKELBERRY, Elliott

			Attack			Set			Serve			Recept			Blocking			Team								
Date	Opponent	SP	K	E	T	A	PCT	A	T	A	PCT	R	E	T	A	PCT	D	B	S	B	E	TOTAL	BHE	POINTS	HIT%	SCORE
08/31/2025	Michigan	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	.201	1-3
Totals		1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0		



16 // IZZY BUSIGNANI

OH / FR. / 6-1

ROCHESTER HILLS, MICH. / MARIAN

- Two-time nominee for Michigan Gatorade Player of the Year and State Champs Player of the Year
- Three-time First Team All-state, All-Region and All-Catholic selection
- As a senior, tallied 581 kills, 310 digs and 40 aces, leading her team in kills, kills per set, and hitting percentage for three consecutive seasons
- Earned MaxPreps All-America Honors
- Played club for Mizuno
- Joined the program as an early enrollee in the spring

Date	Opponent	SP	K	E	TA	PCT	ATA	PCT	SA	SE	TA	PCT	RE	TA	PCT	DIG	BS	BA	BE	TOTAL	BHE	POINTS	HIT%	SCORE
08/29/2025	Wake Forest	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	2	.500	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	.301	3-1
Totals		1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	2	.500	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	.301	3-1



17 // PAIGE PICKERING

OH / SR. / 5-10

DOWNERS GROVE, ILL. / MONTINI

- Appeared in 10 matches covering 26 sets in 2023
- Utility player who saw action as a setter in 2022



18 // TATJANA SIMEUNOVIĆ

MB / FR. / 6-3

CACAK, SERBIA / SCHOOL OF ECONOMIC

- Helped lead her club Borac to a Second Serbian League title and promotion to the First Serbian League
- Gained valuable experience competing for Sloboda in Čacak

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08/31/2025	Michigan	*4	1	1	6	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	10	1.000	0	0	0	.000	5	0	1	0	1.0	0	1.5	.201	1-3
Totals		8	2	3	13	.077	0	2	.000	0	1	21	.952	0	0	0	.000	6	1	7	0	8.0	0	6.5		



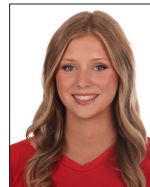
20 // GRETCHEN SIGMAN

RS / SO. / 5-11

HOLLAND, OHIO / SPRINGFIELD

- Played in 19 matches, including 14 in Big 12 play
- Registered a season-high 11 digs in win at #24 BYU
- Ended the 2024 season with 79 digs, 31 kills and eight blocks
- Posted eight kills, five digs and four aces in first career start vs. Texas Tech
- Made collegiate debut in season opener versus Illinois

Date	Opponent	SP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	TA	PCT	SA	SE	TA	PCT	RE	TA	PCT	DIG	BS	BA	BE	TOTAL	BHE	POINTS	HIT%	SCORE
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08/31/2025	Michigan	4	4	4	17	.000	0	2	.000	0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	4	0	2	0	2.0	0	5.0	.201	1-3
Totals		8	9	8	35	.029	0	3	.000	0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	6	0	7	2	7.0	0	12.5		

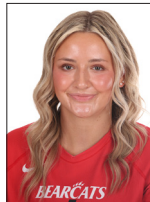


22 // CAROLINE ENDRES

S / SR. / 5-10

CINCINNATI, OHIO / SAINT URSULA ACADEMY

- Played in 11 matches in 2024, covering 25 sets
- Posted double-double vs. TCU with 14 assists and 10 digs
- Did not see action in 2023
- Tallied a career-high 68 assists at Xavier (Sept. 17, 2022) — good for the sixth-most assists in a single match in program history since the implementation of rally scoring
- Mechanical engineering major; interned with a medical device company this summer that designs and creates tools for heart surgeons
- Went to kindergarten and high school on the same street as UC



24 // BROOKE CRUMMEL

MB / R-FR. / 6-3

CUMMING, GA. / WEST FORSYTH / LIBERTY

- Redshirted her freshman season at Liberty
- 2023 GVCA 7A All-State selection and Region 7A Co-Player of the Year
- Named to the 2023 GHSA All-State and All-Tournament Teams and selected as a 2023 GVCA Senior All-Star
- Named 2021 GVCA All-State First Team after leading North Forsyth to the state Final Four with 479 kills and 108 blocks — both single-season school records
- Nationally recognized as a PrepVolleyball Top 150 player and a 2022 "Ten to Watch" honoree
- Appeared on the AVCA Phenom and Watch Lists
- Finished her high school career with 1,394 kills and 236 blocks
- In club play, starred for A5 Volleyball, where she was a two-time AAU national champion, AAU All-American, and AAU Academic All-American
- Competed internationally with the A5 International team in Spain, Portugal, and France.

		Attack			Set			Serve			Receipt			Blocking			Team								
Date	Opponent	SP	K	E	TA	PCT	ATA	PCT	SA	SE	TA	PCT	RE	TA	PCT	DIG	BS	BA	BE	TOTAL	BHE	POINTS	HIT%	SCORE	
08/29/2025	Wake Forest	*4	6	0	14	.429	0	1	.000	0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	6	0	6	0	9.0	.301	3-1
08/31/2025	Michigan	*4	6	4	15	.133	1	3	.333	0	0	2	1.000	0	0	.000	1	0	3	1	3	0	7.5	.201	1-3
Totals			8	12	4	.276	1	4	.250	0	0	2	1.000	0	0	.000	1	0	9	1	9	0	16.5		



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Game Records

Overall	Conference	Home	Away	Neutral
1 - 1	0 - 0	1 - 1	0 - 0	0 - 0

Team Box Score

##	Player	SP	MP-MS	Attack					Set				Serve				
				K	K/S	E	TA	PCT	A	A/S	TA	PCT	SA	SA/S	SE	TA	PCT
0	Spies, Andi	8	2-2	8	1.00	2	20	.300	60	7.50	170	.353	1	0.13	3	17	.824
1	Ledebuhr, Ava	8	2-2	0	0.00	0	1	.000	4	0.50	10	.400	2	0.25	2	28	.929
2	Nolan, Sydney	8	2-2	41	5.13	12	99	.293	0	0.00	7	.000	0	0.00	2	29	.931
4	Glendinning, Carly	8	2-2	30	3.75	3	74	.365	2	0.25	10	.200	1	0.13	2	35	.943
6	Blotzer, Fallyn	1	1-0	0	0.00	1	2	-.500	0	0.00	1	.000	0	0.00	0	0	.000
7	Green, Janelle	4	2-0	2	0.50	0	6	.333	19	4.75	49	.388	2	0.50	0	14	1.000
11	Gillespie, Lilly	8	2-0	0	0.00	0	3	.000	6	0.75	27	.222	0	0.00	1	24	.958
14	Johnson, McKenzie	2	1-0	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	3	.000	0	0.00	1	4	.750
15	Mickelberry, Elliott	1	1-0	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0	.000
16	Busignani, Izzy	1	1-0	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	.000	0	0.00	1	2	.500
18	Simeunovic, Tatjana	8	2-2	2	0.25	3	13	-.077	0	0.00	2	.000	0	0.00	1	21	.952
20	Sigman, Gretchen	8	2-0	9	1.13	8	35	.029	0	0.00	3	.000	0	0.00	0	0	.000
24	Crummel, Brooke	8	2-2	12	1.50	4	29	.276	1	0.13	4	.250	0	0.00	0	2	1.000
CINCINNATI		8	2-2	104	13.00	33	282	.252	92	11.50	286	.322	6	0.75	13	176	.926
Opponents		8	2-2	122	15.25	44	308	.253	112	14.00	313	.358	7	0.88	19	181	.895

			Receptions			Dig		Blocking					Points		
##	Player	SP	RE	TA	PCT	DIG	DIG/S	BS	BA	TOTAL	BLK/S	BE	BHE	PTS	PTS/S
0	Spies, Andi	8	0	0	.000	17	2.13	0	5	5	0.63	0	0	11.5	1.44
1	Ledebuhr, Ava	8	0	16	1.000	27	3.38	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	2.0	0.25
2	Nolan, Sydney	8	0	41	1.000	11	1.38	1	1	2	0.25	1	0	42.5	5.31
4	Glendinning, Carly	8	2	55	.964	17	2.13	1	3	4	0.50	0	0	33.5	4.19
6	Blotzer, Fallyn	1	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.0	0.00
7	Green, Janelle	4	0	0	.000	4	1.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	4.0	1.00
11	Gillespie, Lilly	8	3	41	.927	33	4.13	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.0	0.00
14	Johnson, McKenzie	2	0	7	1.000	2	1.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.0	0.00
15	Mickelberry, Elliott	1	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.0	0.00
16	Busignani, Izzy	1	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.0	0.00
18	Simeunovic, Tatjana	8	0	0	.000	6	0.75	1	7	8	1.00	0	0	6.5	0.81
20	Sigman, Gretchen	8	0	0	.000	6	0.75	0	7	7	0.88	2	0	12.5	1.56
24	Crummel, Brooke	8	0	0	.000	1	0.13	0	9	9	1.13	1	0	16.5	2.06
-	TEAM	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CINCINNATI		8	7	162	.957	124	15.50	3	32	19.0	2.38	4	0	129.0	16.13
Opponents		8	6	163	.963	124	15.50	5	16	13.0	1.63	2	0	142.0	17.75