Lobo Volleyball

MATCH PROGRAM

AUG. 23 | VS. N.M. HIGHLANDS (EXH.)

GENERAL INFORMATION
Name of School .... University of New Mexico
City/Zip.................................. Albuquerque, N.M. 87106
Founded ....1889 by Territorial Legislature
Enrollment 22,225
Nickname .... Lobos
School Colors ....Cherry & Silver
Conference... Mountain West
Affiliation..NCAA Division I
President .... Dr. Garnett Stokes
Athletic Director.. Eddie Nuñez

PROGRAM HISTORY
First Year of Volleyball..1975
All-Time Record (Pct.)...............................727-696 (.511)
Mountain West Record (Pct.).................179-226 (.442)
NCAA Tournament Appearances.................................9
1981, 1988, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 2009 & 2010
NCAA Tournament Record..5-9
Last NCAA Postseason Opponent..........................USC
Last NCAA Postseason Result...L, 0-3, 2010 (1st Rd.)
Conference Championships...2
1988 (High Country) and 1991 (WAC)

VOLLEYBALL STAFF
Head Coach..................................Jon Newman-Gonchar
(Northern Arizona, 2005)
Year at UNM...6th season
Year Overall...6th season
Record at UNM (Pct.)....................................71-63 (.530)
MW Record (Pct.)..39-47 (.453)
Career Record (Pct.)..Same
Associate HC / Recruiting Coord. ....April Sanchez
(Colorado Mesa, 2011)
Year at UNM...6th season
Assistant Coach/ Offensive Coord. ...Matt Kuelpman
(LMU, 2015)
Year at UNM...2nd season
Dir. of Operations.................................Nick Ziegelmann
(Washington State, 2019)
Year at UNM..1st season
Volleyball Athletic Trainer...
Strength Coach..Russ McCarthy
Academic Advisor ....Joylynn Benefiel

2023 IN REVIEW
2023 Overall Record.......................................19-12 (.586)
2023 Mountain West Record .... 10-8 (.444)
2023 Mountain West Finish.....................................T-4th
Letterwinners Returning/Lost 6/8
Starters Returning/Lost ....1 + Libero/5
Newcomers 11

FACILITIES
Main Home Venue...........Johnson Center Gymnasium
Capacity...4,800
Location............................. Redondo Dr. & Stanford Dr.

2024 LOBO VOLLEYBALL ROSTER

NUMERICAL ROSTER

#	NAME	POS.	HT.	YR.	HOMETOWN (PREV. SCHOOL)
1	Reagan Miller	MB	6-1	Fr.	Birmingham, AL (Hoover HS)
2	Marian Hatch	S	5-7	Fr.	Rio Rancho, NM (Cleveland HS)
3	Giselle Groe	L	5-5	So.	Torrance, CA (Mater Dei HS)
4	Lauryn Payne	OH	5-11	Jr.	Leesburg, VA (Riverside HS)
5	Amanda Tremeroli	OH	6-0	Fr.	Phoenix, AZ (Pinnacle HS)
6	Madison Blanco	L	5-7	R-So.	El Paso, TX (Franklin HS)
9	Angela Crosetti	L	5-6	Sr.	Sherman Oaks, CA (Inst. Oriente de Puebla)
11	Sohila Wafeek	S	5-9	Sr.	Cairo, Egypt (UIC / Al Gomhorya HS)
12	Seenane Brewer	OH	5-10	Fr.	Lawrence, KS (Lawrence HS)
13	Zoe Leonard	MB	6-2	Fr.	Phoenix, AZ (Arcadia HS)
16	Madeleine Miller	S	6-1	So.	Shueyville, IA (Mount Vernon HS)
18	Naomi Chankoumi	OH	5-11	Jr.	Houston, TX (CSUB / Cypress Springs HS)
19	Elizabeth Woods	MB	6-2	Sr.	Rowlett, TX (Sachse HS
21	Jada Bouyer	OH	5-9	Sr.	Liberty Township, OH (Toledo / Lakota East HS)
22	Liepa Lavickyte	MB	6-1	So.	Sandnes, Norway (Oregon St. / Toppovolley)
23	Falanika Danielson	L	5-5	Sr.	Ewa Beach, HI (Temple / Mililani HS)
24	Kialah Jefferson	OH	5-10	Sr.	Prosper, TX (VCU / Prosper HS)

COACHING STAFF

HEAD COACH: Jon Newman-Gonchar
(6th season, Northern Arizona 2005)

ASSISTANT COACH: April Sanchez
(6th year, Colorado Mesa 2011)

ASSISTANT COACH: Matt Kuelpman
(2nd year, LMU 2015)

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS: Nick Ziegelmann
(1st year, Wash. St. 2019)

PRONUNCIATIONS

1	**Reagan** Miller	*Raygen*
2	**Marian** Hatch	*Mary-in*
3	**Giselle Groe**	*Ja-zell grow*
5	Amanda **Tremeroli**	*Tremor-roll-ee*
11	**Sohila Wafeek**	*Soe-heeluh Wahfeek*
12	**Seenane** Brewer	*See-nun-lee*
16	**Madeleine** Miller	*Maduhline*
18	**Naomi Chankoumi**	*Nay-owe-mi Shan-koomy*
21	**Jada Bouyer**	*Jay-duh Boy-er*
22	**Liepa Lavickyte**	*Lee-aye-pa La-vee-skee-tah*
23	**Falanika** Danielson	*Fall-a-neeka*
24	**Kialah** Jefferson	*Kye-lah*

2024 ROSTER AT A GLANCE

1
REAGAN MILLER
6-1 • MB • FR
Birmingham, Ala.-
Hoover HS

2
MARIAN HATCH
5-7 • S • FR
Rio Ranco, N.M.
Cleveland HS

3
GISELLE GROE
5-5 • L / DS • SO
Torrance, Calif.
Mater Dei HS

4
LAURYN PAYNE
5-11 • OH • JR
Leesburg, Va.
Riverside HS

5
AMANDA TREMEROLI
6-0 • OH • FR
Phoenix, Ariz.
Pinnacle HS

6
MADISON BLANCO
5-7 • S • R-SO
El Paso, Texas
Franklin HS

9
ANGELA CROSETTI
5-6 • L / DS • R-SR
Sherman Oaks, Calif.
SNHU / St. John's

11
SOHILA WAFEEK
5-9 • S • SR
Cairo, Egypt
Al Gomhorya HS / UIC

12
SEENANE BREWER
5-10 • OH • FR
Lawrence, Kan.
Lawrence HS

13
ZOE LEONARD
6-2 • MB • FR
Phoenix, Ariz.
Arcadia HS

16
MADELEINE MILLER
6-1 • S • SO
Shueyville, Iowa
Mount Vernon HS

18
NAOMI CHANKOUMI
5-11 • OH • JR
Houston, Texas
Cypress Springs HS / CSUB

19
ELIZABETH WOODS
6-2 • MB • SR
Rowlett, Texas
Sachse HS

21
JADA BOUYER
5-9 • OH • SR
Liberty Township, OH
Lakota East HS / Toledo

22
LIEPA LAVICKYTE
6-1 • MB • R-SO
Sandnes, Norway
Toppovolley / Oregon St.

23
FALANIKA DANIELSON
5-5 • L • SR
Ewa Beach, HI
Mililani HS / Temple

24
KIALAH JEFFERSON
5-10 • OH • SR
Prosper, Texas
Prosper HS / VCU

JON NEWMAN-GONCHAR
Head Coach
6th Season
Northern Arizona, 2005

APRIL SANCHEZ
Associate HC / Recruiting Coord.
6th Season (2nd as Assoc. HC)
Colorado Mesa, 2011

MATT KUELPMAN
Assistant Coach / Off. Coord.
2nd Season
LMU, 2015

NICK ZIEGELMANN
Director of Operations
1st Season
Washington St., 2019

2024

OUTLOOK

COMING OFF A THIRD-STRAIGHT WINNING SEASON AND CONFERENCE TOURNAMENT APPEARANCE, NEW MEXICO ENTERS THIS FALL LOOKING TO REPEAT THE SAME SUCCESS WITH A MIX OF RETURNERS AND NEW FACES.

UNM has elevated to another level of consistency in the past three seasons under Newman-Gonchar, winning 62.2% of its matches overall and 53.7% in conference matchups, with a 25-13 (.658) record at home in that span. Finishing 2023 at 19-12 overall and 10-8 in MW play, Newman-Gonchar moved up to No. 3 among UNM coaches (tenured five or more seasons) in winning percentage (.530) and No. 2 in conference win percentage (.453) since the Lobos joined the Mountain West.

Last year's Lobos led the conference in opponent hitting percentage (.180) and digs (1,823 total; 15.58 per set) while ranking second in blocks (286 total; 2.44 per set), making it back-to-back years in which they pace the MW in opponent hitting and digs.

But this time around, they'll be doing it without five of last year's starters, bringing in a variety of experienced transfers to bolster a group of returners with expanded roles. UNM's new-look roster features 11 newcomers and six returners – Woods (107 sets played in 2023) and sophomore Libero Giselle Groe (75 sets played) both return after becoming pivotal rotation pieces in 2023.

Among six transfers joining the Lobos for the 2024 season, four already have three or more seasons of D-I experience under their belts:

Alongside them, returning letterwinners Lauryn Payne, Madison Blanco and Angela Crosetti all look to play bigger roles this fall, with five true freshmen giving the Lobos depth all over the court. Here's a look at this year's Lobos ahead of their first exhibi-

UNM's five-set win over UNLV in the 2023 Mountain West Tournament was its first win in the conference tournament since 2006, securing the Lobos' first-ever conference semifinal appearance under the current format.

tion against New Mexico Highlands on August 23:

OUTSIDES/OPPOSITES
Last fall, the Lobos leaned on the All-Conference outside duo of Kaitlynn Biassou (382 kills, 267 digs, 31 aces) and Uxue Guereca (393 kills, 342 digs, 30 aces) to keep the offense humming – Biassou and Guereca combined for 54% of UNM's kills in their final season before graduating.

The Lobos' only returning outside from last season, Junior Lauryn Payne will look to see her role grow in 2024 after appearing in 119 sets in her first two seasons in Albuquerque. Payne heated up down the stretch in 2023, finishing with multiple kills in seven of the final 11 games after only doing it four times in her first 15 appearances.

Three D-I transfers give UNM new attacking options with real experience – grad transfers Jada Bouyer (Toledo) and Kialah Jefferson (VCU) bring 576 combined set appearances to Albuquerque, coming off a 2023 season in which Bouyer racked up 286 kills to go with 71 total blocks and Jefferson finished with 280 kills and 294 digs. They'll be joined by junior transfer Naomi Chankoumi, who accumulated 250 kills across 121 sets in two seasons at CSU Bakersfield. Chankoumi notched a career-high 12 kills against the Lobos last season at The Pit on August 31,

going on to finish the season with the third-most kills on the team (117) while averaging 2.06 kills per set.

A pair of true freshmen – Amanda Tremeroli (Phoenix, Ariz.) and Seenane Brewer (Lawrence, Kan.) – round things out, with both in the mix to compete for spots in the rotation.

LIBEROS
The Lobos have no shortage of options to fill out the back row, either – they return both their Liberos from last season in Giselle Groe (25 matches played, 181 digs, 55 assists) and Angela Crosetti (19 matches played, 246 digs, 42 assists) while bringing in an all-conference grad transfer in Falanika Danielson (Temple) and getting junior Madison Blanco (32 sets played in 2022) back after an injury redshirt last season.

Groe made her first appearance as a Libero in UNM's 3-0 sweep on UNLV on Oct. 5 and was the first Libero off the bench for the rest of the season, averaging 2.68 digs per set in conference matches and finishing with double-digit digs in nine of UNM's final 16 matches. Crosetti appeared in 60 sets on the season, earning MW Defensive Player of the Week honors and finishing the season with a team-high 4.10 digs per set.

A 2020 AAC Libero of the Year during her time at Temple, Danielson joins the

Lobos as a fifth-year transfer with 408 set appearances across 108 matches under her belt – she averaged 3.71 digs per set (1,471 total) across four seasons of play at Temple.

SETTERS
It's shaping up to be quite the battle for the starting setter spot this fall, with rising sophomore Madeleine Miller and incoming grad transfer Sohila Wafeek (UIC).

Miller saw her role grow throughout the season as a true freshman off the bench in 2023, appearing in 61 sets over 23 matches -- she surpassed double-digit assists six times in the Lobos' final 11 games, averaging 3.19 assists per set in matches in which she saw action in three or more sets.

Meanwhile, Wafeek brings a bevy of experience at the position to Albuquerque for her final collegiate season -- the Egyptian national finished her four-year UIC career ninth in program history in assists (3,047) and averaged 8.28 assists per set in 368 set appearances there.

The Lobos' third setter is a local product -- true freshman Marian Hatch of Rio Rancho. The five-year letterwinner for Cleveland HS and four-time All-Metro selection gives UNM a different look at setter after she graduated early to practice with the Lobos in the spring.

MIDDLES
Replacing the contributions of 6-5 senior Athina Dimitriadis, who ranked among the best in program history in blocks and hitting efficiency in her one season as a Lobo in 2023, will be a tall order (no pun intended). But after a breakout year in which she ranked No. 4 in the MW and No. 82 in the nation in

JON NEWMAN-GONCHAR
HEAD COACH

COACH NEWMAN-GONCHAR AT A GLANCE

-Led the Lobos to their best finish since 2015 in MW play in 2023, finishing tied for fourth with a 10-8 mark in conference matchups.
-77 wins at UNM. 50th win came in a sweep of Colorado State on Nov. 10, 2022.
– Winning record in each of the last three years (37-22, 62.7%). 20 wins in 2021 were most for the program since 2013.
-Back-to-back-to-back MW Championship participants (2021-23). First UNM team to reach the MW Semifinals since 1999; first MW Tournament win since 2006.
– Swept CSU at Fort Collins for the 2nd time in program history.
– Swept the season series with Boise State for the first time since 2014.
– First time in program history winning in Laramie and Fort Collins in the same year
– 2 wins over Power 5 schools (first match as the Lobo head coach against Rutgers, a sweep on Aug. 30, 2019 and a four-set win over Kansas State on Sept. 21, 2019)
– 18 MW Player of the Week selections (8 Offensive, 6 Defensive, 4 Freshman)
– Swept the MW weekly awards on November 14, the 2nd time all-time that UNM has swept the awards both times occurring under Coach Newman-Gonchar
– Led the MW in digs, digs per set and in opp. hitting % in 2022
– In conference matches in 2022, led the MW in digs (1146) and digs per set (16.14), 2nd in the MW in opponent hitting % (.188) and blocks (175) and blocks per set (2.46).
– 7 All-Conference selections (2 in 2023, 2 in 2022, 1 in Spring 2021, 2 in 2021, 1 honorable mention in 2019)
-10 semesters in a row over in which the team posts a 3.4 GPA or better
-5-time AVCA All-Academic Award
-Reached 65th in the RPI on Oct. 3, 2022, the highest RPI under Coach Newman-Gonchar

Jon Newman-Gonchar became the 10th head volleyball coach at the University of New Mexico on Jan. 21, 2019.

The Lobos have sustained success under Newman-Gonchar and have made the MW Tournament each of the past two years that it has been held. The Lobos have achieved a winning record in each of the last 3 years (56-34, 62.2%) with 20 wins in 2021 the most for the program since 2013. Finishing 2023 at 19-12 overall and 10-8 in MW play, Newman-Gonchar moved up to No. 3 among UNM coaches (tenured five or more seasons) in winning percentage (.530) and No. 2 in conference win percentage (.453) since the Lobos joined the Mountain West. This past season, the Lobos led the MW in digs, digs per set and in opp. hitting %, and in conference matches, led the MW in digs (1146) and digs per set (16.14), 2nd in the MW in opponent hitting % (.188) and blocks (175) and blocks per set (2.46). UNM finished 54th in the NCAA in total digs (1830) and 64th in digs per set (15.64).

UNM swept CSU at Fort Collins for the 2nd time in program history and for the first time in program history, won in Laramie and Fort Collins in the same year, which included Coach Newman-Gonchar reaching the 50-win milestone in a sweep at Colorado State on Nov. 10, 2022.

UNM finished the Fall 2021 regular season 20-9, 11-7 in conference, the first time with 20 wins since 2013 and the 11 conference wins the most since 2014. It also signified the first winning record for the program since 2015, and with 12 sweeps and 10 home wins, the most sweeps in a season since 2017 and the most home wins for the program since 2015.

In his first year at UNM, the Lobos got stronger as the season went on, finishing

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Education

Northern Arizona	2001-2005

Career UNM Coaching Record (Year-By-Year)

Year	Record	MW (FINISH)	Win Pct.
2019-20	11-19	6-12 (8th)	.367
2020-21	4-10	4-10 (10th)	.286
2021-22	20-10	11-7 (5th)	.667
2022-23	17-12	8-10 (T-5th)	.586
2023-24	19-12	10-8 (T-4th)	.613
CAREER	**71-63 (5 yrs)**	**39-47**	**.530**

the season winning five of the last seven matches. In the classroom, the Lobos posted two of the highest GPAs recorded in program history during the 2019-20 academic year, posting a program-best 3.77 in the fall semester and an equally impressive 3.74 in the spring. As a result, the team was named to the USMC/AVCA (American Volleyball Coaches Association) Team Academic Honor Roll, one of 46 teams to earn the additional distinction.

The Lobo head coach has served under renowned volleyball coaches such as Arkansas's Jason Watson, Iowa State's Christy Johnson-Lynch and former Loyola Marymount coach, USA Women's National Team assistant and current Georgia head coach Tom Black.

Newman-Gonchar took over at the helm of the Lobos after serving as the associate head coach at the University of Arkansas for the previous three seasons. In his last season in Fayetteville, a pair of Razorbacks earned AVCA All-South Region honors, giving Arkansas at least one All-Region honor in each of his three seasons with the program. The year prior, the Razorbacks went 19-11.

"I'm excited to welcome Jon and have him be our head volleyball coach," said Eddie Nuñez, Director of Athletics. "We wanted someone with a wide breadth of experience and someone that will bring excitement and championships to Lobo Volleyball. Jon has been at all levels of Division I and he has tremendous national team experience. We look forward to having Jon and his wife Morgan join the Lobo family."

Prior to Arkansas, Newman-Gonchar was an assistant coach at Iowa State in Ames. With the Cyclones, the program went 56-31 overall, including 32-16 in Big 12 play. Iowa State defeated five ranked teams over those three seasons, finished as high as second in the Big 12, and advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament twice.

Individually, Newman-Gonchar coached his student-athletes to four AVCA All-America certificates, six AVCA All-Region honors and 18 All-Big 12 selections including a trio of Big 12 Libero of the Year honors and the 2015 Big 12 Freshman of the Year. In his three seasons at Iowa State, he worked directly with the team's setters and middle blockers.

Newman-Gonchar has also had assistant coaching stops at Loyola Marymount (2010-12) and UC San Diego with both the men's and women's teams (2007-09) and Louisiana-Lafayette (2006). He also has been an assistant coach with the Thompson Rivers University men's volleyball team in British Columbia, and he was a volunteer assistant coach at his alma mater Northern Arizona.

A native of Claremont, Calif., Newman-Gonchar earned his bachelor's degree in health sciences in December 2005 from Northern Arizona. He and his wife Morgan have two children, Hudson and Grayson.

APRIL SANCHEZ
ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH / RECRUITING COORDINATOR

April Sanchez joined Jon Newman-Gonchar's staff at UNM as an assistant coach in June 2019 and was promoted to associate head coach in March 2023.

"April has been a key contributor to the rise of Lobo Volleyball, and every piece of this program has been impacted positively by her incredible work ethic and insights," commented Newman-Gonchar at the time of her promotion. "I am thrilled to be able to name her my associate head coach."

"UNM Volleyball is the lucky recipient of yet another great coach and an even better person wanting to come help make us better," said Newman-Gonchar. "We are incredibly grateful that April chose to come to UNM and thrilled for not only our student-athletes, but the broader Albuquerque community. Our region just gained another fantastic volleyball ambassador for our great sport in the community."

With the Lobos, Sanchez serves as UNM's defensive coordinator, overseeing defensive efforts, as well as working with liberos and defensive specialists. Off the court, she serves as a community coordinator, directing and coordinating UNM's summer camps, and planning and organizing UNM's volunteer work in the community.

Under Sanchez' guidance, the Lobos have led the Mountain West in opponent hitting percentage in each of the last three seasons as they rolled to three straight MW Tournament appearances, pacing the league in total digs and digs per set in both 2022 and 2023 after ranking second in 2021. UNM's 1,830 total digs in 2022 and 1,823 in 2023 were the fifth-

and sixth-most in a single season in program history, and the Lobos have held opponents to an .180 hitting percentage combined across the last three seasons — no other Mountain West team has even held opponents below .190 in the same span.

In her first season as Associate Head Coach, the Lobos finished tied for fourth in the MW standings — their best finish since 2014 — and outlasted UNLV in five sets in the first round of the conference tournament for their first postseason win since 2006.

Sanchez came to UNM having spent the previous four seasons at Idaho State as an assistant coach. With the Bengals, Sanchez was responsible for scouting opponents, film and stat analysis, camp coordination and assisted in recruiting.
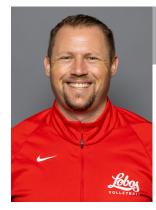
In February 2020, Sanchez served as a court assistant as well as a technical assistant at the U.S. Women's National Team Open Tryout held at the U.S. Olympic Training Center. Most recently, Sanchez attended the NCAA Women Coaches Academy in 2018, which is designed for women coaches to increase their individual effectiveness by learning skills and strategies that directly impact personal and team success.

Prior to working at Idaho State, Sanchez served as the head volleyball coach at Colorado Northwestern Community College for two seasons and prior to that, was an assistant coach at CNCC for three years.

Sanchez graduated from Lamar Community College in December 2007, where she had a successful collegiate career in which she was named to the 2007 All-Region IX volleyball team and the 2007 South Region IX volleyball team. In addition, she earned the 2007-08 American Volleyball Coaches Association Team Academic Award.

After graduating from LCC, Sanchez went on to attend Colorado Mesa University where she graduated with a bachelor's degree in history in May 2011.

MATT KUELPMAN
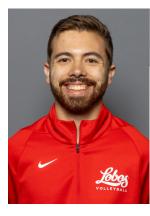## ASSISTANT COACH / OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR

Matt Kuelpman joined the UNM program in March 2023.

In Kuelpman's first season as an assistant coach and offensive coordinator, the Lobos averaged 12.26 kills per set, with Uxue Guereca (393 kills) and Kaitlynn Biassou (382 kills) both recording nearly 400 kills each en route to All-MW honors. UNM finished tied for fourth in the conference standings for the Lobos' third-straight MW Tournament appearance, outlasting UNLV in five sets in the first round to advance to the conference semis.

Kuelpman comes to UNM from Weber State, where he was the assistant coach for the past four seasons and also served as the recruiting coordinator for its 2023 and 2035 classes. During his time with the Wildcats, his responsibilities included coaching the backrow defense and coordinating the offense during matches,

coaching the team's blocking, serving, and defensive strategies, and oversaw the team's travel and camps. While he was with Weber State, the Wildcats improved in digs per set, kills per set and won the Big Sky Championship for the second time in program history. In 2019, Weber State competed in the NIVC tournament and advanced to the quarterfinals after beating MW opponents Boise State and Wyoming.

"Matt brings a rich background in the technical and tactical aspects of high level volleyball," notes Newman-Gonchar. "He comes from a great line of coaches who know what it takes to win on and off the court. We are fired up to have his skill set on staff and can't wait for him to begin."

Weber State had its best season in school history in 2020, going 15-1 and won the first-ever Big Sky regular season title in program history and later won the first conference tournament championship since 1988. The Wildcats repeated as conference champions in 2021, and from 2019 through 2021, the Wildcats won 25-straight matches at home for the longest home winning streak in the nation.

NICK ZIEGELMANN
DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS / TECHNICAL COORDINATOR

Ziegelmann joins UNM after working outside of college sports for the past five years – he most recently served as Vice President of Business Development at ICON International, a specialized finance company where he worked with finance, marketing and legal teams to coordinate media and procurement for clients. He's also served as Director of New Business after working in sales operations and serving as a national media associate during his time there dating back to October 2019.

"We knew from the very first phone call that Nick had what we were looking for," said Newman-Gonchar on the hire. "He's driven to learn and wants to be the best servant leader he can — plus he has the interpersonal skills that will allow him to thrive in all the

demands that the job requires."

Before that, Ziegelmann worked as a team manager and social media strategist for Washington State's Women's Volleyball team for two years, assisting with video work, practice planning and management of the team's social media channels. The Cougars reached the NCAA Tournament in both seasons, going all the way to the Sweet 16 in 2018.

"I'm excited to join the all-star cast of UNM staff and student athletes to help advance the incredible sport of volleyball," Ziegelmann said. "Thank you to Coach Jon, April [Sanchez], and Matt [Kuelpman] for this fantastic opportunity."

A five-time honor roll member at WSU, Ziegelmann graduated in 2019 with a BS in Economic Sciences, double minoring in Business Administration as well as Sport Management.

"We're thrilled to have Nick on board," Newman-Gonchar said. "His positive impact will be felt immediately — the fall can't get here fast enough!"

2024 COWGIRLS ROSTER

NUMERICAL ROSTER

#	NAME	POS.	HT.	YR.	HOMETOWN (PREV. SCHOOL)
1	Sophia Hendricks-Montes	DS	SO	5-6	Albuquerque, NM/La Cueva HS
2	Jaylee Gonzales	OH	SO	5-11	Las Vegas, NM/Robertson HS
3	Jada Lawson	MB	SR	6-0	Denver, CO/Trinidad JC
4	Angelina Burton	OH	SR	5-11	Los Angeles, CA/Mt SAC
5	Aziza Morris	RS/MB	SO	5-9	Albuquerque, NM/Manzano HS
6	Olivia Archuleta	DS	FR	5-4	Albuquerque, NM/La Cueva HS
8	Abby Carlsen	S/RS	JR	5-7	Albuquerque, NM/Cibola HS
9	Aaliyah Krenn	MB	FR	6-1	Marshfield, WI/Columbus Catholic HS
10	Kendal Munn	RS	SO	5-7	Rio Rancho, NM/V Sue Cleveland HS
11	Mya Sullivan	RS	JR	5-9	El Paso, TX/Catholic University
12	Seraiah Morgan	OH	SO	5-11	Albuquerque, NM/Volcano Vista HS
13	Eliza Fowler	MB	SO	5-11	Santa Fe, NM/Santa Fe HS
14	Meg Pfannerstill	OH	FR	5-11	Minocqua, WI/Lakeland Union HS
15	Gianna Benelli	DS/L	FR	5-6	Los Alamos, NM/Los Alamos HS
16	Janelle Baca	DS/L	SO	5-4	Rio Rancho, NM/Rio Rancho HS
17	Stella Garcia	DS/L	SO	5-9	Las Vegas, NM/Robertson HS
18	Nicole Shaver	S	JR	5-9	Prescott Valley, AZ/Laramie County CC
19	Francesca Carbone	S	FR	5-11	Northlake, TX/Liberty Christian HS

COACHES

HEAD COACH: Meg Grose (Peru State, 2018)
ASSISTANT: Cody Cartisser (Arizona, 2024)

PRONUNCIATIONS

#9 Aaliyah	ah lee ah
#12 Seraiah	sir EYE ah
#14 Pfannerstill	faner still
#19 Carbone	car bone
Cartisser	car tis sir

2023 COWGIRLS STATS

Overall Record: 3-25   **Conf:** 1-13   **Home:** 2-9   **Away:** 0-10   **Neutral:** 1-6

#	Player	SP	Attack					Set		Serve				Dig		Block						
			K	K/S	E	TA	Pct	A	A/S	SA	SE	SA/S	RE	DIG	DIG/S	BS	BA	BLK	BLK/S	BE	BHE	PTS
1	Hendricks-Montes, Sophia	67	1	0.01	0	57	.018	40	0.60	6	9	0.09	17	188	2.81	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	7.0
2	Gonzales, Jaylee	92	214	2.33	105	655	.166	13	0.14	17	14	0.18	15	145	1.58	3	28	31.0	0.34	5	1	248.0
3	Lawson, Jada	90	84	0.93	35	225	.218	4	0.04	0	0	0.00	0	28	0.31	8	49	57.0	0.63	10	1	116.5
4	Burton, Angelina	75	183	2.44	115	579	.117	5	0.07	5	12	0.07	14	60	0.80	5	30	35.0	0.47	6	0	208.0
5	Morris, Aziza	91	192	2.11	134	642	.090	15	0.16	2	13	0.02	29	120	1.32	0	17	17.0	0.19	1	2	202.5
6	Young, Amirah	55	66	1.20	38	256	.109	11	0.20	7	7	0.13	14	90	1.64	2	11	13.0	0.24	0	0	80.5
7	Meyer, Ashleigh	82	3	0.04	4	49	-.020	362	4.41	18	10	0.22	0	126	1.54	0	0	0	0.00	0	10	21.0
8	Morgan, Seraiah	82	156	1.90	91	486	.134	12	0.15	5	9	0.06	19	81	0.99	2	17	19.0	0.23	4	1	171.5
9	Carlsen, Abby	93	11	0.12	8	91	.033	268	2.88	20	27	0.22	24	256	2.75	0	0	0	0.00	5	0	31.0
10	Munn, Kendal	2	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0
12	Waghorn, Megan	44	7	0.16	0	24	.292	185	4.20	7	12	0.16	0	78	1.77	0	0	0	0.00	0	4	14.0
13	Fowler, Eliza	1	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0
19	Garcia, Stella	8	0	0.00	0	1	.000	0	0.00	0	4	0.00	0	6	0.75	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0
20	Hooks, Layla	92	87	0.95	53	259	.131	8	0.09	21	49	0.23	0	37	0.40	18	50	68.0	0.74	9	2	151.0
TM	Team	93	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	51	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0
	Total	93	1004	10.80	583	3324	.127	923	9.92	108	166	1.16	183	1215	13.06	38	202	139.0	1.49	35	26	1,251.0
	Opponents	93	1228	13.20	415	3196	.254	1086	11.68	183	155	1.97	108	1368	14.71	44	300	194.0	2.09	26	18	1,605.0

Game Records

Overall	Conference	Home	Away	Neutral
19 - 12	10 - 8	8 - 5	9 - 4	2 - 3

Team Box Score

##	Player	SP	K	K/S	E	TA	PCT	A	A/S	SA	SE	SA/S	RE	DIG	DIG/S	BS	BA	TOT/S	BLK/S	BE	BHE	PTS
1	Matthews, Mattison	24	17	0.71	8	51	.176	2	0.08	0	0	0.00	0	4	0.17	2	18	20	0.83	1	0	28.0
2	Biassou, Kaitlynn	117	382	3.26	175	1023	.202	17	0.15	31	44	0.26	7	267	2.28	5	73	78	0.67	8	2	454.5
3	Groe, Giselle	75	0	0.00	1	11	-.091	55	0.73	11	10	0.15	28	181	2.41	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	11.0
4	Payne, Lauryn	65	40	0.62	31	148	.061	1	0.02	0	0	0.00	0	31	0.48	1	22	23	0.35	0	0	52.0
5	Dimitriadis, Athina	116	236	2.03	80	555	.281	15	0.13	19	23	0.16	1	80	0.69	29	89	118	1.02	11	0	328.5
8	Guereca, Uxue	114	393	3.45	121	1120	.243	27	0.24	30	21	0.26	30	342	3.00	10	57	67	0.59	6	0	461.5
9	Crosetti, Angela	60	1	0.02	4	14	-.214	42	0.70	6	14	0.10	25	246	4.10	0	0	0	0.00	0	2	7.0
10	Wolf, Kali	117	195	1.67	73	763	.160	34	0.29	35	29	0.30	45	259	2.21	6	28	34	0.29	6	0	250.0
11	Walden, Melissa	117	58	0.50	15	161	.267	942	8.05	19	32	0.16	1	296	2.53	4	36	40	0.34	3	15	99.0
15	Lilly, Kynzie	7	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	1	2	0.14	0	2	0.29	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	1.0
16	Miller, Madeleine	61	2	0.03	1	5	.200	167	2.74	5	6	0.08	0	59	0.97	0	0	0	0.00	0	3	7.0
17	Smith, Emma	1	0	0.00	1	1	-1.000	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.0
19	Woods, Elizabeth	107	111	1.04	30	312	.260	6	0.06	0	0	0.00	1	56	0.52	13	109	122	1.14	8	0	178.5
	NEW MEXICO	117	1435	12.26	540	4164	.215	1308	11.18	157	181	1.34	149	1823	15.58	70	432	286	2.44	43	22	1,878.0
	Opponents	117	1585	13.55	774	4509	.180	1464	12.51	149	219	1.27	157	1921	16.42	45	391	240.5	2.06	41	37	1,974.5

Team statistics

	UNM	OPP
ATTACK		
Kills	1435	1585
Errors	540	774
Total Attacks	4164	4509
Attack Pct	.215	.180
Kills/Set	12.26	13.55
SET		
Assists	1308	1464
Attempts	4097	4451
Assist Pct	.319	.329
Assists/Set	11.18	12.51
SERVE		
Aces	157	149
Errors	181	219
Attempts	2645	2509
Serve Pct	.932	.913
Aces/Set	1.34	1.27
SERVE RECEPTIONS		
Errors	149	157
Errors/Set	1.27	1.34
Attempts	2290	2465
Reception Pct	.935	.999
DEFENSE		
Digs	1823	1921
Digs/Set	15.58	16.42
BLOCKING		
Block solo	70	45
Block Assist	432	391
Total Blocks	286	240.5
Blocks/Set	2.44	2.06
Block Errors	43	41
Ball handling errors	22	37
ATTENDANCE		
Total	12433	9713
Dates/Avg Per Date	13/956	13/747
Neutral Site #/Avg	5/93	-
Current win streak	0	-
Home win streak	0	-

Team Results

	Date	Opponent		Score	Score-by-set	Att.
	08/25/2023	vs Seton Hall	W	3-0	25-15,27-25,25-13	174
	08/25/2023	at UC Irvine	W	3-2	24-26,25-20,23-25,25-20,15-12	484
	08/26/2023	vs San Francisco	L	1-3	23-25,20-25,25-21,19-25	170
	08/31/2023	CSU Bakersfield	W	3-1	23-25,25-15,25-19,25-10	512
	09/01/2023	St. John's (NY)	W	3-0	25-16,25-19,25-19	1139
	09/02/2023	Utah Tech	L	2-3	27-25,14-25,24-26,25-16,9-15	936
	09/07/2023	at North Dakota	W	3-1	17-25,25-21,25-21,25-19	550
	09/08/2023	vs Montana	L	1-3	21-25,25-21,22-25,20-25	54
	09/09/2023	vs Green Bay	W	3-0	26-24,25-19,25-13	69
	09/13/2023	at Northern Ariz.	W	3-0	25-12,25-19,25-18	724
	09/15/2023	Northern Ariz.	W	3-0	25-12,25-20,25-17	1047
*	09/21/2023	at Nevada	W	3-2	25-18,19-25,26-24,20-25,15-7	519
*	09/23/2023	at Fresno St.	L	1-3	23-25,24-26,25-21,19-25	532
*	09/28/2023	Utah St.	L	1-3	25-16,20-25,22-25,13-25	805
*	09/30/2023	Boise St.	W	3-1	25-20,16-25,25-20,25-20	1063
*	10/05/2023	at UNLV	W	3-0	25-18,25-16,25-18	817
*	10/07/2023	at San Diego St.	W	3-1	19-25,25-17,25-20,25-9	289
*	10/12/2023	Wyoming	W	3-1	25-18,24-26,29-27,25-17	856
*	10/14/2023	Colorado St.	L	0-3	15-25,19-25,23-25	944
*	10/17/2023	Air Force	W	3-0	25-22,25-23,25-21	823
*	10/19/2023	at San Jose St.	W	3-1	25-23,24-26,26-24,25-20	316
*	10/26/2023	San Diego St.	W	3-1	19-25,25-21,28-26,25-16	864
*	10/28/2023	UNLV	L	1-3	25-23,22-25,13-25,16-25	1011
*	11/02/2023	at Boise St.	W	3-1	25-20,21-25,25-16,25-16	1047
*	11/04/2023	at Utah St.	L	0-3	17-25,24-26,20-25	1090
*	11/09/2023	Fresno St.	L	1-3	23-25,22-25,25-18,20-25	844
*	11/11/2023	Nevada	W	3-2	23-25,25-22,22-25,25-23,15-9	1589
*	11/16/2023	at Colorado St.	L	0-3	24-26,24-26,18-25	2143
*	11/18/2023	at Wyoming	L	0-3	16-25,25-27,19-25	1202
	11/22/2023	at UNLV	W	3-2	24-26,25-19,23-25,25-14,15-12	0
	11/23/2023	vs Colorado St.	L	0-3	18-25,18-25,27-29	0

MOUNTAIN WEST PRESEASON

2024 PRESEASON COACHES' POLL

1. Colorado State (8) — 98
2. Utah State (2) — 84
3. Boise State — 77
4. Fresno State — 71
5. UNLV (1) — 65
6. Wyoming — 56
7. San Diego State — 47
8. New Mexico — 39
9. San José State — 32
10. Air Force — 25
11. Nevada — 12

PRESEASON PLAYER OF THE YEAR
Paige Bartsch, Boise State

PRESEASON ALL-MW TEAM

Player	Class/Pos	School
Paige Bartsch	Sr./OPP	Boise
Emery Herman	Sr./S	CSU
Malaya Jones	Sr./OPP	CSU
Dionii Fraga	So./L	Fresno
Taylor Underwood	Jr./OPP	SDSU
Tierney Barlow	Jr./MB	USU
Adna Mehmedovic	Sr./OPP	USU

2023 MOUNTAIN WEST REVIEW

2023 MW STANDINGS

TEAM	CONF	PCT.	OVERALL	PCT
1. Utah St.	17-1	.944	24-7	.774
2. Colorado St.	12-6	.667	19-12	.613
3. UNLV	11-7	.611	19-13	.594
4. New Mexico	**10-8**	**.556**	**19-12**	**.613**
Fresno St.	10-8	.556	19-14	.576
Boise St.	10-8	.556	14-15	.483
7. Wyoming	9-9	.500	22-10	.688
8. Air Force	9-9	.500	17-12	.586
9. San Jose St.	4-14	.222	13-18	.419
10. San Diego St.	4-14	.222	9-20	.310
11. Nevada	3-15	.167	7-22	.241

2023 MW TOURNEY
UNLV, Nov. 22-24

FIRST ROUND (Wed, Nov. 22)
#5 Fresno St. def. #5 Boise St. (3-0)
(25-14, 26-24, 25-23)
#6 New Mexico def. #3 UNLV (3-2)
(24-26, 25-19, 23-25, 25-14, 15-12)

SEMIFINALS (Thur, Nov. 23)
#5 Fresno St. def. #1 Utah St. (3-0)
(26-24, 17-25, 25-18, 25-21)
#2 Colorado St. def. #6 New Mexico (3-0)
(18-25, 18-25, 27-29)

CHAMPIONSHIP (Fri, Nov. 24)
#5 Fresno St. def. #1 Colorado St. (3-2)
(20-25, 23-25, 26-24, 28-26, 15-12)

MW TEAMS IN THE NCAA TOURNEY

PITTSBURGH REGIONAL
FIRST ROUND (Fri, Dec. 1)
Minnesota def. #6 Utah St.
(17–25, 14–25, 23–25)

PALO ALTO REGIONAL
FIRST ROUND (Fri, Dec. 1)
#1 Stanford def. Fresno St.
(21–25, 12–25, 15–25)

2023 ALL-MW AWARDS

CO-PLAYERS OF THE YEAR
Paige Bartsch, Boise State, Jr., OH
Isabel Martin, UNLV, Sr., OH

NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR
Emery Herman, Colorado St, Sr., S

FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR
Dionii Fraga, Fresno State, Libero

COACH OF THE YEAR
Rob Neilson, Utah State

ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM
Joi Harvey, Sr., MB, AFA
Paige Bartsch, Jr., OPP, BSU
Annie Kaminski, Sr., MB, BSU
Emery Herman, Sr., S, CSU
Malaya Jones, Jr., MB, CSU
Naeemah Weathers, Sr., MB, CSU
Dionii Fraga, Fr., L, FS
Addison Haluska, So., MB, FS
Ella Rud, Jr., OH, FS
Uxue Guereca, Sr., OH, UNM
Kaitlynn Biassou, Sr., OH, UNM
Taylor Underwood, So., OH, SDSU
Isabel Martin, Sr., OH, UNLV
Shelby Capllonch, Gr., OH, USU
Adna Mehmedovic, Jr., OH, USU
Tatum Stall, Sr., OH, USU
Tierney Barlow, So., MB, WYO
Kasia Partyka, Jr., S, WYO

HOME COURT: JOHNSON CENTER

EXHIBITION

8.23   HIGHLANDS

NON-CONFERENCE

8.30   TULANE
8.30   NORTH DAKOTA
8.31   UC IRVINE
9.5   UMKC
9.6   HOWARD
9.7   HOUSTON CHRISTIAN
9.12   NORTHERN ARIZONA
9.13   TARLETON STATE
9.17   NEW MEXICO STATE
9.19   NEW MEXICO STATE

CONFERENCE PLAY

9.26   UNLV
9.28   SAN DIEGO STATE
10.1   AIR FORCE
10.5   BOISE STATE
10.10   UTAH STATE
10.12   NEVADA
10.17   SAN JOSÉ STATE
10.19   FRESNO STATE
10.24   COLORADO STATE
10.26   WYOMING
10.31   FRESNO STATE
11.2   SAN JOSÉ STATE
11.7   NEVADA
11.9   UTAH STATE
11.12   AIR FORCE
11.14   BOISE STATE
11.21   SAN DIEGO STATE
11.23   UNLV

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