

2011 PENN STATE WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

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No. 9 Penn State (21-7, 14-4 Big Ten)



Nov. 23

Penn State at Ohio State 7 p.m. ET • St. John Arena

Nov. 26

Penn State vs. Michigan State 6:30 p.m. ET • Jenison Field House

Nittany Lion Preview

The four-time defending national champion Penn State women's volleyball team is ranked No. 9 nationally as it heads into its final week of conference play before the postseason begins. The Nittany Lions are set to square off with Ohio State on Nov. 23 at 7 p.m. in St. John Arena before traveling to Michigan State on Nov. 26 for a 6:30 p.m. match with the Spartans.

The Nittany Lions improved to 21-7 overall with a 14-4 record in Big Ten play after sweeping Indiana on Nov. 18 and defeating then No. 8 Purdue, 3-1, on Nov. 19 to close out their Big Ten home slate. Sophomore Deja McClendon (Louisville, Ky.) led the Nittany Lions with 31 kills on .356 hitting. She was also second on the team with 17 digs and six blocks. Freshman Micha Hancock (Edmond, Okla.) dished out 85 assists while guiding the Nittany Lion offense to a .324 hitting percentage for the weekend. She also tallied five aces and 15 digs. On defense, sophomore Ali Longo (Littleton, Colo.) posted a team-best 37 digs, including a career-high 26 against Purdue. Sophomore Katie Slay (Raleigh, N.C.) was a wall at the net with 15 total blocks.

For the week, Penn State hit .324 as a team and averaged 14.57 kills per set, 13.86 assists per set, 1.71 aces per set, 16.43 digs per set and 2.43 blocks per set.

Penn State vs. Ohio State

The Nittany Lions are 37-14 all-time versus the Buckeyes dating back to 1981. The Nittany Lions had won 13 of the last 14 meetings. Ohio State's last win against PSU came on Nov. 8, 2006. The two squads met earlier this season on Oct. 19 at Rec Hall. Penn State earned a 3-0 win against the then No. 23 Buckeyes.

Scouting the Buckeyes

Ohio State is currently 18-13 overall with a 8-10 record in Big Ten action. The Buckeyes opened the season with an 11-3 record, including a Big Ten season-opening win at Iowa. Ohio State has additional conference wins against Minnesota, Northwestern, Indiana, Michigan State and Wisconsin.

Penn State vs. Michigan State

Penn State owns a 36-6 record in the series with Michigan State. The Nittany Lions have won the last 16 meetings between the two programs. This will be the first meeting for the two squads in 2011. Last season, Penn State swept the Spartans at home in Rec Hall on Oct. 1 before defeating MSU, 3-1, on the road on Nov. 6.

Scouting the Spartans

The Spartans are 21-9 overall with a 10-8 record in league play. Michigan State opened the season with an 11-1 record. Despite a loss to Nebraska to open Big Ten action, the Spartans rebounded with a 3-1 win against Indiana. The Spartans have conference wins against Iowa, Wisconsin, Northwestern, Michigan and most recently defeated nationally-ranked Illinois, 3-1. The Spartans face Michigan on Wednesday, Nov. 23 before hosting Penn State.

2011 Schedule

26-27 AVCA Showcase					
26	vs. Oregon#	L, 3-1			
27	vs. No. 2 USC#	W, 3-2			
Septe	<u>ember</u>				
2-3 L	Iniversity of Pittsburgh Invitational				
2	vs. Miami (Ohio)	W, 3-0			
2	at Pittsburgh	W, 3-0			
3	vs. New Hampshire	W, 3-0			
9-10	Nike Big Four Volleyball Classic				
9	at No. 3 Stanford	L, 3-1			
10	vs. No. 10 Texas	L, 3-2			
16-17	7 Penn State Classic				
16	vs. Long Island	W, 3-0			
17	vs. Rutgers	W, 3-0			
17	vs. Florida Gulf Coast	W, 3-1			

at No. 10 Nebraska*#

at Iowa*

30 vs. Wisconsin*

October

August

1	vs. No. 10 Minnesota*#	W, 3-0
5	vs. Northwestern*#	W, 3-2
8	vs. No. 1 Illinois*#	L, 3-2
14	at No. 11 Purdue*	W, 3-1
15	at Indiana*	W, 3-0
19	vs. No. 23 Ohio State*	W, 3-0
22	vs. No. 21 Michigan*#	W, 3-0
28	vs. lowa*	W, 3-1
29	vs. No. 1 Nebraska*#	W, 3-1

L, 3-2

W. 3-0

W, 3-0

November

4	at No. 15 Minnesota*#	W, 3-2
6	at Wisconsin*	L, 3-2
11	at No. 7 Illinois*	L, 3-0
12	at Northwestern*	W, 3-0
18	vs. Indiana*	W, 3-0
19	vs. No. 8 Purdue*	W, 3-1
23	at Ohio State*	7 p.m.
26	at Michigan State*	6:30 p.m.

December

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2	NCAA First Round	Campus Sites
3	NCAA Second Round	Campus Sites
9	NCAA Regional Semis	TBA
10	NCAA Regional Champ	ionships TBA
15	NCAA Nat'l Semifinals	San Antonio, Texas
17	NCAA Nat'l Final	San Antonio, Texas

Home matches played at Rec Hall in **bold •** All times ET and subject to change • * Indicates Big Ten match • # indicates match will be aired on TV

Quick Facts
The University
Location:
Founded: 1855
Enrollment:
Colors:
Nickname:
Conference: Big Ten
President: Dr. Rodney Erickson
Director of Athletics:Tim Curley
Acting Director of Athletics:Dave Joyner
Assoc. A.D./SWA
Facility (capacity):Rec Hall (5,812)
Volleyball Staff
Head Coach:
Alma Mater: George Williams, 1975
Overall Record (Yrs/Pct):1,033-164 (32/.863)
School Record: same
Asst. Coaches: Dennis Hohenshelt (6th season)
Kaleena Davidson (3rd season)
Dir. of VB Operations: Adam Hughes (2nd season)
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Season in Review
2010 Record:32-5
Home: 20-0 Away: 8-5
Neutral: 4-1
Big Ten record (finish):16-4 (1st)
Home: 10-0
Final AVCA Ranking:
Postseason Play:NCAA National Champions
First Round: def. Niagara, 3-0
Second Round:
Regional Semifinal:
Regional Final:
National Final: def. California, 3-0
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The History
First Year of Volleyball: 1976
All-Time Record (Years):
All-Time Big Ten Record: 353-47
Years/Win Pct
Big Ten Titles:(14) '92, '93, '96, '97, '98, '99, '03,
NCAA Tournament Appearances: 50 NCAA Tournament Record: 73-25
NCAA National Championships:
2000, 2010

Quick Facts

2011 Penn State Roster

No.	<u>Name</u>	<u>Yr.</u>	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown/High School
1	Ariel Scott	So.	ОН	6-4	Ridgewood, N.J./Immaculate Heart
2	Katie Kabbes	Sr.	ОН	6-4	Raleigh, N.C./Cardinal Gibbons
4	Dominique Gonzalez	Fr.	DS	5-6	San Antonio, Texas/Sandra Day O'Connor
5	Kristin Carpenter	Jr.	S/DS	5-6	Mechanicsville, Va./Hanover
6	Maddie Martin	So.	OH	6-2	Tampa, Fla./H.B. Plant
7	Nia Grant	Fr.	OH	6-2	Warren, Ohio/Howland
8	Erica Denney	RS-Fr.	MH	6-3	Aurora, Colo./Grandview
10	Marika Racibarskas	Jr.	S	6-0	Chatham, N.J./Chatham
11	Darcy Dorton	RS-So	.OH	6-2	Muncie, Ind./Delta
12	Micha Hancock	S	Fr.	5-11	Edmond, Okla./Edmond Memorial
13	Megan Shifflett	Sr.	DS/S	5-6	Falls Church, Va./Langley
14	Aiyana Whitney	Fr.	OH	6-4	Norwood, N.J./Northern Valley Regional
15	Maggie Harding	RS-Fr.	DS	5-6	State College, Pa./State College Area
16	Katie Slay	So.	MH	6-6	Raleigh, N.C./Wakefield
18	Deja McClendon	So.	OH	6-1	Louisville, Ky./DuPont Manuel Magnet
23	Ali Longo	So.	DS	5-6	Littleton, Colo./Chatfield
33	Lacey Fuller	Fr.	DS	5-6	San Diego, Calif./Torrey Pines

Head Coach: Russ Rose (George Williams, 1975), 33rd year **Assistant Coaches:** Dennis Hohenshelt (Juniata, 1993), 6th year Kaleena Davidson (Penn State, 2006), 3rd year

Director of VB Opps: Adam Hughes (Penn State, 2006), 2nd year

Trainer: Kelly Saxton (East Carolina, 2006), 3rd year

Vol. Assistant Coach: Adam Jarrett

	Pronun	<u>ciations</u>	
Aiyana	I-yahn-uh	Marika	Ma-REE-ka
Ariel	Air-ee-el	Megan	Mee-gan
Hohenshelt	HO-en-shelt	Micha	Mike-uh
Kabbes	CAB-es	Nia	Nee-uh
Kaleena	KA-lee-na	Racibarskas	Rass-i-bars-kus
Lacey	Lace-ee	Shifflett	Shiff-lett

Penn State Recap

The Nittany Lions are now 21-7 overall with a 14-4 record in Big Ten play after sweeping Indiana on Nov. 18 and beating then No. 8 Purdue, 3-1, on Nov. 19. Sophomore Deja McClendon led the Lions with 4.43 kills per set, while freshman Micha Hancock dished out 12.14 assists per set. Hancock also had 0.71 aces per set and McClendon was strong in the back row with 2.43 digs per set. Sophomore Ali Longo led the team with 5.29 digs per set and sophomore Katie Slay was unbeatable at the net with 2.14 blocks per set.

What's Next?

The Nittany Lions await their fate in the NCAA Tournament. The NCAA will announce the tournament field on Sunday, Nov. 27 at 6 p.m. on ESPNews. The NCAA Tournament First and Second Rounds are scheduled for the weekend of Dec. 1-3.

The Statistical Story

Here are this week's numbers (overall/Big Ten only) for Penn State and its opponents this week.

	Penn State	Ohio State	Michigan State
Hitting %	.263/.253	.238/.231	.266/.233
Kills per set	13.59/13.87	14.34/13.87	13.93/13.41
Assists per set	12.58/12.96	13.42/13.04	12.89/12.38
Aces per set	1.72/1.65	1.10/0.99	1.04/1.06
Digs per set	14.10/15.10	15.34/14.51	13.39/13.94
Blocks per set	2.74/2.79	2.38/2.33	2.70/2.48

2011 Big Ten Standing	S
(Through 11/21/11)	

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	Conf.				Overall		
Team	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
Nebraska	16	2	.889	23	3	.885	
Purdue	14	4	.778	25	4	.862	
Illinois	14	4	.778	25	4	.862	
Penn State	14	4	.778	21	7	.750	
Michigan St.	10	8	.556	21	9	.700	
Minnesota	9	9	.500	16	11	.593	
Ohio State	8	10	.444	18	13	.581	
Wisconsin	8	10	.444	16	14	.533	
Michigan	7	11	.389	19	11	.633	
Northwestern	6	12	.333	15	14	.517	
Iowa	1	17	.056	11	20	.355	
Indiana	1	17	.056	9	21	.300	

Big Ten Players of the Week (POW/DPOW)

Aug. 29S. Holthus, NU/J. Chin, NU
Sept. 5M. Bartsch, ILL/J. Granquist, MINN
Sept. 12 M. Hole, OSU/ C. Cox, IND & S. Mignin, OSU
Sept. 19A. Wittman, MINN/S. Mignin, OSU & K. Slay, PSU
Sept. 26 M. Bartsch, ILL/G. Mancuso, NEB/E. Johnson, ILL
Oct. 3 A. Turner, PUR/K. Slay, PSU
Oct. 10 A. Turner, PUR/A. Dorn, ILL
Oct. 17H. Werth, NEB/K. Dutchman, NU & K. Jones, PUR
Oct. 24G. Mancuso, NEB/K. Moster, MSU & K. Dutchman, NU
Oct. 31 A. Turner, PUR/K. Dutchman, NU
Nov. 7 A. Wittman, MINN & A. Turner, PUR/
M. Booth, OSU & K. Jones, PUR
Nov. 14 D. McClendon, PSU/ R. Davis, PUR
Nov. 21 H. Werth, NEB/A. Longo, PSU

Big Ten Freshman of the Week

Aug. 29	K. Jones, PUR
Sept. 5	L. Dannemller, MICH
Sept. 12	L. Dannemiller, MICH
Sept. 19	T. Sherwin, OSU
Sept. 26	M. Moster, MSU
Oct. 3	L. Dannemiller, MICH
Oct. 10	A. Dorn, ILL
Oct. 17 K. [Outchman, NU & K. Jones, PUR
Oct. 24 K.	Dutchman, NU/K. Moster, MSU
Oct. 31	Katie Dutchman, NU
Nov. 7	K. Jones, PUR
Nov. 14 M Hanco	ock, PSU & L. Dannemiller, MICH
Nov. 21 M. F	Hancock, PSU & K. Moster, MSU

This Weekend in the Big Ten

Nov. 25

Ohio State at Michigan (7 pm) Indiana at Minnesota (8 pm) Purdue at Wisconsin (8 pm)

Nov. 26

Penn State at Michigan State (6:30 pm) Iowa at Illinois (8 pm) Nebraska at Northwestern (8 pm)

Longo and Hancock Garner Big Ten Weekly Accolades

Sophomore Ali Longo was named Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week and freshman Mich Hancock was named Co-Freshman of the Week on Nov. 21. Hancock shared the honor with MSU's Kori Moster. It was the first honor of Longo's career and the second for Hancock.

For the weekend Longo average 5.3 digs and 6.1 service receptions per set. Against Indiana, Longo had 11 digs and 18 successful reception in 19 attempts to help Penn State hit .385 against the Hoosiers. Longo went on to total a career-high 26 digs against Purdue and converted on 22 of 24 reception attempts. Hancock posted 12.1 assists and 2.1 digs per set for the weekend. On Friday versus the Hoosiers, Hancock dished out 38 assists and added three aces and eight digs. She followed the performance up with 47 assists, seven digs and two aces against the Boilermakers on Saturday. Hancock guided the Nittany Lions to a .385 hitting percentage against the Hoosiers and a .285 hitting percentage against Purdue.

20 Wins and Counting

With a win vs. Indiana on Nov. 18, the Nittany Lions reached 20 wins in a season for the 35th time in program history. The Nittany Lions have recorded at least 20 wins every season under head coach Russ Rose.

McClendon & Hancock Pick Up Big Ten Weekly Awards

Sophomore Deja McClendon was named Big Ten Player of the Week and freshman Micha Hancock earned Co-Freshman of the Week laurels on Nov. 14. Hancock shared the honor with Michigan's Lexi Dannemiller. It was the first player of the week award for McClendon and the first weekly honor of Hancock's career.

McClendon averaged 6.2 kills per set and 2.2 digs per set on .395 hitting after a 3-0 setback to Illinois and a 3-0 sweep of Northwestern. McClendon pounded 17 kills on .350 hitting with three digs, an ace and a block against the Illini. She went on to tally a double-double against the Wildcats with 20 kills on .439 hitting with 20 digs. Hancock averaged 12.8 assists, 1.5 digs and 0.8 aces per set against the Illini and Wildcats. Against Illinois, Hancock notched 35 assists and three aces before helping the Nittany Lions to a .346 attack percentage with 42 assists and eight digs at Northwestern.

Hancock Breaks Penn State Single Season Aces Record

Freshman Micha Hancock broke the Penn State single season aces record on Nov. 4 at Minnesota. The setter, who has a left-handed jump serve, had 70 going into the match with the Gophers. She finished the match with three aces to break the record. She now holds the single season record for aces with 85. She currently ranks tied for seventh in Big Ten single season records.

Name, Year	<u>Aces</u>
Micha Hancock, 2011*	85
Noelle Zientara, 1988	72
Ellen Hensler, 1983	67
Michelle Jaworski, 1988	63
Alyssa D'Errico, 2009*	62
* - rally-scoring era	

Penn State Upends No. 1 Nebraska

After defeating Iowa, 3-1, on Oct. 28, the Nittany Lions continued to improve their conference record with a 3-1 (25-17, 25-15, 17-25, 25-17) win against then No.1 Nebraska. It was Nebraska's second visit to Rec Hall and its first as a member of the Big Ten. The win improved Penn State's record against Nebraska to 7-13 overall and 1-1 on the Nittany Lions home court. The Nittany Lions out-hit, out-dug,, out-served and out-blocked the Huskers. Sophomore Deja McClendon had a match-high 18 kills, freshman Micha Hancock had a match-best six aces, sophomore Ali Longo led all players with 17 digs and sophomore Katie Slay put up eight total blocks.

Big Ten Home Streak

The Nittany Lions final historic streak came to an end on Oct. 8, 2011. Penn State won a record 68 consecutive Big Ten matches on their home court in Rec Hall leading up to their Oct. 8 match with top-ranked Illinois. The streak began on Oct. 29, 2004 with a 3-0 win against Indiana. Since that date, the Nittany Lions have won seven of their 14 Big Ten titles and own a conference record of 131-8. The program also went undefeated in league play four times.

AVCA Top 25 Poll #13 • Nov. 21, 2011

No.	School	Pts.	Rec.	LW
1	USC (53)	1488	24-4	1
2	Nebraska (2)	1424	23-3	4
3	Hawaii (5)	1289	26-1	6
4	UCLA	1229	24-5	2
5	Texas	1215	20-4	9
6	Stanford	1180	21-6	5 7
7	Illinois	1062	25-4	7
8	Purdue	1041	25-4	8
9	Penn State	1023	21-7	12
10	California	987	25-6	3
11	Washington	934	21-7	10
12	Northern Iowa	878	30-1	11
13	Oregon	807	20-8	15
14	Iowa State	763	22-4	13
15	Tennessee	686	26-3	14
16	Kentucky	560	26-4	16
17	Florida	541	23-5	17
18	Pepperdine	519	21-6	18
19	Minnesota	364	16-11	19
20	San Diego	328	27-4	20
21	Florida State	297	24-5	21
22	Michigan	201	19-11	23
23	LBSU	174	20-6	24
24	Western Kentucky	108	31-3	NF
25	Miami	75	24-4	22

Receiving Votes: Colorado State 58; Texas A&M 52; Ohio State 42; Dayton 29; Michigan State 29; Tulsa 29; Arizona 24; Northern Illinois 15; Duke 13; Cincinnati 11; Kansas State 11; Oregon State 5

Penn State in the poll:

Aug. 16: #1 Aug. 29: #2 Sept. 5:#2 Sept. 12: #5 Sept. 19: #5 Sept. 26: #9

Oct. 3: #8 Oct. 10: #9 Oct. 17: #9 Oct. 24: #8 Oct. 31: #6

Nov. 7: #9 Nov. 14: #12

Nov. 21: #9 Next Poll: Nov. 28

Big Ten in the Poll

The Big Ten leads the nation with six teams ranked in the AVCA Top 25 Coaches Poll. Nebraska leads the conference at No. 2, Illinois is sitting at No. 7, Purdue is eighth and Penn State is ranked No. 9. Minnesota checks in at No. 19, while Michigan follows at No. 22. Michigan State is receiving votes in the latest poll.

Slay Picks Up Big Ten Weekly Award

Sophomore middle hitter Katie Slay picked up the second weekly honor of the season as this week's Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week. Slay was an integral part of Penn State's victories against Wisconsin on Sept. 30 and No. 10 Minnesota on Oct. 1.

In Penn State's 3-0 sweep of Wisconsin, Slay had eight kills in nine swings and had a matchhigh five total blocks, including two solo stuffs. She followed up that performance with nine kills in 12 attempts against the Gophers. Slay was a wall at the net with a match-best seven total blocks, including two solo. For the weekend, Slay was second on the team with 17 kills on a team-high .714 attack percentage. She also led the Nittany Lions with 12 total blocks. Slay averaged 2.83 kills per set and 2.00 blocks per set.

Scott Posts Career-High at Nebraska

Sophomore Ariel Scott had a strong night offensively on Sept. 21 in Penn State's Big Ten opener at Nebraska. Scott posted a career-best 23 kills on .360 hitting, while also tallying five digs and four blocks. She followed up that performance with a match-high 18 kills on Sept. 24 vs. lowa.

Slay Named Co-Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week

Sophomore middle blocker Katie Slay (Raleigh, N.C.) was named this week's Big Ten Co-Defensive Player of the Week. This is the second honor of Slay's career. She shares the honor with Ohio State's Sarah Mignin.

The Hampton Inn Classic MVP, Slay averaged 1.90 blocks per set in three matches over the weekend as the Nittany Lions defeated Long Island, Rutgers and Florida Gulf Coast. Slay totaled 19 blocks for the weekend, including tying her personal best with 10 vs. FGCU. She also finished second on the team with 27 kills, averaging 2.70 kills per set on a team-best .561 hitting.

Ace!

The Nittany Lions rank eighth nationally and first in the Big Ten with 1.72 aces per set. Freshman Micha Hancock leads the Big Ten and ranks second in the nation with 0.82 aces per set. Against FGCU, the Nittany Lions totaled a program-best 11 aces (rally scoring-era only) including three from Hancock and two each from Kristin Carpenter, Ali Longo and Lacey Fuller.

Hampton Inn Classic All-Tournament Selections

Slay was named the Hampton Inn Classic MVP, while sophomores Ali Longo and Ariel Scott were named to the Hampton Inn Classic All-Tournament Team. Joining the trio on the all-tournament team was Brittany Bozzini of Rutgers, FGCU's Jill Hopper and Kaitlin Holm and Long Island's Hanna Gibeau.

Nike Big Four Volleyball Classic All-Tournament Accolades

Sophomore Deja McClendon was named to the Nike Big Four Volleyball Classic All-Tournament Team. McClendon led the team with 42 kills during the weekend, including tying her career-high with 25 vs. Texas. Joining McClendon was Stanford' Carly Wopat, Rachel Williams and Karissa Cook, Florida's Kelly Murphy and Kristy Jaeckel and Texas' Hayley Eckerman.

Pittsburgh Invitational All-Tournament Team

Junior libero Kristin Carpenter, sophomore outside Deja McClendon and freshman setter Micha Hancock were all named to the University of Pittsburgh Invitational All-Tournament Team. For the weekend, McClendon led the team with 30 kills on .333 hitting, while Carpenter had a team-best 31 digs (3.44 digs per set). Hancock was the starting setter in all three matches and totaled 89 assists (9.89 assists per set), a team-high 10 aces, including six vs. New Hampshire and was second on the team with 20 digs (2.22 digs per set). Joining the trio on the all-tournament team were Miami's Jenn Caylor, New Hampshire's Amy Keding and Pittsburgh's Jasmine Dittrich and Lindsey Zitzke.

By The Numbers...

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AVCA Showcase All-Tournament Honors

Sophomore Deja McClendon and freshman Micha Hancock each earned a spot on the AVCA Showcase All-Tournament team. McClendon combined for 40 kills, averaging 4.44 kills per set, on .341 hitting. Hancock was the starting setter against USC. For the weekend she guided the Nittany Lions to a .303 attack percentage, had eight kills in nine errorless swings, and tallied 56 assists. She also had six aces against the Trojans. Joining the pair on the all-tournament team were Minnesota's Ashley Wittman and Jessica Granquist, Oregon's Alaina Bergsma and USC's Alex Jupiter.

Season Opening Record

Under head coach Russ Rose, the Nittany Lions are 27-6 in season openers. Penn State's Aug. 26 loss to Oregon was the Lions' first season-opening loss since 2005 when the Nittany Lions suffered a 3-2 setback to Stanford, also in the AVCA Showcase. All six times the Nittany Lions have lost their season opener, they have rallied to win their second match. Penn State has never opened the season 0-2.

Freshmen Debuts

Four Nittany Lions newcomers made their collegiate debuts in the AVCA Showcase on Aug. 26-27. Freshmen Dominique Gonzalez, Micha Hancock and Lacey Fuller all subbed in during Penn State's match with Oregon on Aug. 26. In addition, Hancock and Nia Grant both made their first starts on Aug. 27 vs. USC.

Nittany Lions Debut Atop AVCA Coaches Poll

The four-time defending national champion Penn State women's volleyball team heads into the 2011 season as the preseason favorite in the AVCA Division I Coaches Top 25 Poll. The eight-time defending Big Ten Champions earned 1,486 total points and 54 of 60 first place votes.

USC is ranked second heading into 2011 having garnered 1,424 points and five first place votes. Following the Trojans is California (No. 3), who Penn State defeated in the 2010 National Championship match, Texas (No. 4) and Nebraska (No. 5).

Penn State Chosen as Preseason Favorite

For the seventh consecutive season and the eighth since 2001, the Nittany Lions have topped the preseason list as the favorite to win the Big Ten. Illinois and Nebraska tied for second in the preseason poll and Purdue was slated fourth. Minnesota was picked to finish fifth and Michigan State rounded out the poll at sixth.

Big Ten Dominance

With a 3-0 victory against lowa on Nov. 26, 2010, the Nittany Lions clinched their eighth straight and 14th overall Big Ten title since joining the league for the 1991 season. The streak is unprecedented in the league in women's volleyball. The squad earned the conference title in 1992, 1993, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010. Evert senior class at Penn State since 1992 has claimed at least on conference championship and the last five graduating classes have earned a conference title each year of their career.

Since 1985 when double round-robin play was instituted, only nine times has the conference champion gone undefeated, including Illinois in 1986 and 1988 with 18-0 records, Ohio State in 1991 with a 20-0 record and Penn State in 1998, 1999, 2005, 2007, 2008 and 2009 with 20-0 marks.

The Rec Hall Advantage

Between Sept. 1, 2006 and Dec. 10, 2010 the Penn State women's volleyball team won a record-setting 94 consecutive home court matches. Penn State's 94-match home court winning streak ranks as one of the longest streaks in any D1 NCAA sport. In NCAA team sports of record, only a trio of men's basketball streaks (Kentucky, 1943-55 [129]; St. Bonaventure, 1948-61 [99]; UCLA, 1970-76 [98]) outranks the Nittany Lions' home court run. The women's volleyball program owns two of the top home court winning streaks having won 87 consecutive matches between Nov. 25, 1995 and Sept. 16, 2000. Nebraska's 91-match home court winning streak ranks second all-time.

Three Nittany Lions Earn Big Ten Preseason Honors

A trio of Nittany Lions has earned Preseason All-Big Ten honors from the coaches. Junior Kristin Carpenter and sophomores Deja McClendon and Katie Slay all picked up preseason accolades. McClendon was a unanimous selection and the awards were the first career honors for all three squad members.

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No. School

- USC
- 2 Nebraska
- 3 Hawaii
- **UCLA**
- 5 Texas
- 6 Purdue
- 7 Penn State
- 8 Stanford
- 9 Illinois
- 10 California
- 11 Northern Iowa
- 12 Iowa State
- 13 Oregon
- 14 Washington
- 15 Tennessee
- 16 Florida
- 17 Pepperdine
- 18 Minnesota
- Kentucky 19
- 20 Florida State
- 21 Michigan State
- 22 Arizona
- 23 San Diego
- 24 Ohio State
- 25 Michigan
- 26 **LBSU**
- 27 Dayton
- 28 Texas A&M
- 29 Miami
- 30 Tulsa

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No. School	Points	LW
1. USC (9)	199	1
2. Nebraska (1)	189	4
3. Texas	167	5
4. Hawaii	162	6
5. UCLA	160	2
6. Stanford	147	7
7. Purdue	143	8
8. Illinois	123	9
9. Penn State	122	10
10. California	118	3
11. Northern Iowa	97	11
12. Washington	89	12
13. Oregon	80	15
14. Iowa State	79	13
15. Tennessee	67	14
16. Pepperdine	45	17
17. Kentucky	38	18
18. Florida	37	16
19. Minnesota	11	19
20. Florida State	9	20

Receiving Votes: Cincinnati, San Diego, Arizona, Colorado State, Texas A&M, Michigan State

Leading Lions

The team captains for the 2011-12 season are senior Katie Kabbes, junior Kristin Carpent and redshirt sophomore Darcy Dorton.

Streaks

Penn State holds the top three winning streaks in Big Ten history. Penn State's most recent streak of 65 consecutive matches began on Nov. 11, 2006 and ended on Sept. 24, 2010 at Illinois. It is the longest streak in league history. Penn State's other two conference winning streaks were 49 matches and 41. Illinois owns the fourth (40) and fifth (25) longest conference winning streaks.

Top Five Consecutive Big Ten Win Streaks

- 65 Penn State (11/11/06 9/18/10) snapped at Illinois (9/24/10)
- 49 Penn State (11/1/97 11/27/99) snapped at Wisconsin (9/22/00)
- 41 Penn State (10/22/04 10/21/06) snapped at Wisconsin (10/27/06)
- 40 Illinois (11/15/85 11/20/87) snapped at Purdue (11/27/87)
- 25 Illinois (10/2/92 10/9/93) snapped vs. Penn State (10/15/93)

NCAA Notes

The Nittany Lions made history in 2010 winning their fourth straight NCAA title. It was the fifth overall for the program and for head coach Russ Rose, the most national championships ever for a Division I volleyball head coach. Penn State's four consecutive NCAA women's volleyball titles are the most consecutive national titles ever for a Division I volleyball squad. The program's five titles (1999, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010) ranks second all-time behind Stanford's six.

Since 1981, only 10 teams have won an NCAA title in Division I women's volleyball, which currently totals 328 programs. The schools include, USC (3), Hawaii (3), UCLA (3), Pacific (2), Texas (1), LBSU (3), Stanford (6), Nebraska (3), Penn State (5) and Washington (1). Only four other teams have made an appearance in the NCAA National Championship, including Wisconsin, Florida, Minnesota and California. In addition, only 10 other teams besides the ones previously listed have earned a spot in the NCAA National Semifinals. These programs include, San Diego State, San Jose State, Illinois, UT-Arlington, LSU, Ohio State, Michigan State, Arizona, Santa Clara and Tennessee.

Volleyball Links			
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PSU WVB Booster Clubwww.psuwvbc.net			
Big Ten Conferencewww.BigTen.org			
Big Ten Networkwww.BigTenNetwork.com			
NCAAwww.ncaa.com			
AVCAwww.avca.org			
USA Volleyball (USAV) www.usav.org			

Career Milestones

Several Nittany Lions are nearing career milestones in 2011:

Kristin Carpenter

- Has 1,443 assists. Needs 557 to reach 2,000.
- Has 472 digs. Needs 28 to reach 500.

Darcy Dorton

Has 295 kills. Needs 205 to reach 500.

Katie Kabbes

• Has 192 kills. Needs 8 to reach 200.

Deja McClendon

- Has 801 kills. Needs 199 to reach 1,000.
- Has 137 blocks. Needs 63 to reach 200.
- Has 434 digs. Needs 66 to reach 500.

Ariel Scott

Has 495 kills. Needs 5 to reach 500.

Katie Slay

- Has 274 kills. Needs 26 to reach 300.
- Has 238 blocks. Needs 62 to reach 300.

Career Leaders

Below are the career leaders in each statistical category:

Kills

2,282 Lori Barberich, 1981-84 2,142 Megan Hodge, 2006-09

Hitting Percentage

.468 Arielle Wilson, 2007-10 .433 Christa Harmotto, 2005-08

Digs

1,957 Kaleena Walters, 2002-05 1,685 Kim Kumfer, 1989-92

Total Blocks

767 Lauren Cacciamani, 1996-99 736 Terri Zemaitis, 1994-97

Assists

6,596 Michelle Jaworski, 1987-90 6,087 Sam Tortorello, 2002-05

Aces

235 Ellen Hensler, 1983-86 183 Vida Kernich, 1983-86

Penn State in the top 10 Big Ten Stats (as of Nov. 21, 2011)

Category	All Matches	Rank (leader)	. Conf. Only	Rank (leader)
Hitting Pct	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	•		
Katie Slay	382	2nd	358	2nd
Opp. Hitting Pct	172	4th (PUR146)	184	4th (NEB164)
Assists Per Set				
Micha Hancock	10.31	6th	. 10.85	4th
Kills Per Set	13.59	6th (OSU - 14.34)	13.87	t-1st
		7th		
Ariel Scott	3.49	10th	. 3.94	4th
Blocks Per Set	2.74	2nd (PUR - 2.81)	. 2.79	2nd (PUR - 2.79)
Katie Slay	1.48	1st	1.56	1st
Service Aces Per Se	t 1.72	1st	1.65	1st
Micha Hancock	0.82	1st	. 0.82	1st
Ali Longo	0.26	N/A	. 0.28	9th
Digs Per Set	14.10	10th (NU - 15.62)	15.10	8th (PUR - 16.38)
Āli Longo	3.08	N/A	. 4.00	9th

Penn State in the top 50 National Stats (as of Nov. 21, 2011)

Category	All Match	es Rank	Leader	Stats
Hitting Pct	263	20th	Florida	308
Katie Slay	382	21st	L. Hutchinson	435
Assists Per Set	12.58	N/A	Tulsa	14.10
Kills Per Set	13.59	N/A	N. Illinois	15.08
Blocks Per Set	2.74	18th	Washington	3.26
Katie Slay	1.48	8th	M. Plourde, Colo. St	1.66
Service Aces Per S	et1.72	8th	South Carolina St	2.10
Micha Hancock	0.82	1st		
Digs Per Set	14.10	N/A	Southern Miss	18.76

Match-By-Match Starting Lineups

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opp</u> .	W/L	Score	<u>Setter</u>	<u>Opp</u> .	<u>OH</u>	OH/DS	<u>MB</u>	<u>MB</u>	L
8/26	Oregon	L	3-1	Carpenter	Scott	McClendon	Martin	Slay	Kabbes	Longo
8/27	USC	W	3-2	Hancock	Kabbes	McClendon	Scott	Slay	Grant	Carpenter
9/2	Miami	W	3-0	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Martin	Slay	Grant	Carpenter
9/2	Pittsburg	h W	3-0	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Martin	Slay	Grant	Carpenter
9/3	UNH	W	3-0	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Martin	Slay	Grant	Carpenter
9/9	Stanford	d L	3-1	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Martin	Slay	Grant	Carpenter
9/10	Texas	L	3-2	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Martin	Slay	Grant	Carpenter
9/16	LIU	W	3-0	Hancock	Kabbes	McClendon	Scott	Slay	Grant	Carpenter
9/17	Rutgers	W	3-0	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Martin	Slay	Grant	Longo
9/17	FGCU	W	3-1	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Martin	Slay	Grant	Longo
9/21	Nebrask	a L	3-2	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Martin	Slay	Grant	Longo
9/24	Iowa	W	3-0	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Whitney	Slay	Grant	Longo
9/30	Wisconsi	n W	3-0	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Martin	Slay	Grant	Longo
10/1	Minnesot	a W	3-0	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Martin	Slay	Grant	Longo
10/5	NU	W	3-2	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Martin	Slay	Grant	Longo
10/8	Illinois	L	3-2	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Gonz.	Slay	Grant	Longo
10/14	Purdue	W	3-1	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Gonz.	Slay	Grant	Longo
10/15	Indiana	W	3-0	Hancock I	McClendo	n Martin	Carp.	Slay	Grant	Longo
10/19	Ohio St.	W	3-0	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Gonz.	Slay	Grant	Longo
10/22	Michiga 2	n W	3-0	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Martin	Slay	Grant	Longo
10/28	3 Iowa	W	3-1	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Martin	Slay	Grant	Longo
10/29	Nebrask	aW	3-1	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Martin	Slay	Grant	Longo
11/4	Minnesot	a W	3-2	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Gonz.	Slay	Grant	Longo
11/6	Wisconsi	n L	3-2	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Gonz.	Slay	Grant	Longo
11/11	Illinois	L	3-0	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Gonz.	Slay	Grant	Longo
11/12	NU	W	3-0	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Martin	Slay	Grant	Longo
11/18	3 Indiana	W	3-0	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Martin	Slay	Grant	Longo
11/19	Purdue	W	3-1	Hancock	Scott	McClendon	Martin	Slay	Grant	Longo
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2011 Honors

Kristin Carpenter

Preseason All-Big Ten Pittsburgh Invitational All-Tournament Team

Deja McClendon

Unanimous Preseason All-Big Ten AVCA Showcase All-Tournament Team Pittsburgh Invitational All-Tournament Team Nike Big Four VB Classic All-Tournament Team Big Ten Player of the Week (11/14)

Katie Slay

Preseason All-Big Ten Hampton Inn Classic MVP Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week (9/19, 10/3)

Micha Hancock

AVCA Showcase All-Tournament Team Pittsburgh Invitational MVP Big Ten Co-Freshman of the Week (11/14, 11/21)

Ariel Scott

Hampton Inn Classic All-Tournament Team

Ali Longo

Hampton Inn Classic All-Tournament Team Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week (11/21)

Nittany Lions By Month

Penn State is 35-5 (.875) all-time during the month of August. Its first two losses came during the inaugural NACWAA in 1995 when Nebraska swept the Lions, and in the 1999 NACWAA when Florida outlasted Penn State 3-2 in the opening round. The Lions lost to UCLA in the first round of the NACWAA in 2000 and fell to defending national champion Stanford in the first round of the AVCA/NACWAA Showcase in 2005, hosted by the Qwest Center in Omaha, Neb. Penn State's most recent August loss came to Oregon in the AVCA Showcase on Aug. 26, 2011.

Penn State is 349-54-4 (.862) all-time during the month of September. Amazingly, the Lions are 170-15 (.919) during September dating back to the 1995 season and 58-7 (.892) over the last five years.

The Lions are 376-67 (.849) all-time during the month of October. Penn State has posted a 83-13 (.864) mark in October over the last 10 seasons, a record of 47-4 (.922) in the last five years and did not lose a match during the month from 2007 to 2010 .

Penn State is 273-57 (.827) all-time during the month of November, including a 81-10 (.890) mark over the last 10 seasons. The Lions had a six-year streak from 1995-2000 where they did not lose a match in the month, and over the last eight seasons, Penn State has a 69-4 (.945) mark in November.

Quick Sets

- During a period from Oct. 16, 1996 to Nov. 9, 2001, Penn State had won 139 consecutive matches when taking a 2-0 lead. Since joining the Big Ten for the 1991 season, Penn State has played in 698 total matches, winning 621. Amazingly, 497 of those 621 wins, or 80%, have been three-game sweeps. Over the last five years, Penn State has won 149 of its 174 victories in three games (86%), including 37 out of 38 (98%) in 2008 and 32 out of 38 in 2009 (84%).
- Over the last 15 years, the Lions have lost only 57 matches. And of those 20 teams that defeated the Lions - Brigham Young, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Long Beach State, Michigan, Michigan State, Minnesota, Nebraska, Northwestern, Ohio State, Oregon, Purdue, USC, Stanford, Temple, Tennessee, UCLA, Washington and Wisconsin - only nine of these teams (Nebraska, Stanford, Ohio State, Illinois, Wisconsin, UCLA, Minnesota, Florida and Michigan State.) have been able to beat Penn State a third time. The Lions have compiled a 278-58 (83%) mark in the last 15 years versus these teams.

vs. Michigan	30-2	vs. Stanford	6-7
vs. Northwestern	30-2	vs. Michigan State	27-3
vs. Wisconsin	26-7	vs. Ohio State	26-6
vs. Florida	4-3	vs. UCLA	3-3
vs. Nebraska	5-4	vs. Minnesota	27-6
vs. LBSU	0-1	vs. USC	2-1
vs. Illinois	28-5	vs. Temple	2-1
vs. Brigham Young	5-1	vs. Tennessee	0-1
vs. Purdue	32-1	vs. Indiana	30-1
vs. Washington	0-1	vs. Oregon	1-1

Penn State by the Numbers

5	Number of NCAA National Championships (1999, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010)
10	Number of "Fab 50" selections on the 2010 squad
14	Number of Big Ten titles in 20 seasons in the league
20	Number of Conference Players of the Year
30	Number of NCAA Tournaments Penn State has participated in, one of two schools
	to play in all 30.
34	Number of consecutive 20-win seasons
36	Seasons of Penn State women's volleyball, which started in 1976 under the
	direction of Tom Tait
68	Number of polls in which Penn State was ranked No. 1
68	Number of Big Ten home match wins between Oct. 10/29/04 and 10/8/11
65	Longest Big Ten winning streak recorded by the Nittany Lions from 11/11/06 to
	9/24/10
94	Number of consecutive home match wins from 9/1/06 to 12/11/10
109	Number of consecutive matches wins between 9/21/07 to 9/11/10
134	Number of Academic All-Big Ten honorees in 20 years
223	Number of home match wins at Rec Hall in last 10 years
1,054	Number of wins by head coach Russ Rose in his 33rd season
1,105	Number of wins in Penn State women's volleyball history

Double-Doubles

Kristin Carpenter (10 career)

- at Florida, 9/10/10 (41 assists, 12 digs)
- vs. GWU, 9/17/10 (31 assists, 10 digs)
- at Illinois, 9/24/10 (53 assists, 10 digs)
- at Indiana, 10/9/10 (50 assists, 13 digs)
- vs. lowa, 10/16/10 (34 assists, 10 digs)
- vs. Indiana, 10/29/10 (37 assists, 10 digs)
- at Michigan, 11/5/10 (26 assists, 11 digs)
- at lowa, 11/26/10 (42 assists, 11 digs)
- at Minnesota, 11/27/10 (70 assists, 15 digs)
- vs. Duke, 12/11/10 (45 assists, 13 digs)

Deja McClendon (5 season, 10 career)

- at Nebraska, 9/21/11 (16 kills, 13 digs)
- vs. Illinois, 10/8/11 (12 kills, 11 digs)
- at Minnesota, 11/4/11 (23 kills, 10 digs)
- at Wisconsin, 11/6/11 (17 kills, 16 digs)
- at Northwestern, 11/12/11 (20 kills, 10 digs)
- at Wisconsin, 9/26/10 (12 kills, 16 digs)
- vs. Michigan, 10/2/10 (14 kills, 10 digs) • at Purdue, 10/8/10 (20 kills, 11 digs)
- vs. Purdue, 10/30/10 (16 kills, 15 digs)
- vs. Duke, 12/11/10 (20 kills, 10 digs)

Ariel Scott (1 season, 1 career)

vs. Northwestern, 10/5/11 (13 kills, 13 digs)

Maddie Martin (1 season, 1 career)

• vs. lowa, 10/28/11 (10 kills, 14 digs)

Micha Hancock (9 season)

- at Pitt, 9/2/11 (27 assists, 11 digs)
- at Stanford, 9/9/11 (45 assists, 11 digs)
- vs. Texas, 9/10/11 (52 assists, 12 digs)
- vs. FGCU, 9/17/11 (36 assists, 13 digs)
- at Nebraska, 9/21/11 (53 assists, 12 digs)
- vs. Illinois, 10/8/11 (45 assists, 19 digs)
- vs. lowa, 10/28/11 (47 assists, 16 digs)
- at Minnesota, 11/4/11 (58 assists, 18 digs)
- at Wisconsin, 11/6/11 (60 assists, 13 digs)

The Last Time a Lion...

Had 30 or more kills	31 - Nicole Fawcett vs. Cal Poly (8/31/07)
Had 10 or more blocks	10 - Katie Slay vs. FGCU (9/17/11)
Had five or more aces	7 - Micha Hancock vs. Illiniois (10/8/11)
Had 25 or more digs	35 - Alyssa D'Errico at Minnesota (11/27/10)
Had 80 or more assists	82 - Samatha Spink vs. Illinois (11/24/95)
Hit .800 or better (min. 12 kills)92	29 (13-0-14) A. Wilson vs. St. Francis (9/19/09),

The Last Time Penn State...

vs. Non-conference Opponents (regular-season matches)

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Won a match	vs. FGCU, 9/17/11 (20-25, 25-11, 25-17, 25-11)
Lost a match	vs. Texas, 9/10/11 (23-25, 20-25, 25-19, 25-14, 10-15)
Won a match	vs. FGCU, 9/17/11 (20-25, 25-11, 25-17, 25-11)
Lost at home	vs. Oregon, 8/26/11 (25-16, 25-21, 25-20, 25-22)
Won 3-0 at home	vs. Rutgers, 9/17/11 (25-12, 25-17, 25-14)
Lost 3-0 at home	vs. UC-Santa Barbara, 9/18/86 (1-15, 7-15, 13-15)
Won 3-0 on the road	vs. New Hampshire, 9/3/11 (25-14, 25-11, 25-11)
Lost 3-0 on the road	vs. Stanford, 9/11/10 (26-28, 12-25, 18-25)

vs. Big Ten Opponents (regular-season matches)

Won a match	vs. Purdue, 11/19/11 (22-25, 25-18, 25-15, 25-18)
Lost a match	at Illinois, 11/11/11 (21-25, 23-25, 26-28)
Won at home	vs. Purdue, 11/19/11 (22-25, 25-18, 25-15, 25-18)
Lost at home	vs. Illinois, 10/8/11 (25-21, 21-25, 25-23, 21-25, 12-15)
Won 3-0 at home	vs. Indiana, 11/18/11 (25-14, 25-23, 25-12)
Lost 3-0 at home	vs. Minnesota, 10/18/03 (26-30, 18-30, 21-30)
Won 3-0 on the road	at Northwestern, 11/12/11 (25-19, 25-14, 25-17)
Lost 3-0 on the road	at Illinois, 11/11/11 (21-25, 23-25, 26-28)

All Matches

Won a match	vs. Purdue, 11/19/11 (22-25, 25-18, 25-15, 25-18)
Lost a match	at Illinois, 11/11/11 (21-25, 23-25, 26-28)
Won at home	vs. Purdue, 11/19/11 (22-25, 25-18, 25-15, 25-18)
Lost at home	vs. Illinois, 10/8/11 (25-21, 21-25, 25-23, 21-25, 12-15)
Won 3-0 at home	vs. Indiana, 11/18/11 (25-14, 25-23, 25-12)
Lost 3-0 at home	vs. Indiana, 10/29/10 (25-17, 25-18, 25-22)
Won 3-0 on the road	at Northwestern, 11/12/11 (25-19, 25-14, 25-17)
Lost 3-0 on the road	at Illinois, 11/11/11 (21-25, 23-25, 26-28)

Packing Rec Hall Once Again

As usual, Penn State is among the national leaders in attendance in 2011. The Nittany Lions rank fifth in the country averaing 3,360 fans per match so far this season. Hawaii sits in first place, while Nebraska ranks second, Minnesota sits at third and Wisconsin is fourth.

		Average	Total	Home			Average	Total	Home
	School	Attend.	Attend.	Dates		School	Attend.	Attend.	Dates
1.	Hawaii	6,497	129,940	20	16.	New Mexico	2,184	26,211	12
2.	Nebraska	4,572	64,002	14	17.	Colorado St	. 2,151	25,815	12
3.	Minnesota	4,173	41,726	10	18.	Michigan St.	2,008	30,120	15
4.	Wisconsin	3,754	45,049	12	19.	TCU	1,734	20,806	12
5.	Penn State	3,301	49,515	15	20.	Oregon	1,599	20,788	13
6.	Texas	2,700	32,404	12	21.	Louisville	1,588	17,466	11
7.	Illinois	2,646	34,395	13	22.	N. Mex. St.	1,573	18,878	12
8.	Florida	2,624	41,990	16	23.	USC	1,548	17,033	11
9.	Wichita St.	2,527	27,797	11	24.	Texas A&M	1,525	16,780	11
10.	Washington	2,509	30,111	12	25.	Kansas St.	1,495	17,941	12
11.	Purdue	2,418	38,686	16	26.	Duke	1,436	21,541	15
12.	Stanford	2,326	32,560	14	27.	Ohio	1,436	15,792	11
13.	UNI	2,319	34,787	15	28.	UNC	1,371	20,566	15
14.	Missouri	2,298	25,729	11	29.	Iowa	1,352	20,285	15
15.	Iowa State	2,270	22,700	10	30.	BYU	1,281	16,651	13

Head Coach Russ Rose

Penn State head coach Russ Rose is in his 33rd season at the helm of the Nittany Lion program with an overall record of 1,033-164. Rose joins just two other coaches who have passes the 1,000-win plateau during their careers with the win on Dec. 17, 2009.

(All numbers current as of Dec. 18, 2010)

1.10	6 Andy Banachowski, UCLA (ret.) (43 yrs
1,04	
1,03	
892	Mike Hebert, Minnesota (ret.) (35 yrs
886	Elaine Michaelis, BYU (ret.) (33 yrs
847	Kathy Gregory, UCSB (36 yrs
834	Shelton Collier, Wingate (30 yrs
828	Debby Colberg, Sacramento St. (ret.) (32 yrs
809	Marilyn Nolen, Sul Ross St. (ret.) (32 yrs

Rose also currently ranks first in the nation in terms of winngest active coaches by percentage.

.863	Russ Rose, Penn State (32 years) 1,033-164 career record
.853	Dave Shoji, Hawaii (36 years)
	1,045-179 career record
.844	Mary Wise, Florida (24 years)
	713-132 career record
.830	John Cook, Nebraska (18 years)
	497-102 career record
.828	John Dunning, Stanford (26 years)
	726-151 career record

Rose at a Glance

- 1999, 2007, 2008, 2009 & 2010 NCAA National Champions
- 2007 inductee into the AVCA Hall of Fame
- 2005 USA Volleyball All-Time Great Coach
- 2000 USOC Volleyball Coach of the Year
- 1997, '99, 2007 & '08 AVCA National Coach of the Year
- 12-time Big Ten Coach of the Year ('92, '93, '96, '97 (co), '98, '03 (co), '05, '06, '07, '08, '09, '10)
- 14 Big Ten Conference Championships ('92, '93, '96, '97, '98, '99, '03, '04, '05, '06, '07, '08, '09, '10)
- 31 All-Americans earning 68 honors
- Has led Penn State to 30 consecutive NCAA Tournaments (one of two schools to do so)
- 2010 National Jewish Sports Hall of Fame inductee
- 2010 USAV Leader in Volleyball
- Eight straight Atlantic 10 titles

Nittany Lion Airtime

Can't follow your Nittany Lions on the road or make it to every home match? As one of the nation's top volleyball programs, Penn State has earned regional and national exposure. This year, the Nittany Lions will be on television at least nine times between the Big Ten Network and ESPN. All other matches will be streamed live on GoPSUsports.com via All-Access or on BigTenNetwork.com. All schools will provide live scoring via the web, as well.

Nittany Lion Television Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Air Time</u>
Aug. 26	Oregon	BTN - live
Aug. 27	USC	BTN - live
Sept. 21	Nebraska	BTN - live
Oct. 1	Minnesota	BTN - live
Oct. 5	Northwestern	BTN - live
Oct. 8	Illinois	BTN - tape delay until Oct. 10
Oct. 22	Michigan	ESPN2 - tape delay until Oct. 23
Oct. 29	Nebraska	BTN - live
Nov. 4	Minnesota	BTN - live

Preseason Conference Poll and All-Big Ten Selections

The Big Ten head women's volleyball coaches voted Penn State as the preseason favorite for the seventh consecutive year. Penn State was one of nine schools with student-athletes selected to the Preseason All-Big Ten team and one of five schools with multiple student-athletes chosen.

2011 Preseason All-Big Ten

	<u> </u>	<u></u>
Name, School	Yr.	Pos.
*Michelle Bartsch, Illinois	Sr.	OH
*Colleen Ward, Illinois	Sr.	OH
*Alex Hunt, Michigan	Sr.	OH
Jenilee Rathje	Sr.	OH/MB
Tori Dixon, Minnesota	So.	MB
Ashley Wittman, Minnesota	So.	OH
Lauren Cook, Nebraska	Jr.	S
*Brooke Delano, Nebraska	Sr.	MB
Hannah Werth, Nebraska	Jr.	OH
Stephanie Holthus, NU	So.	OH
Kristin Carpenter, Penn State	Jr.	S
*Deja McClendon, Penn State	So.	OH
Katie Slay, Penn State	So.	MH
Carly Cramer, Purdue	Jr.	DS
Tiffany Fisher, Purdue	Sr.	MB
Ariel Turner, Purdue	Jr.	OH
Alexis Mitchell, Wisconsin	Jr.	MB

^{* -} unanimous selection

2011 Big Ten Preseason Coaches Poll

- 1. Penn State
- 2. Illinois
- Nebraska 4. Purdue
- 5. Minnesota
- 6. Michigan State

2011 Schedule and Results

Date	Opponent	W/L	Score	Set Scores	Site	Att.	Record	Time
Aug. 26	Oregon	L	3-1	25-16, 21-25, 20-25, 22-25	University Park, Pa.	3,710	0-1	2:04
Aug. 27	No. 2 USC	W	3-2	21-25, 21-25, 25-20, 25-22, 15-8	University Park, Pa.	6,165	1-1	2:29
Sept. 2	Miami (Ohio)	W	3-0	25-20, 25-18, 25-21	Pittsburgh, Pa.		2-1	1:36
Sept. 2	Pittsburgh	W	3-0	25-13, 25-12, 25-18	Pittsburgh, Pa.	2,138	3-1	1:24
Sept. 3	New Hampshire	W	3-0	25-14, 25-11, 25-11	Pittsburgh, Pa.		4-1	1:08
Sept. 9	No. 3 Stanford	L	3-1	25-23, 19-25, 25-27, 18-25	Palo Alto, Calif.	3,021	4-2	2:07
Sept. 10	No. 10 Texas	L	3-2	23-25, 20-25, 25-19, 25-14, 10-15	Palo Alto, Calif.	2,188	4-3	2:20
Sept. 16	Long Island	W	3-0	29-27, 25-8, 25-13	University Park, Pa.	2,413	5-3	1:16
Sept. 17	Rutgers	W	3-0	25-12, 25-17, 25-14	University Park, Pa.		6-3	1:04
Sept. 17	Florida Gulf Coast	W	3-1	20-25, 25-11, 25-17, 25-11	University Park, Pa.	3,114	7-3	1:38
Sept. 21	No. 10 Nebraska	L	3-2	18-25, 16-25, 25-23, 25-19, 10-15	Lincoln, Neb.	4,186	7-4	2:30
Sept. 24	Iowa	W	3-0	25-23, 25-23, 25-14	Iowa City, Iowa	2,133	8-4	1:35
Sept. 30	Wisconsin	W	3-0	25-18, 25-20, 25-22	University Park, Pa.	3,327	9-4	1:28
Oct. 1	No. 10 Minnesota	W	3-0	25-15, 26-24, 25-15	University Park, Pa.	3,311	10-4	1:29
Oct. 5	Northwestern	W	3-2	19-25, 25-22, 18-25, 25-13, 11-15	University Park, Pa.	1,447	11-4	2:18
Oct. 8	No. 1 Illinois	L	3-2	25-21, 21-25, 25-23, 21-25, 12-15	University Park, Pa.	5,211	11-5	2:57
Oct. 14	No. 11 Purdue	W	3-1	32-30, 16-25, 25-19, 25-19	West Lafayette, Ind.	2,277	12-5	2:00
Oct. 15	Indiana	W	3-0	25-18, 25-16, 25-21	Bloomington, Ind.	1,133	13-5	1:25
Oct. 19	No. 23 Ohio State	W	3-0	28-26, 25-18, 25-15	University Park, Pa.	2,106	14-5	1:30
Oct. 22	No. 21 Michigan	W	3-0	25-22, 25-21, 25-23	University Park, Pa.	2.578	15-5	1:34
Oct. 28	Iowa	W	3-1	25-23, 18-25, 25-16, 25-20	University Park, Pa.	2,765	16-5	1:51
Oct. 29	No. 1 Nebraska	W	3-1	25-17, 25-15, 17-25, 25-17	University Park, Pa.	4,417	17-5	2:09
Nov. 4	No. 15 Minnesota	W	3-2	27-25, 25-17, 23-25, 23-25, 15-12	Minneapolis, Minn.	4,731	18-5	2:46
Nov. 6	Wisconsin	L	3-2	24-26, 19-25, 34-32, 25-14, 12-15	Madison, Wis.	4,391	18-6	2:37
Nov. 11	No. 7 Illinois	L	3-0	21-25, 23-25, 26-28	Champaign, Ill.	3,905	18-7	1:39
Nov. 12	Northwestern	W	3-0	25-19, 25-14, 25-17	Evanston, Ill.	1,750	19-7	1:21
Nov. 18	Indiana	W	3-0	25-14, 25-23, 25-12	University Park, Pa.	2,490	20-7	1:23
Nov. 19	No. 8 Purdue	W	3-1	22-25, 25-18, 25-15, 25-18	University Park, Pa.	3,693	21-7	2:02

Individual Player Match-By-Match Highs

Date	Opponent	Kills	Attacks	Assists	Digs	Total Blocks
Aug. 26	Oregon	15 - McClendon	45 - Scott	32 - Carpenter	9 - Gonzalez	5 - Kabbes
Aug. 27	USC	25 - McClendon	53 - McClendon	45 - Hancock	20 - Carpenter	10 - Kabbes
Sept. 2	Miami (Ohio)	14 - McClendon	34 - McClendon	32 - Hancock	10 - Carpenter	3 - Martin
•					•	3 - Grant
Sept. 2	Pittsburgh	12 - Scott	29 - Scott	27 - Hancock	11 - Hancock	2 - Slay
-					11 - Carpenter	•
Sept. 3	New Hampshire	6 - Whitney	16 - McClendon	30 - Hancock	10 - Carpenter	6 - Slay
		6 - McClendon				
Sept. 9	Stanford	17 - McClendon	50 - McClendon	45 - Hancock	16 - Carpenter	3 - Grant
Sept. 10	Texas	25 - McClendon	50 - McClendon	52 - Hancock	23 - Carpenter	8 - Slay
Sept. 16	Long Island	9 - McClendon	19 - Scott	23 - Hancock	8 - McClendon	5 - Slay
Sept. 17	Rutgers	10 - McClendon	22 - Scott	33 - Hancock	10 - McClendon	4 - Slay
Sept. 17	Florida Gulf Coast	17 - Scott	31 - Scott	36 - Hancock	13 - Hancock	10 - Slay
Sept. 21	Nebraska	23 - Scott	55 - McClendon	53 - Hancock	16 - Longo	5 - Grant
Sept. 24	Iowa	18 - Scott	44 - Scott	37 - Hancock	17 - Longo	5 - Slay
Sept. 30	Wisconsin	12 - Scott	29 - McClendon	29 - Hancock	11 - Longo	5 - Slay
Oct. 1	Minnesota	14 - Scott	38 - Scott	29 - Hancock	10 - Martin	7 - Slay
Oct. 5	Northwestern	16 - McClendon	49 - Scott	43 - Hancock	18 - Longo	6 - Slay
Oct. 8	Illinois	27 - Scott	74 - Scott	45 - Hancock	24 - Longo	7 - Slay
Oct. 14	Purdue	14 - McClendon	39 - Scott	44 - Hancock	19 - Longo	4 - Slay
Oct. 15	Indiana	13 - McClendon	24 - Scott	31 - Hancock	11 - Longo	5 - Slay
Oct. 19	Ohio State	9 - Grant	20 - Scott	32 - Hancock	9 - Longo	8 - Slay
		9 - Slay				
Oct. 22	Michigan	11 - Scott	27 - Scott	33 - Hancock	12 - Longo	3 - Grant
						3 - Slay
Oct. 28	Iowa	20 - Scott	50 - Scott	47 - Hancock	18 - Longo	6 - Slay
Oct. 29	Nebraska	18 - McClendon	47 - McClendon	35 - Hancock	17 - Longo	8 - Slay
Nov. 4	Minnesota	26 - Scott	56 - McClendon	58 - Hancock	18 - Longo	9 - Grant
Nov. 6	Wisconsin	23 - Scott	57 - Scott	60 - Hancock	17 - Longo	6 - Grant
						6 - Slay
Nov. 11	Illinois	17- McClendon	40 - McClendon	35 - Hancock	17 - Longo	3 - Scott
Nov. 12	Northwestern	20 - McClendon	41 - McClendon	42 - Hancock	12 - Longo	6 - Slay
Nov. 18	Indiana	15 - Scott	30 - Scott	38 - Hancock	11 - Longo	7 - Slay
Nov. 19	Purdue	18 - McClendon	45 - McClendon	47 - Hancock	26 - Longo	8 - Slay
Totals (in	cluding ties)	15 - McClendon	16 - Scott	27 - Hancock	17 - Longo	21 - Slay
		12 - Scott	12 - McClendon	1 - Carpenter	6 - Carpenter	6 - Grant
		1 - Whitney			2 - McClendon	2 - Kabbes
		1 - Grant			2 - Hancock	1 - Martin
		1 - Slay			1 - Gonzalez	1 - Scott
					1 - Martin	

Team Match-By-Match State Comparison

Date	Opponent	Sets	Kills	Hitting %	Aces	<u>Digs</u>	Total Team Blocks	Total Points Scored*
Aug. 26	Oregon	4	48/62	.308/.277	5/4	43/53	8.5/5.5	61.5/71.5
Aug. 27		5	65/64	.298/.265	8/4	58/60	18.5/6.0	91.5/74.0
Sept. 2	Miami (Ohio)	3	40/29	.250/.153	5/3	32/27	6.0/6.5	51.0/38.5
Sept. 2	Pittsburgh	3	38/26	.348/.090	6/3	39/34	6.0/4.0	50.0/33.0
Sept. 3	New Hampshire	3	38/20	.397/.037	9/1	37/27	8.0/1.5	55.0/22.5
Sept. 9	Stanford	4	57/50	.142/.224	5/1	63/65	5.5/15.0	67.5/66.0
Sept. 10	Texas	5	61/50	.217/.152	10/9	69/62	13.5/13.0	84.5/72.0
	Long Island	3	38/22	.308/067	6/3	33/24	10.0/6.0	54.0/31.0
Sept. 17	Rutgers	3	45/22	.419/.048	4/2	35/25	8.0/2.0	57.0/26.0
Sept. 17	Florida Gulf Coast	4	54/32	.315/.094	11/3	45/34	14.0/10.0	79.0/45.0
Sept. 21	Nebraska	5	56/62	.182/.229	3/3	60/66	9.0/11.0	68.0/76.0
Sept. 24	Iowa	3	45/37	.234/.158	5/2	50/56	6.0/1.0	56.0/40.0
Sept. 30	Wisconsin	3	39/32	.202/.105	10/4	34/42	11.5/7.5	60.5/43.5
Oct. 1	Minnesota	3	40/37	.344/.143	5/0	41/41	14.5/4.0	59.5/41.0
Oct. 5	Northwestern	5	59/52	.229/.180	4/10	74/61	11.0/9.0	74.0/71.0
Oct. 8	Illinois	5	68/55	.134/.184	9/8	99/93	12.5/17.0	89.5/80.0
Oct. 14	Purdue	4	59/57	.250/.250	10/3	65/64	7.5/8/0	76.5/68.0
Oct. 15	Indiana	3	37/27	.221/.023	4/2	32/26	10.0/9.0	51.0/38.0
Oct. 19	Ohio State	3	45/37	.389/.225	3/1	29/31	10.0/5.5	58.0/43.5
Oct. 22	Michigan	3	45/42	.330/.237	6/3	42/41	6.0/6.0	57.0/51.0
Oct. 28	Iowa	4	58/50	.242/.191	9/5	81/78	11.0/6.0	78.0/61.0
Oct. 29	Nebraska	4	49/42	.194/.116	9/1	64/56	14.0/8.0	71.0/52.0
Nov. 4	Minnesota	5	72/69	.335/.246	7/8	68/83	17.5/0.0	96.5/77.0
Nov. 6	Wisconsin	5	77/59	.212/.173	4/2	79/86	15.0/14.0	96.0/75.0
Nov. 11	Illinois	3	45/42	.248/.340	9/6	45/50	5.0/3.0	59.0/51.0
Nov. 12	Northwestern	3	47/29	.346/.126	3/1	49/42	12.0/5.0	62.0/35.0
Nov. 18	Indiana	3	44/31	.385/.121	6/2	45/40	7.0/2.0	57.0/35.0
Nov. 19	Purdue	4	58/49	.285/.169	6/4	70/67	10.0/4.0	74.0/57.0

^{*} indicates total points scored by a team (kills, aces, blocks), not the cumulative total game scores, which also take into account opponent errors

	2011 Penn State Superlative	<u>s</u>
Three sets	Individual	Team
	20 - Deja McClendon at Northwestern (11/12)	
Attacks:	44 - Ariel Scott at Iowa (9/24)	124 - at Iowa (9/24)
Attack Percentage*:	818 (9-0-11) - Nia Grant vs. Ohio State (10/19)	419 (45-9-86) - vs. Rutgers (9/17)
Assists:	42 - Micha Hancock at Northwestern (11/12)	46 - at Northwestern (11/12)
	6 - Micha Hancock vs. New Hampshire (9/3)	
Digs:	17 - 2x, last, Ali Longo at Illinois (11/11)	50 - at Iowa (9/24)
Solo Blocks:	2 - 3x, last, Katie Slay at Northwestern (11/12)	6 - vs. Wisconsin (9/30)
Block Assists:	8 - Katie Slay vs. Ohio State (10/19)	25 - vs. Minnesota (10/1)
Total Blocks:	8 - Katie Slay vs. Ohio State (10/19)	
	<u>Individual</u>	
Kills:	20 - Ariel Scott vs. Iowa (10/28)	59 - at Purdue (10/14)
Attacks:	50 - 2x, last, A. Scott vs. lowa (10/28)	169 - at Stanford (9/9)
Attack Percentage*:	571 (9-1-14) Katie Slay vs. FGCU (9/17)	
Assists:	47 - 2x, last, Micha Hancock vs. Purdué (11/19)	56 - 2x, last vs. Iowa (10/28)
Aces:	6 - Micha Hancock vs. Nebraska (10/29)	11 - vs. FGCU (9/17)
Digs:	26 - Ali Longo vs. Purdue (11/19)	
Solo Blocks:	3 - Nia Grant vs. Iowa (10/28)	3 - 2x, last vs. Nebraska (10/29)
BIOCK ASSISTS:	9 - Katie Slay vs. FGCÙ (9/17)	
TOTAL BIOCKS:	10 - Katie Slay vs. FGCU (9/17)	14.0 - 2x, last vs. Nebraska (10/29)
Five sets	<u>Individual</u>	<u>Team</u>
Kills:	27 - Ariel Scott vs. Illinois (10/5)	77 - at Wisconsin (11/6)
	74 - Ariel Scott vs. Illinois (10/5)	
Attack Percentage*:	647 (11-0-17) - Nia Grant vs. ÚSC (8/27)	
Assists:	60 - Micha Hancock at Wisconsin (11/6)	
Aces:	7 - Micha Hancock vs. Illinois (10/8)	
	24 - Ali Longo vs. Illinois (10/8)	
	3 - Deja McClendon at Wisconsin (11/6) 8 - 5x, last, A. Scott & N. Grant at Minnesota (11/4)	
Total Blocks:	10 - Katie Kabbes vs. USC (8/27)	
	2011 Opponent Superlatives	
	Individual	STeam_
Kills:	<u>Individual</u>	<u>Team</u>
Kills:Attacks:	14 - Ashley Wittman, Minnesota (10/1)	<u>Team</u>
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Hampton Inn Classic All-Tournament Team ... tallied a career-high 14 kills against Oregon (8/26) in season-opener ... had a teamhigh 12 kills vs. Pitt (9/2) ... totaled 13 kills at the Big Four Classic (9/9-10) ... totaled 34 kills on .319 hitting in the Hampton Inn Classic (9/16-17) ... totaled 23 kills on .360 hitting against Nebraska (9/21) ... had a match-high 18 kills at Iowa (9/24) ... had a match-high 12 kills vs. Wisconsin (9/30) ... posted a team-best 14 kills with a career-best six blocks against Minnesota (10/1) ... had a career-high 27 kills vs. Illnois (10/8) ... second on the team with 12 kills at Indiana (10/15) ... led the team with 11 kills vs. Michgian (10/22) ... led the team with 20 kills vs. Iowa (10/28) ... led the team with 26 kills and a career-high eight blocks at Minnesota (11/4) ... had a match-high 23 kills at Wisconsin (11/6) ... led the team with 15 kills vs. Indiana (11/19).



Had a team-best five blocks vs. Oregon (8/26) ... put up a career-high 10 blocks vs. USC (8/27) ... had six kills vs. New Hampshire (9/3) ... had five kills in eight errorless swings and three blocks vs. Minnesota (10/1).

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2011 SEASON HIGHS	
Kills:	5 vs. USC (8/27)
Attacks:	19 vs. USC (8/27)
Hitting Percentage:	625 (5-0-8) vs. Minnesota (10/1)
	2 vs. USC (8/27)
	N/Á
Digs:	
Blocks:	10 vs. USC (8/27)
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CAREER HIGHS	
Kills:13 v	s. Virginia Commonwealth (9/4/10)
Attacks:	29 at Purdue (10/8/10)
Hitting Percentage:692 (9-0-	13) vs. George Washington (9/17/10)
Digs:	6 vs. Princeton (9/18/10)
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Led the team with nine digs vs. Oregon (8/26) in collegiate debut ... started and tallied 14 digs vs. Illinois (10/8) ... started and tallied seven digs at Purdue (10/14) ... posted six digs at Indiana (10/15) ... had eight digs vs. Michigan (10/22) ... posted 11 digs vs. Nebraska (10/29) ... tallied seven digs at Minnesota (11/4) ... recorded eight digs at Wisconsin (11/6) ... tied for second on the team with 10 digs at Northwestern (11/12).



Preseason All-Big Ten ... Pittsburgh Invitational All-Tournament Team ... was the starting setter in season opener against Oregon (8/26) and had 32 assists ... was the starting libero vs. USC and had a 20 digs ... led the team with 31 digs at Pitt Invitational (9/2-3) ... posted 16 digs vs. Stanford (9/9) ... had a career-high 23 digs vs. Texas (9/10) ... was second on the team with six digs vs. Wisconsin (9/30) ... had nine digs vs. Nebraska (10/29).

2011 SEASON HIGHS	
Kills:	N/A
Attacks:	1, 2x, last vs. Michigan (10/22)
Hitting Percentage:	N/Á
	3 at Purdue (10/14)
Aces:	
	N/A
CAREER HIGHS	
Kills:	N/A
	1, 2x, last vs. Michigan (10/22/11)
Hitting Percentage:	N/Á
Assists:	3 at Purdue (10/14/11)
Aces:	1, 3x, last vs. Illinois (10/8/11)
	14 vs. Illinois (10/8/11)
	N/A

2011 SEASON HIGHS	
Kills:	
Attacks:	
	N/Á
	2, 3x, last vs. Nebraska (10/29)
	23 vs. Texas (9/10)
	2 vs. Oregon (8/26)
CAREER HIGHS	
Kills:	
	13 vs. Duke (12/11/10)
	0 (3-0-3), 3x, last vs. lowa (10/16/10)
	70 at Minnesota (11/27/10)
	2, 5x, last vs. Nebraska (10/29/11)
	23 vs. Texas (9/10/11)
	4 at North Carollia (6/27/10)



Recorded a career-high eight kills vs. Miami (Ohio) (8/26) ... put down a career-best 12 kills and a personal-best nine digs vs. Stanford (9/9) ... pounded seven kills on .545 hitting with three blocks vs. FGCU (9/17) ... had a career-high 10 digs vs. Minnesota (10/1) ... put down eight kills at Purdue (10/14) ... had 10 kills, 14 digs and four blocks vs. lowa (10/28) ... posted six kills and seven digs vs. Indiana (11/18) ... second on the team with 11 kills vs. Purdue (11/19).



Had 11 kills in 17 errorless swings and was second on the team with eight blocks in collegiate debut vs. USC (8/27) ... led the team with three blocks vs. Miami (Ohio) (9/2) ... had four blocks vs. Long Island (9/16) ... put up five blocks at Nebraska (9/21) ... combined for nine total blocks in matches vs. Wisconsin (9/30) and Minnesota (10/1) ... had 10 kills and four blocks vs. Illinois (10/8) ... second on the team with 10 kills at Purdue (10/14) ... tied for first on the team with five blocks at Indiana (10/15) ... posted nine kills in 11 errorless swings vs. Ohio State (10/19) ... had eight kills on.455 hitting vs. Michigan (10/22) ... was second on the team with five blocks, including three solo vs. Iowa (10/28) ... had five blocks vs. Nebraska (10/29) ... had six kills and a personal-best nine blocks at Minnesota (11/4) ... tallied nine kills and tied for first on the team with six blocks at Wisconsin (11/6).

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2011 SEASON HIGHS	
Kills:	11 vs. USC (8/27)
Attacks:	
Hitting Percentage:	818 (9-0-11) vs. Ohio State (10/19)
Assists:	2 vs. Texas (9/10)
Aces:	2, 4x, last at Wisconsin (11/6)
Digs:	5, 2x, last vs. Illinois (10/8)
Blocks:	
CAREER HIGHS	
	11 vs. USC (8/27/11)
Attacks:	18, 2x, last at Wisconsin (11/6/11)
Hitting Percentage:	647 (11-0-17) vs. USC (8/27/11)
	2 vs. Texas (9/10/11)
Aces:	2, 4x, last at Wisconsin (11/6/11)
Digs:	5, 2x, last vs. Illinois (10/8/11)
Blocks:	9 at Minnesota (11/4/11)







Had three kills and three blocks vs. New Hampshire (9/3).

1 vs. Rutgers (9/17
4 at lowa (9/24)
N/A
vs. Rutgers (9/17/11)
4 at Iowa (9/24/11
N/A

2011 SEASON HIGHS	
Kills:	3 vs. New Hampshire (9/3)
Attacks:	5 vs. New Hampshire (9/3)
Hitting Percentage:	600 (3-0-5) vs. New Hampshire (9/3)
Assists:	N/A
Aces:	N/A
Digs:	2 vs. New Hampshire (9/3)
Blocks:	3 vs. New Hampshire (9/3)
CAREER HIGHS	
Kills:	
Attacks:	5 vs. New Hampshire (9/3/11)
	00 (3-0-5) vs. New Hampshire (9/3/11)
	3, 2x, last vs. Princeton (9/18/10)
	1, 5x, last vs. Pennsylvania (12/4/09)
Digs:	3 vs. Campbell (8/28/10)
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Returned to the court for the first time since 2009 against Oregon (8/26) ... had three kills in three attempts vs. New Hampshire (9/3) ... put down three kills vs. Rutgers (9/17) ... totaled five kills at lowa (9/24).



AVCA Showcase All-Tournament Team ... Pittsburgh Invitational MVP ... Big Ten Co-Freshman of the Week (11/14) ... had seven kills in eight errorless swings, a match-high six aces and guided Penn State to a .298 hitting percentage vs. USC (8/27) ... had 27 assists and tied for first on the team with 11 digs vs. Pitt (9/2) ... had 30 assists and a team-best six aces vs. New Hampshire (9/3) ... totaled 97 assists and was second on the team with 23 digs at Big Four Classic (9/9-10) ... tallied 92 assists (9/20 assists per set), seven aces and a team-high 28 digs in the Hampton Inn Classic (9/16-17) ... totaled 53 assists and 12 digs against Nebraska (9/21) ... had 37 assists and seven digs at Iowa (9/24) ... paced the offense with 29 assists and had four kills in five attempts vs. Minnesota (10/1) ... had 45 assists, a career-high seven aces and 19 digs vs. Illinois (10/8) ... had 44 assists, four kills and four aces at Purdue (10/14) ... had 31 assists and three blocks at Indiana (10/15) ... tallied 33 assists and three aces vs. Michigan (10/22) ... dished out 47 assists, had four aces and 16 digs vs. Iowa (10/28) ... had 35 assists and six aces vs. Nebraska (10/29) ... had 58 assists and led the team with 18 digs at Minnesota (11/4) ... dished out 60 assists and had 13 digs at Wisconsin (11/6) ... had 35 assists and three aces at Illinois (11/11) ... had 42 assists and two aces at Northwestern (11/12) ... combined for 85 assists vs. Indiana and Purdue (11/18-19).

2011 SEASON HIGHS	
Kills:	5, 2x, last vs. Northwestern (10/5)
Attacks:	14 at lowa (9/24)
Hitting Percentage:	1.000 (3-0-3) vs. New Hampshire (9/3)
Assists:	N/Á
Aces:	N/A
Digs:	2, 2x, last at lowa (9/24)
Blocks:	1 vs. Northwestern (10/5)
CAREER HIGHS	
	15 vs. Miami (Ohio) (8/28/09)
Attacks:	31 vs. Texas (12-19-09)
Hitting Percentage:	643 (9-0-14) at Florida (12/11/09)
	N/A
Digs:	8 vs. Robert Morris (9/5/09)
Blocks:	5, 2x, last at Indiana (11/21/09)

2011 SEASON HIGHS	
Kills:	
Attacks:	15 vs. Illinois (10/8)
Hitting Percentage:	
	60 at Wisconsin (11/6)
Aces:	7 vs. Illinois (10/8)
Digs:	
	5 vs. Texas (9/10)
CAREER HIGHS	
	7, 3x, last at Wisconsin (11/6/11)
	15 vs. Illinois (10/8/11)
Hitting Percentage:	875 (7-0-8) vs. USC (8/27/11)
Assists:	60 at Wisconsin (11/6/11)
Aces:	7 vs. Illinois (10/8/11)
Digs:	19 vs. Illinois (10/8/11)
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Made 2011 debut vs. Oregon (8/26) ... had seven digs at Stanford (9/9) ... had a career-high eight digs and two aces vs. Texas (9/10) ... posted a dig vs. Michigan (10/22) ... had a dig vs. Indiana (11/18).



Made collegiate debut against New Hampshire (9/3) and had six kills and two blocks ... put down 15 kills vs. Texas (9/10) ... pounded six kills vs. Long Island (9/16) ... had seven kills and three blocks vs. Rutgers (9/17) ... had nine kills on .353 hitting against Nebraska (9/21) ... pounded nine kills and had three blocks at Minnesota (11/4) ... totaled six kills at Illinois (11/11).

2011 SEASON HIGHS	
Kills:	N/A
	N/A
Hitting Percentage:	N/A
	1 at Stanford (9/9
	2 vs. Texas (9)/10
Digs:	8 vs. Texas (9/10
	N/A
CAREER HIGHS	
Kills:	N/A
	1 vs. Stanford (9/11/10
Hitting Percentage:	N/A
Assists:	
Aces:	
Digs:	8 vs. Texas (9/10/11
Blocks:	N/A

2011 SEASON HIGHS	
Kills:	15 vs. Texas (9/10)
	30 vs. Texas (9/10)
Hitting Percentage:	500 (6-1-10) vs. Long Island (9/16)
Assists:	N/A
	N/A
Digs:	5 at Wisconsin (11/6)
Blocks:	4 vs. Nebraska (10/29)
CAREER HIGHS	
	15 vs. Texas (9/10/11)
Attacks:	30 vs. Texas (9/10/11)
	.500 (6-1-10) vs. Long Island (9/16/11)
	N/A
	N/A
	5 at Wisconsin (11/6/11)
Blocks:	4 vs. Nebraska (10/29/11)



Made collegiate debut against New Hampshire (9/3).



Preseason All-Big Ten ... Hampton Inn Classic MVP ... Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week (9/19, 10/3) ... had 11 kills vs. Oregon (8/26) ... pounded a career-high 12 kills vs. USC (8/27) ... had five kills and six blocks vs. New Hampshire (9/3) ... tallied 11 kills at Stanford (9/9) ... posted seven kills and had eight blocks vs. Texas (9/10) ... had 27 kills on .561 hitting and 19 blocks in the Hampton Inn Classic (9/16-17) ... had six kills and four blocks against Nebraska (9/21) ... led the team with five blocks at Iowa (9/24) ... totaled 12 blocks in matches vs. Wisconsin (9/30) and Minnesota (10/1) ... had 10 kills and a team-best seven blocks vs. Illinois (10/8) ... led the team with four blocks at Purdue (10/14) ... tied for first on the team with five blocks at Indiana (10/15) ... had nine kills in sixteen errorless swings vs. Michigan (10/22) ... had 10 kills and a team-best six blocks vs. lowa (10/28) ... had a teambest eight blocks vs. Nebraska (10/29) ... posted seven blocks at Minnesota (11/4) ... had 16 kills and six blocks at Wisconsin (11/6) ... had six kills and six blocks at Northwestern (11/12) ... led the team with seven blocks vs. Indiana (11/18) ... had nine kills and a team-best eight blocks vs. Purdue (11/19).

2011 SEASON HIGHS	
Kills:	N/ <i>A</i>
Attacks:	
Hitting Percentage:	
Assists:	
Aces:	N/ <i>A</i>
Digs:	N/ <i>A</i>
Blocks:	N/ <i>A</i>
CAREER HIGHS	
Kills:	N/ <i>F</i>
Attacks:	
Hitting Percentage:	
Assists:	
Aces:	
Digs:	
Blocks:	

2011 SEASON HIGHS	
Kills:	
Attacks:	28 at Wisconsin (11/6)
	769 (10-0-13) vs. Rutgers (9/17)
	3 vs. Long Island (9/16)
	1 vs. Oregon (8/26)
Digs:	6 vs. Oregon (8/26)
	10 vs. FGCU (9/17)
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CAREER HIGHS	
Kills:	16 at Wisconsin (11/6/11)
Attacks:	28 at Wisconsin (11/6/11)
Hitting Percentage:	769 (10-0-13) vs. Rutgers (9/17/11)
Assists:	3 vs. Long Island (9/16/11)
Aces:	1 vs. Oregon (8/26/11)
Digs:	6 vs. Oregon (8/26/11)
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Unanimous Preseason All-Big Ten ... AVCA Showcase All-Tournament Team ... Pittsburgh Invitational All-Tournament Team ... Nike Big Four Volleyball Classic All-Tournament Team ... Big Ten Player of the Week (11/14) ... led the team with 15 kills and was second on the team with four blocks vs. Oregon (8/26) ... tallied a careerhigh 25 kills vs. USC (8/27) ... led the team with 30 kills in the Pitt Invitational (9/2-3) ... had a team-high 42 kills at Big Four Classic (9/9-10) ... totaled 25 kills and was third on the team with 26 digs in the Hampton Inn Classic (9/16-17) ... had 16 kills at Nebraska (9/21) ... second on the team with 10 kills at lowa (9/24) ... tied for second on the team with eight kills and had three aces vs. Wisconsin (9/30) ... had a team-high 14 kills at Purdue (10/14) ... led the team with 13 kills at Indiana (10/15) ... second on the team with 10 kills vs. Michigan (10/22) ... led the team with 18 kills vs. Nebraska (10/29) ... tallied 23 kills and 10 digs at Minnesota (11/4) ... posted 17 kills at five blocks at Wisconsin (11/6) ... totaled 17 kills on .350 hitting at Illinois (11/11) ... led the team with 20 kills on .439 hitting and 10 digs at Northwestern (11/12) ... had 13 kills on .464 hitting vs. Indiana (11/18) ... led the team with 18 kills and had nine digs and four blocks vs. Purdue (11/19).



Hampton Inn Classic All-Tournament Team ... recorded nine digs vs. USC (8/27) ... tallied three aces vs. Miami (Ohio) (9/2) ... second on the team with 27 digs in the Hampton Inn Classic (9/16-17) ... led team with 16 digs against Nebraska (9/21) ... posted 17 digs at Iowa (9/24) ... had a team-high 11 digs vs. Wisconsin (9/30) ... had 24 digs vs. Illinois (10/8) ... had a team-high 19 digs at Purdue (10/14) ... led the team with 11 digs at Indiana (10/15) ... had a team-best 12 digs vs. Michigan (10/22) ... posted 18 digs vs. Iowa ... had 17 digs vs. Nebraska (10/29) ... had 13 digs at Minnesota (11/4) ... had a team-high 17 digs at Wisconsin (11/6) ... totaled 17 digs at Illinois (11/11) ... had a team-best 12 digs at Northwestern (11/12) ... posted a career-high 26 digs vs. Purdue (11/19).

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2011 SEASON HIGHS	
Kills:	N/A
Attacks:	2, 2x, last at Wisconsin (11/6)
	N/Á
Assists:	7 vs. Illinois (10/8)
	3 vs. Miami (Ohio) (9/2)
	26 vs. Purdue (11/19)
	N/A
CAREER HIGHS	
Kills:	N/A
	2, 3x, last at Wisconsin (11/6/11)
	N/A
	7 vs. Illinois (10/8/11)
	3, 3x, last vs. Miami (Ohio) (9/2/11)
Placks	NI/A



Made her collegiate debut vs. Oregon (8/26) ... second on the team with 13 digs vs. Texas (9/10) ... posted nine digs vs. Illinois (10/8) ... tallied five digs vs. lowa (10/28) ... had a dig vs. Purdue (11/19).

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2011 SEASON HIGHS	
Kills:	N/A
Attacks:	N/A
	N/A
	2 vs. Illinois (10/8)
Aces:	2 vs. FGCU (9/17)
	13 vs. Texas (9/10)
	N/Á
CAREER HIGHS	
Kills:	N/A
Attacks:	N/A
	N/A
	2 vs. Illinois (10/8/11)
	1, 3x, last vs. Texas (9/10/11)
Digs:	13 vs. Texas (9/10/11)
	N/Á