



# UC SANTA BARBARA

## 2017 Men's Volleyball

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#### • 2017 Gaucho Record

7-9 Overall, 4-9 MPSF  
 6-3 Home / 1-6 Away / 0-0 Neutral

#### • 2017 Schedule/Results

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
Jan. 6	McKendree%	W, 3-1
Jan. 6	Mount Olive%	W, 3-1
Jan. 7	Fort Wayne%	W, 3-0
Jan. 11	No. 7 UC Irvine*	L, 3-2
Jan. 13	UC San Diego	W, 3-0
Jan. 18	USC*	W, 3-2
Jan. 20	Cal Baptist*	W, 3-0
Jan. 25	at No. 2 UCLA*	L, 3-0
Jan. 27	No. 2 UCLA*\$	L, 3-0
Feb. 3	at No. 5 Hawaii*	L, 3-0
Feb. 4	at No. 5 Hawaii*	L, 3-1
Feb. 8	at No. 9 Pepperdine*	L, 3-1
Feb. 11	at No. 8 Stanford*	L, 3-2
Feb. 15	No. 2 Long Beach State*	L, 3-0
Feb. 24	at UC San Diego*	W, 3-0
Feb. 25	at No. 7 UC Irvine*	L, 3-2
Mar. 3	at No. 15 Penn State	4:30 PM
Mar. 4	Lees-McRae (at Penn State)	2 PM
Mar. 8	Cal State Northridge*	7 PM
Mar. 11	Lewis	7 PM
Mar. 13	Harvard	7 PM
Mar. 16	Concordia University Irvine	7 PM
Mar. 30	at Cal Baptist*	7 PM
Mar. 31	at USC*	7 PM
Apr. 6	BYU*	7 PM
Apr. 7	BYU*	7 PM
Apr. 15	MPSF Quarters	TBA
Apr. 20	MPSF Semifinals	TBA
Apr. 22	MPSF Championship	TBA
Apr. 29	NCAA Tournament	TBA

\* - Denotes MPSF Conference Game  
 % - UCSB Asics/South Coast Inn-vitational  
 Home games are listed in **bold**  
 Home games played at Rob Gym unless otherwise stated  
 \$ - Denotes game played at the Thunderdome  
 Rankings accurate as of date of match  
 All times PST/PTD

#### No. 13 UCSB Heads to Happy Valley for Non-Conference Pair

**Gauchos an undefeated 3-0 in non-league play this year**

#### • The Schedule

Friday, Mar. 3 at 4:30 PM PT  
 No. 13 UCSB vs. No. 15 Penn State (11-6)  
 at Rec Hall in University Park, Pa.  
 All-time Record / Streak vs. the Nittany Lions – 8-6 / Lost 1  
 UCSB Streak / Last 10 – Lost 1 / 2-8  
 PSU Streak / Last 10 – Won 2 / 8-2  
 Last time out: PSU 3-1 UCSB (3/11/2011)

Saturday, Mar 4 at 2:00 PM PT  
 No. 13 UCSB vs. Lees-McRae (5-9)  
 at Rec Hall in University Park, Pa.  
 All-time Record / Streak vs. the Bobcats – First meeting  
 UCSB Streak / Last 10 – Lost 1 / 2-8  
 LMC Streak / Last 10 – Won 1 / 3-7

#### • The Week Ahead

No. 13 UC Santa Barbara takes a break from MPSF action this week, traveling to Pennsylvania for a pair of non-conference showdowns against Penn State and Conference Carolinas-member Lees-McRae.

#### • The Week in Review

UCSB split its two matches last week, comfortably sweeping UC San Diego on Friday to break a seven-match skid before falling in a five-set heartbreaker to No. 7 UC Irvine the next night. Jacob Delson had an 11 kill-12 dig double-double to lead the Gauchos over the Tritons, while Keenan Sanders added nine kills on 13 swings. UCSB held UCSD under .100 hitting in each frame, and pulled off 7-0 runs in the first two games. 34 kills from Delson against UCI wasn't enough, as the Anteaters shook off one UCSB match point in the fourth set and two match points in the fifth to complete the comeback. Three of the five sets against UCI required extra points, and four of five were decided by two points.

#### • Rank and File

With its 1-1 week, UCSB stayed at No. 13 in this week's AVCA Men's Division I-II poll. Meanwhile, Penn State checked in at No. 15 in the poll, while Lees-McRae went unranked.

#### • Historic Performance for Delson

Delson's 34 kills in a five-set loss to UC Irvine last week was notable for a variety of reasons. The Westlake, Calif. native recorded the most kills and most points of any MPSF player in a single match this season, and he became just the second Gaucho to hit the 34-kill plateau in the Rick McLaughlin era (since 2008) and the first since Jeff Menzel (Feb. 12, 2010 vs. Long Beach State). Delson now ranks second in the MPSF and in the nation with a 4.43 kills per set average, which would be the eighth-highest in UCSB rally scoring history were the season to end today.

#### • Non-Conference, No Problem

UCSB has thrived in out-of-league competition since the beginning of 2015, sporting a 13-3 record over that span (.813 winning percentage). The Gauchos are 40-19 against non-conference foes all-time under Rick McLaughlin.

#### • Big West Adds Men's Volleyball

2017 will be the last season in the MPSF for UCSB, as the Gauchos will be an inaugural member when the Big West Conference adds men's volleyball for the 2018 season. They will be joined by Hawaii, Long Beach State, UC Irvine, CSUN, and UC San Diego.

#### • California Boys

As is usually the case, the 2017 UCSB men's volleyball team is comprised solely of California natives. The Gauchos are the only NCAA Division I-II team made up entirely of players from California.



## We are ...

- Please refer to our teams by one of the following three names – UC Santa Barbara, UCSB or Gauchos.
- Please do not call us University of California, Santa Barbara; California, Santa Barbara; Cal-Santa Barbara; UC-Santa Barbara; U.C.S.B. or any variation of the above. Our women's teams are also simply called Gauchos, not Lady Gauchos. Thank you.



## • 2017 UCSB Men's Volleyball Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown / Previous School
2	Casey McGarry	S	6-1	Fr.	Manhattan Beach, Calif. / Loyola HS
5	Keenan Sanders	MB	6-7	Fr.	San Diego, Calif. / Scripps Ranch HS
6	Grady Zant	S	5-10	Sr.	Huntington Beach, Calif. / Mater Dei HS
7	Bradley Maricle	OH	6-4	Fr.	Palos Verdes, Calif. / Palos Verdes HS
8	Brandon Hopper	MB	6-7	RFr.	San Clemente, Calif. / San Clemente HS
10	Jacob Delson	OH	6-5	RSr.	Westlake Village, Calif. / Westlake HS
11	Grady Yould	L	6-0	Fr.	Laguna Niguel, Calif. / Dana Hills HS
12	Corey Chavers	OH	6-6	So.	Downey, Calif. / Gahr HS
13	Connor Drake	MB	6-8	RSo.	Granite Bay, Calif. / Del Oro HS
14	Owen Karlenzig	OH	6-5	RFr.	San Anselmo, Calif. / Drake HS
15	Kevin Fults	OPP	6-3	RFr.	Corona del Mar, Calif. / Corona del Mar HS
16	Hayden Boehle	OH/L	6-1	Jr.	Westchester, Calif. / Loyola HS
17	Davis Boehle	L/S	6-1	Fr.	Westchester, Calif. / Loyola HS
18	Parker Boehle	L	5-10	RSr.	Westchester, Calif. / Loyola HS
19	Randy DeWeese	S	6-6	Fr.	Sacramento, Calif. / Natomas Pacific Pathways Prep
20	Jack Truman	MB	6-11	Fr.	Redondo Beach, Calif. / Loyola HS
22	Roy McFarland	OH	6-4	Fr.	Manhattan Beach, Calif. / Mira Costa HS
23	Spencer Fredrick	OPP	6-3	Fr.	Lynwood, Calif. / Valley Christian HS
24	Henri Cherry	MB	6-6	RSo.	Templeton, Calif. / Templeton HS

Head Coach: Rick McLaughlin, 9th season

Assistant Coaches: Cullen Irons, Vince Devany

### ***Pronunciation Guide***

Hayden/Parker/Davis **Boehle** ..... Bo-Lee

### ***The Rick McLaughlin File***

Rick McLaughlin, formerly the men's volleyball coach at Loyola Marymount, an assistant women's coach at UCSB, and the women's coach at Golden West College, was named UCSB's head men's volleyball coach in June of 2008.



Only the second head coach on the Gaucho bench in the last 40 years, McLaughlin has the program on the upswing, going 70-45 (.609 winning percentage) since 2014 with four straight postseason trips. He recorded his 100th win at UCSB against Sacred Heart on Jan. 9, 2016.

In just his third year at the helm, McLaughlin brought the Gauchos to the brink of a National Championship in 2011. Embarking on what USA volleyball legend Karch Kiraly called "one of the greatest postseason runs in any sport," UCSB won four straight postseason matches – including a pair of wins over No. 1 ranked USC and the first victory of the season by an away team at BYU's Smith Fieldhouse – to advance to the NCAA Final against Ohio State. The Gauchos would ultimately fall in a five-set heartbreaker.

The Gauchos put together another solid campaign behind McLaughlin in 2016, winning 20 games for just the second time since 1990 and advancing to the MPSF Semifinals at BYU via a first round win at Stanford, the first road win by any team in the MPSF Quarterfinals since 2001.

During his time with the Gauchos, McLaughlin has coached five All-Americans, including 2012 National Blocker of the Year Dylan Davis.

### • Huge Week for Sanders

Keenan Sanders, a freshman middle, was arguably UCSB's top performer last week, earning him a nomination as the MPSF Player of the Week. He hit .563 (23-5-32) for the week, including a career-best 14 kill performance on .632 hitting against UC Irvine. He started the week with nine kills on just 13 swings with a career-high-tying four blocks at UCSD. Sanders ranks eighth overall in the MPSF this season with a .421 hitting percentage.

### • Bright Future

Though the team only returned two starters from last season, the future looks bright for the Gauchos, as the coaching staff brought in the No. 5 ranked recruiting class this season. Three freshmen, middle Keenan Sanders and setters Casey McGarry and Randy DeWeese, have received heavy playing time already.

### • Hello Again

This is UCSB's first trip to Rec Hall since playing there for the 2011 National Championship match, a five-set loss to Ohio State. Current Gaucho assistants Cullen Irons and Vince Devany were starters on that 2011 squad at opposite and setter, respectively.

### • In the Trenches

With just five matches remaining in conference play in 2017, UCSB finds itself battling with three others schools for the final two spots in the MPSF Tournament. Pepperdine and CSUN (both 4-6 in MPSF play) find themselves in playoff position heading into the weekend, while USC (5-8) is one game ahead of UCSB in the standings. The Gauchos have one match remaining against both USC and CSUN, making those arguably the two most important matches for the rest of the year.

### • Strong Week at the Net for Drake

Though Sanders had a great week on the offensive side, sophomore middle blocker Connor Drake put up some impressive numbers at the net, totaling 15 blocks for the week. He tied a career-high with two solo blocks in three sets against UCSD, then tied another career best with eight total roofs against the Anteaters. That huge week moved Drake up to No. 2 in the MPSF in blocking at 1.23 per game.

### • Can You Dig It?

Two-year starting libero Parker Boehle has been consistent as can be this season, notching over 2.0 digs per set in 11 of 16 matches this season. He ranks fifth in the league with a 2.18 digs per set average for the 2017 season.

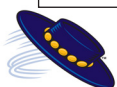
### ***MPSF Standings***

1. Long Beach State*	11-1	MPSF (15-2 overall)
2. BYU	8-1	(14-2)
3. Hawai'i	6-2	(15-2)
4. UC Irvine	8-4	(11-5)
5. UCLA	8-6	(11-7)
6. Stanford	6-5	(9-7)
7. Pepperdine	4-5	(6-6)
8. CSUN	4-6	(11-6)
9. USC	5-8	(6-10)
<b>10. UC Santa Barbara</b>	<b>4-9</b>	<b>(7-9)</b>
11. UC San Diego	2-9	(5-11)
12. Cal Baptist	1-11	(3-13)

\*clinched MPSF Tourney bid

### ***By The Numbers***

Record	7-9
MPSF	4-9
Home	6-3
Away/Neutral	1-6
3-Set Matches	4-4
4-Set Matches	2-2
5-Set Matches	1-3
In 1st Game	8-8
In 2nd Game	9-7
In 3rd Game	9-7
In 4th Game	3-5
In 5th Game	1-3
Kills per game	12.80
Digs per game	8.77



# UCSB Career & Season Highs

Career Highs.....**#2 Casey McGarry**..... Season Highs  
 62 @ Pepperdine (2/8/17) ..... Assists..... 62 @ Pepperdine (2/8/17)  
 2 vs. Fort Wayne (1/7/17) ..... Kills ..... 2 vs. Fort Wayne (1/7/17)  
 11 vs. UCI (1/11/17) ..... Digs ..... 11 vs. UCI (1/11/17)  
 3 vs. UCSD (1/13/17) ..... Aces..... 3 vs. UCSD (1/13/17)  
 4 @ UCSD (2/24/17) ..... Total Blocks..... 4 @ UCSD (2/24/17)

Career Highs.....**#5 Keenan Sanders**..... Season Highs  
 14 @ UCI (2/25/17) ..... Kills ..... 14 @ UCI (2/25/17)  
 1 (twice) ..... Aces..... 1 (twice)  
 4 @ UCSD (2/24/17) ..... BA ..... 4 @ UCSD (2/24/17)  
 1 @ Pepperdine (2/8/17) ..... BS..... 1 @ Pepperdine (2/8/17)  
 4 (twice) ..... Total Blocks ..... 4 (twice)

Career Highs.....**#10 Jacob Delson**..... Season Highs  
 34 @ UCI (2/25/17) ..... Kills ..... 34 @ UCI (2/25/17)  
 4 (three times) ..... Aces..... 4 (twice)  
 12 (twice) ..... Digs ..... 12 (twice)  
 7 @ USC (3/27/15) ..... Total Blocks ..... 5 @ Stanford (2/11/17)

Career Highs.....**#12 Corey Chavers**..... Season Highs  
 18 @ Hawaii (2/4/17) ..... Kills ..... 18 @ Hawaii (2/4/17)  
 12 @ Pepperdine (2/8/17) ..... Digs ..... 12 @ Pepperdine (2/8/17)  
 3 (three times) ..... Aces..... 3 (twice)  
 7 vs. USC (1/18/17) ..... Total Blocks ..... 7 vs. USC (1/18/17)

Career Highs.....**#13 Connor Drake**..... Season Highs  
 12 @ Stanford (2/11/17) ..... Kills ..... 12 @ Stanford (2/11/17)  
 ..... Hitting Percentage .....  
 1 (four times) ..... Aces..... 1 (twice)  
 8 (twice) ..... BA ..... 8 @ UCI (2/25/17)  
 2 @ UCSD (2/24/17) ..... BS..... 2 @ UCSD (2/24/17)  
 8 (twice) ..... Total Blocks ..... 8 @ UCI (2/25/17)

Career Highs.....**#16 Hayden Boehle**..... Season Highs  
 17 @ Pepperdine (2/8/17) ..... Kills ..... 17 @ Pepperdine (2/8/17)  
 16 vs. IPFW (1/10/15) ..... Digs ..... 14 vs. UCI (1/11/17)  
 3 vs. Mt. Olive (1/6/17) ..... Aces..... 3 vs. Mt. Olive (1/6/17)  
 4 vs. Cal Baptist (1/20/17) ..... Blocks..... 4 vs. Cal Baptist (1/20/17)

Career Highs.....**#18 Parker Boehle**..... Season Highs  
 8 vs. Stanford (4/9/16) ..... Assists..... 7 vs. Fort Wayne (1/7/17)  
 18 @ Pepperdine (2/17/16) ..... Digs ..... 15 @ Pepperdine (2/8/17)

Career Highs.....**#19 Randy DeWeese**..... Season Highs  
 56 @ Stanford (2/11/17) ..... Assists..... 56 @ Stanford (2/11/17)  
 5 vs. Stanford (2/11/17) ..... Kills ..... 5 vs. Stanford (2/11/17)  
 10 vs. Stanford (2/11/17) ..... Digs ..... 10 vs. Stanford (2/11/17)  
 2 vs. McKendree (1/6/17) ..... Aces..... 2 vs. McKendree (1/6/17)  
 4 (twice) ..... Total Blocks ..... 4 (twice)

UCSB Career Highs.....**#24 Henri Cherry**..... Season Highs  
 13 at BYU (4/21/16) ..... Kills ..... 11 vs. McKendree (1/6/17)  
 .846 vs. McKendree (1/6/17) ..... Hitting Percentage ..... 846 vs. McKendree (1/6/17)  
 3 vs. McKendree (1/6/17) ..... Aces..... 3 vs. McKendree (1/6/17)  
 8 vs. Hawaii (4/1/16) ..... BA ..... 7 vs. UCI (1/11/17)  
 2 vs. Long Beach St. (2/15/17) ..... BS..... 2 vs. Long Beach St. (2/15/17)  
 9 vs. Hawaii (4/1/16) ..... Total Blocks ..... 7 vs. UCI (1/11/17)

