

SIX-TIME NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

33 NCAA TOURNAMENT APPEARANCES | 16 BIG TEN TITLES

2014 SCHEDULE & RECORD

Overall: 12-1 (Home: 7-0, Away: 1-1, Neutral: 4-0) **Big Ten:** 0-0 (Home: 0-0, Away: 0-0)

AUGUST

Penn State Classic				
29	vs. TCU	W, 3-0		
30	vs. IONA	W, 3-0		
39	vs. WILLIAM & MARY	W, 3-0		

SEPTEMBER

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Big T	Big Ten/Pac-12 Challenge					
5	at Stanford#	L, 3-2				
6	vs. UCLA	W, 3-0				
Villanova Classic						
12	vs. American	W, 3-1				
12	at Villanova	W, 3-0				
13	vs. Yale	W, 3-0				
13	vs. Kansas	W, 3-0				
Penn State Alumni Classic%						
19	vs. EASTERN ILLINOIS	W, 3-0				
19	vs. DEPAUL	W, 3-0				
20	vs. UIC	W, 3-0				
20	vs. EAST CAROLINA	W, 3-0				
24	at Wisconsin*#	7:30 p.m.				
27	at Minnesota*#	8 p.m.				

OCTOBER

3	at Nebraska*#	8 p.m.
4	at lowa*	8 p.m.
8	vs. NORTHWESTERN*#	7:30 p.m.
11	vs. ILLINOIS*	4 p.m.
17	at Purdue*#	8 p.m.
18	at Indiana*	7 p.m.
24	vs. MICHIGAN*#	7 p.m.
25	vs. MICHIGAN STATE*	5:30 p.m.
28	vs. OHIO STATE*#	8 p.m.
31	at Ohio State*	7 p.m.

NOVEMBER

<u>/</u>	vs. RUIGERS*	/ p.m.
8	vs. MARYLAND*	7 p.m.
12	vs. IOWA*	7 p.m.
15	vs. MINNESOTA*	7 p.m.
19	at Michigan*	7 p.m.
22	at Maryland*	7 p.m.
26	at Northwestern*	8 p.m.
29	vs. NEBRASKA*#	8:30 p.m.

DECEMBER

5-6 NCAA First/Second Rounds TE					
12-13 NCAA Regionals					
(Ames, Louisville, S	Seattle, Minneapolis)				
18-20 NCAA Championsh	nip Oklahoma City Okla.				

Home matches played at Rec Hall in CAPS • All times EST and subject to change • * Indicates Big Ten match • # indicates match will be aired on TV • % Indicates Penn State Women in Sports celebration

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WEEK 5: BIG TEN SEASON OPENER

Wednesday, Sept. 24 | Madison, Wis. - UW Fieldhouse

#3 PENN STATE NITTANY LIONS VS.



#5 WISCONSIN BADGERS



GAMEDAY

DETAILS

TV: Big Ten Network
Talent: Liz Tortorello-Nelson &
Mike Wolf

Radio: UWBadgers.com Stats: UWBadgers.com



BADGER

BREAKDOWN
Record: 9-1
Big Ten: 0-0
National Rank: # 5
Last Outing: 12/21/13
Head coach: Kelly Sheffield

FIRST SERVE

- » Penn State kicks off the 2014 Big Ten slate with a midweek matchup on the road at No. 5 Wisconsin. Meeting for the first time since the 2013 NCAA national finals, the Nittany Lions and the Badgers square off Wednesday, Sept. 24 at 7:30 p.m. ET at UW Fieldhouse.
- » The Nittany Lions are presently on a nine-match winning streak that dates back to a straight set victory against UCLA on the road in Palo Alto, Calif. at the Big Ten/Pac-12 Challenge. This past weekend's undefeated mark at home featured 3-0 wins against Eastern Illinois, DePaul, UIC and East Carolina.
- » In conjunction with Penn State's 50 years of Women in Sport celebration, all four the opposing head coaches in the Penn State Alumni Classic were former Nittany Lions, including: Eastern Illinois (Kate Price '08), DePaul (Nadia Edwards '01), University of Illinois-Chicago (Katie Schumacher-Cawley '02) and East Carolina (Julie Torbett '90).
- » Redshirt junior Aiyana Whitney earned Penn State Alumni Classic All-Tournament MVP accolades, while senior Dominique Gonzalez earned a spot on the All-Tournament team. The all-tourney recognition marks the second of the 2014 season for the two.
- » Penn State served up 15 aces in a straight set victory against DePaul this weekend to match a PSU program record. The Nittany Lions originally set the record for the most amount of aces in a three set match in 2002, posting 15 aces against Fairfield Sept, 7th. PSU's 2.10 aces per set in 2014 presently ranks fifth nationally and first in the conference.
- » Senior Micha Hancock earned her second consecutive Big Ten Setter of the Week award for her performances last weekend. The Penn State all-time career aces leader notched 22 aces last weekend to mark the second straight week she's recorded at least 21 aces.
- "> With four victories this weekend, head coach Russ Rose moved into first place on the NCAA DI all-time list with 1,137 career wins. He passed current Hawaii head coach Dave Shoji (1,136) for the top spot this weekend. With the two coaches still active, they'll continue to go back and forth for the top positioning.
- » Averaging 1.17 aces per set, senior Micha Hancock enters the week as the national leader in the category, with 49 aces on the year. She matched a season-high mark twice last weekend with eight aces against DePaul and East Carolina.
- » As a team, the Nittany Lions'.395 overall hitting percentage ranks first nationally and leads the Big Ten. Additionally, four PSU attackers are hitting at .358 or higher, led by senior Nia Grant's .525 hitting clip, which ranks second in the nation and leads the conference. Penn State's 14.71 kills per set on the year also ranks fifth nationally and second in the league.
- » Penn State remains No. 3 in the AVCA Top 25 Coaches Poll for the third consecutive week. Prior to the No. 3 positioning, the Nittany Lions were slotted No. 1 overall for two weeks.
- » PSU has matched up or will soon square off against a total of 10 teams represented in the AVCA Top 25 Coaches Poll, including eight matches against teams in the top 25 and two receiving votes.
- » The Nittany Lions are among six teams from the Big Ten to be featured in the AVCA Top 25 Coaches Poll and one of three within the top 10.
- » Penn State was voted No. 1 in the Big Ten Preseason Coaches' Poll for the second consecutive year, with three Nittany Lions earning preseason All-Big Ten honors.
- » Penn State improved to 30-6 all-time in season-openers, having swept TCU in the first match of the Penn State Classic. The win against the Horned Frogs marked the Nittany Lions' third consecutive season-opening victory.
- » In his 36th season at the helm of the program, five-time AVCA DI National Coach of the Year Russ Rose returns four starters and 11 letterwinners from last year's NCAA national championship squad.
- » The Nittany Lions welcome a highly talented class of eight newcomers in 2014, featuring four state Gatorade Player of the Year honorees. PrepVolleyball.com tabbed PSU's incoming class No. 1 nationally.





PENN STATE AT A GLANCE

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Big Ten
Dr. Eric J. Barron
Sandy Barbour
Charmelle Greene
Rec Hall (5,812)

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL STAFF

Head Coach:	Russ Rose (36th season)
Alma Mater:	George Williams, 1975
Overall Record (Yrs/Pct):	
School Record:	same
Associate Head Coach:	Salima Rockwell
Assistant Coach:	Stevie Mussie
Director of Operations:	Kevin Burch
Volunteer Assistant	Jay Goddu
Office Phone:	(814) 863-7474
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2013 IN REVIEW

2013 Record:	34-2
Home:	17-1
Away:	11-1
Neutral:	6-0
Big Ten record (finish):	19-1 (1st)
Final AVCA Ranking:	No. 1
Postseason Play:	NCAA national champions
First round:	def. LIU-Brooklyn, 3-0
Second round:	def. Utah, 3-0
Regional semifinal:	def. Michigan State, 3-1
Regional final:	def. Stanford, 3-2
National semifinal:	def. Washington, 3-0
National final:	def. Wisconsin, 3-1

NITTANY LION HISTORY First Year of Volleyhall:

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All-Time Record (Years):	1,176-220-4 (38)
All-Time Big Ten Record:	407-53
Years/Win Pct.:	23/.885
Big Ten Titles: (16) '92, '93, '	96, '97, '98, '99,
'03, '04, '05, '06, '07, '08, '0	09, '10, '12, '13)
NCAA Tournament Appearances:	33
NCAA Tournament Record:	84-27
NCAA National Championships:	6
(1999, 2007, 2008, 20	009, 2010, 2013)

2014 ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	SP	K/S	HIT %	A/S	SA/S	D/S	B/S
2	Lara Caraway	DS	5-4	Jr.	7	0.00	.000	0.00	0.14	0.71	0.00
3	Kendall Pierce	DS	5-6	Jr.	22	0.00	.000	0.00	0.00	0.36	0.00
4	Dominique Gonzalez	L	5-6	Sr.	42	0.00	.000	0.88	0.31	3.33	0.00
5	Ali Frantti	ОН	6-1	Fr.	39	3.44	.358	0.26	0.18	1.41	0.46
7	Nia Grant	MH	6-2	Sr.	40	2.50	.525	0.08	0.12	0.65	0.90
8	Lainy Pierce	DS	6-2	Fr.	14	0.00	.000	0.07	0.14	0.14	0.00
9	Skylar Dykstra	DS	5-8	Fr.	4	0.00	.000	0.00	0.25	0.00	0.00
10	Carley Muller	DS	5-9	So.	6	0.00	.000	0.07	0.14	0.00	0.00
11	Nia Reed	ОН	5-9	Fr.	0	0.00	.000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
12	Micha Hancock	S	5-11	Sr.	30	1.07	.338	11.57	0.90	1.80	0.47
13	Taylor Krause	DS	5-6	So.	14	0.00	.000	0.07	0.14	0.75	0.00
14	Aiyana Whitney	ОН	6-4 R	S-Jr.	41	2.63	.429	0.00	0.07	0.34	0.73
15	Haleigh Washington	MB	6-3	Fr.	8	3.12	.537	0.00	0.00	0.25	0.50
17	Megan Courtney	ОН	6-2	Jr.	42	2.67	.372	0.57	0.07	1.90	0.64
19	Heidi Thelen	MB	6-2	Fr.	8	1.25	.381	0.00	0.00	0.12	0.75
21	Bryanna Weiskircher	S	6-1	Fr.	0	0.00	.000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
22	Simone Lee	ОН	6-1	Fr.	35	2.23	.297	0.00	0.00	0.40	0.43
23	Kelly Robertson	MH	6-0	So.	5	0.40	.250	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.40
24	Laura Broerman	DS	5-4	So.	9	0.00	.000	0.00	0.11	0.22	0.00
33	Lacey Fuller	DS	5-6	Sr.	42	0.00	.000	0.21	0.05	1.48	0.00
PENN STATE				42	14.71	.395	13.33	2.10	11.79	2.13	
OPF	PONENTS				42	8.76	.125	8.29	0.50	9.33	1.05

Head Coach: Associate Head Coach: Assistant Coach: Director of Operations: Volunteer Assistant: Russ Rose (George Williams, 1975), 36th year Salima Rockwell (Penn State, 1994) Stevie Mussie (Washington, 2008) Kevin Burch (Ohio State, 2011) Jay Goddu (Villanova, 2013)

ALPHABETICAL

<u>No</u> .	<u>Name</u>	<u>Yr</u> .	<u>Pos</u> .	Ht.	Hometown/High School (College)
24	Laura Broerman	So.	DS	5-4	Colorado Springs, Colo./St. Mary's
2	Lara Caraway	Jr.	DS	5-4	Evans City, Pa./Home Schooled
17	Megan Courtney	Jr.	ОН	6-2	Dayton, Ohio/Archbishop Alter
9	Skylar Dykstra	Fr.	DS	5-9	Redondo Beach, Calif./Redondo (UCLA)
5	Ali Frantti	Fr.	ОН	6-1	Spring Grove, III./Richmond Burton
33	Lacey Fuller	Sr.	DS	5-6	San Diego, Calif./Torrey Pine
4	Dominique Gonzalez	Sr.	L	5-6	San Antonio, Texas/Sandra Day O'Connor
7	Nia Grant	Sr.	ОН	6-2	Warren, Ohio/Howland
12	Micha Hancock	Sr.	S	5-11	Edmond, Okla./Edmond Memorial
13	Taylor Krause	So.	DS	5-6	Allentown, Pa./Parkland High
22	Simone Lee	Fr.	ОН	6-1	Menomonee Falls, Wis./Menomonee
10	Carley Muller	So.	DS	5-7	Manhattan Beach, Calif./Mira Costa
3	Kendall Pierce	Jr.	DS	5-6	Eden, N.Y./Eden
8	Lainy Pierce	Fr.	DS	5-8	Eden, N.Y./Eden
11	Nia Reed	Fr.	ОН	6-2	Fort Lee, N.J./Immaculate Heart Academy
23	Kelly Robertson	So.	MH	6-0	Allentown, Pa./Parkland High
19	Heidi Thelen	Fr.	MB	6-2	Edgewood, Ky./Notre Dame Academy
15	Haleigh Washington	Fr.	MB	6-3 (Colorado Springs, Colo./Doherty High School
21	Bryanna Weiskircher	Fr.	S	6-1	Loves Park, III./Boylan Catholic
14	Aiyana Whitney	RS-Jr.	ОН	6-4	Norwood, N.J./Northern Valley Regional

PRONUNCIATIONS

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Aiyana	I-YAH-nuh	Broerman	Bro-er-man
Micha	MIKE-uh	Nia	Nee-uh
Muller	Mew-ler	Thelen	Th-EE-len
Lacey	Lace-EE	Frantti	Fran-TEE
Lara	Lar-uh	Bryanna	Bree-yah-nuh
Dykstra	Dike-STRAH	Weiskircher	Weis-KIR-Ch-er

AROUND THE BIG TEN

BIG TEN STANDINGS

	Overall		Big Ten	
Team	Record	Pct.	Record	Pct.
PENN STATE	12-1	.923	0-0	.000
Minnesota	10-1	.909	0-0	.000
Northwestern	10-1	.909	0-0	.000
Wisconsin	9-1 .	900	0-0	.000
Purdue	10-2	.833	0-0	.000
Indiana	9-3	.750	0-0	.000
Ohio State	9-3	.750	0-0	.000
Illinois	8-3	.727	0-0	.000
Iowa	8-3	.727	0-0	.000
Nebraska	6-3	.667	0-0	.000
Maryland	7-4	.636	0-0	.000
Michigan State	7-4	.636	0-0	.000
Rutgers	7-6	.538	0-0	.000
Michigan	5-5	.500	0-0	.000

2014 PRESEASON BIG TEN POLL

1. PENN STATE

- 2. Nebraska
- 3. Wisconsin
- 4. Illinois
- 5. Purdue
- 6. Michigan State
- 7. Minnesota
- 8. Michigan
- 9. Ohio State
- 10. Northwestern
- 11. Iowa
- 12. Indiana
- 13. Maryland
- 14. Rutgers

ALL-TIME RECORDS vs. 2014 OPPONENTS

NON-CONFERENCE

<u>Ieam</u>	W-L	<u>Last</u>
TCU	1-0	PSU, 3-0 (8/29/14)
Iona	1-0	PSU, 3-0 (8/30/14)
William & Mary	11-1	PSU, 3-0 (8/30/14)
Stanford	8-8	SU, 3-2 (9/5/14)
UCLA	5-7	PSU, 3-0 (9/6/14)
American	7-0	PSU, 3-1 (9/12/14)
Villanova	14-0	PSU, 3-0 (9/12/14)
Yale	9-0	PSU, 3-0 (9/13/14)
Kansas	1-0	PSU, 3-0 (9/13/14)
EIU	4-0	PSU, 3-0 (9/19/14)
DePaul	2-0	PSU, 3-0 (9/19/14)
UIC	7-0	PSU, 3-0 (9/20/14)
ECU	2-0	PSU, 3-0 (9/20/14)
BIG TEN		

<u>Team</u>	W-L	<u>Last</u>
Wisconsin	43-7	PSU, 3-1 (12/21/13)
Minnesota	42-8	PSU, 3-0 (11/116/13)
Nebraska	9-13	PSU, 3-1 (11/30/13)
Iowa	45-0	PSU, 3-0 (10/26/13)
Northwestern	46-8	PSU, 3-1 (11/22/13)
Illinois	41-9	PSU, 3-1 (11/23/11)
Purdue	50-6	PSU, 3-0 (11/8/13)
Indiana	47-1	PSU, 3-0 (11/9/13)
Michigan	44-3	PSU, 3-1 (11/1/13)
Michigan St.	39-7	PSU, 3-1 (12/13/13)
Ohio St.	42-14	PSU, 3-0 (11/27/13)
Rutgers	25-9	PSU, 3-0 (9/17/11)
Maryland	18-5	PSU, 3-0 (12/4/04)

THAT'S SOME HEAVY HITTING

Senior setter Micha Hancock has paced the Nittany Lions to a .395 overall hitting percentage in 2014, which ranks first in the Big Ten and leads the nation. Hancock's also paced four Nittany Lion hitters to .358 or better hitting efficiency. Individually, senior Nia Grant's .525 hitting clip ranks second in the nation, while also coming in at first in the conference. Redshirt junior Aiyana Whitney, junior Megan Courtney and freshman Ali Frantti are all hitting .358 or better, led by Whitney's .429 efficiency.

HANCOCK HIGHLIGHTS VILLANOVA CLASSIC TOURNAMENT SQUAD

Penn State dominated the Villanova Classic All-Tournament team as senior Micha Hancock highlighted a trio of honorees with MVP honors. Senior Nia Grant and redshirt junior Aiyana Whitney each earned All-Tournament team laurels. Hancock led the way from the service line, notching 21 aces on the weekend, while Grant powered the Penn State offense with a team-high .618 hitting percentage during the undefeated road test. Whitney highlighted the weekend with a season-high 13 kills and a career-high six blocks vs. No. 24 Kansas (9/13).

DUO NAMED BIG TEN/PAC-12 CHALLENGE ALL-TOURNAMENT

Senior Dominique Gonzalez and freshman Ali Frantti earned Big Ten/Pac-12 Challenge All-Tournament team honors. Gonzalez highlighted the weekend with her fourth career 20+ dig match against the Cardinal, while Frantti logged her first career double-double with 22 kills and 11 digs.

TRIO EARNS PENN STATE CLASSIC ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM HONORS

Following back-to-back double-digit kill performances in her first two collegiate matches, freshman Ali Frantti earned Penn State Classic Most Outstanding Player honors. Senior Micha Hancock and junior Megan Courtney each earned spots on the All-Tournament team for their performances during an undefeated opening weekend at home.

Hancock directed the Nittany Lions to a conference-high .436 hitting clip during the week, while also pacing Frantti (.482) and Courtney (.500) to a pair of Big Ten top-five hitting clips. Hancock's 11.33 assists per set ranks third in the league.

PENN STATE TABBED BIG TEN PRESEASON FAVORITE

Penn State earned the No. 1 ranking in the 2014 Big Ten Preseason Coaches' Poll, which is decided by the league's 14 head coaches. The top-ranking marks the ninth time in the last 10 years that the 16-time defending Big Ten champion Nittany Lions have been voted No. 1 the preseason standings.

PRESEASON ALL-BIG TEN NITTANY LIONS

PSU is well represented on the All-Big Ten Preseason Team, with more honorees than any other conference team in the league for the second consecutive year. Senior setter Micha Hancock highlights a trio of 2014 honorees as a unanimous selection. She's joined by senior middle Nia Grant and junior outside Megan Courtney. The nod is the second consecutive for both Hancock and Courtney and the first career for Grant.

ROSE TOPS THE NCAA DI ALL-TIME WINS LIST

Following four wins this weekend, Rose earned victory numb er 1,137 to pass current Hawaii head coach Dave Shoji (1,136) for first on the NCAA DI all-time list. Since the two are still actively coaching, they'll go back and forth for the top spot this season. Rose currently owns the all-time record for NCAA DI career winning percentage, having posted a career clip of .864 in the past 35 seasons. The two are also one of just three active NCAA head coaches in all three divisions to have more than 1,100 career wins.

In 2013, head coach Russ Rose earned his 1,107th victory with a straight-set win at Northwestern, moving him into sole possession of second place on the NCAA DI career wins list. With the triumph, he passed former UCLA head coach Andy Banachowski, who previously owned the record.

THE BEST SERVE IN THE NATION

Hancock's 22 aces across four matches last weekend marked the second consecutive week that she's registered at least 21 aces. Presently averaging 1.17 aces per frame, her mark leads the nation and also ranks first in the conference.

Averaging 0.65 aces per set in 2013, Micha Hancock finished last year ranked second nationally in aces per set. Her final tally also ranked first in the Big Ten. The impressive serving also set a new program record. With four aces against Eastern Kentucky, Hancock notched her 200th career service ace. Building on the mark throughout the season she moved into sole possession of first place on the Penn State all-time list with 254 aces on the year to surpass Ellen Hensler, who set the record in 1986. With 49 aces in 2014, Hancock has improved her mark to 303 aces all-time to keep a firm hold on her all-time record.

AVCA TOP 25 COACHES' POLL

Poll #5 • Sept. 22, 2014

NO.	SCHOOL	PTS.	REC.	<u>PW</u>
1	Stanford (53)	1492	10-0	1
2	Texas (6)	1419	8-0	2
3	PENN STATE	1376	12-1	3
4	Washington (1)	1336	11-0	5
5	Wisconsin	1253	9-1	4
6	Florida State	1222	11-0	6
7	Colorado State	1094	12-1	8
8	Nebraska	982	6-3	9
9	USC	925	7-3	10
10	Florida	909	6-3	7
11	BYU	897	9-2	12
12	North Carolina	876	9-1	13
13	Oregon	860	9-0	14
14	Kentucky	663	10-2	15
15	Purdue	628	10-2	11
16	Illinois	559	8-3	16
17	Minnesota	536	10-1	17
18	Arizona	467	11-1	20
19	Arizona State	405	10-2	18
20	UCLA	343	9-2	22
21	Loyola Marymount	323	12-0	23
22	Texas A&M	286	7-3	21
23	Kansas	175	12-2	24
24	San Diego	144	7-5	19
25	Hawai'i	61	8-3	26
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RECEIVING VOTES: Duke 53; Kansas State 48; Marquette 42; Appalachian State 26; *Michigan State* 26; *Northwestern* 16; SMU 15; Iowa State 14; Wyoming 7; Oklahoma 4; Saint Louis 4; CSUN 2;

PENN STATE PRESENCE IN THE COACHES' POLL

Aug. 11: #1 (preseason)

Sept. 1: #1

Sept. 8: #3

Sept. 15: #3

Sept. 22: #3

2014 HONORS & ACCOLADES

ALI FRANTTI

- Big Ten Freshman of the Week (9/1, 9/8)
- · Penn State Classic Most Outstanding Player
- Big Ten/Pac-12 Challenge All-Tournament Team

MEGAN COURTNEY

- Preseason All-Big Ten
- Penn State Classic All-Tournament team

MICHA HANCOCK

- Preseason All-Big Ten
- Big Ten Setter of the Week (9/15, 9/22)
- Penn State Classic All-Tournament Team
- Villanova Classic Most Outstanding Player

NIA GRANT

- Preseason All-Big Ten
- Big Ten Player of the Week (9/15)
- Villanova Classic All-Tournament Team

DOMINIQUE GONZALEZ

- Big Ten/Pac-12 Challenge All-Tournament Team
- PSU Alumni Classic All-Tournament Team

AIYANA WHITNEY

- Villanova Classic All-Tournament Team
- PSU Alumni Classic Most Outstanding Player

HANCOCK EARNS SECOND STRAIGHT B1G SETTER OF THE WEEK HONOR

Following and undefeated weekend at home, senior Micha Hancock earned her second consecutive Big Ten Setter of the Week honor. Hancock shares her 13th career Setter of the Week award this week with Wisconsin's Lauren Carlini.

Hancock directed the Nittany Lion offense to a .490 overall team hitting percentage over the weekend as Penn State picked up wins against Eastern Illinois, DePaul, UIC and East Carolina to earn the Penn State Alumni Classic title. Totaling at least 21 aces for the second straight week, Hancock highlighted the weekend with two or more aces in every match this weekend. Averaging 1.83 aces per set with 22 aces on the week, she matched a season-high mark with eight aces against both DePaul and East Carolina.

WHITNEY. GONZALEZ NAB PSU ALUMNI CLASSIC ALL-TOURNEY HONORS

Redshirt junior Aiyana Whitney and senior Dominique Gonzalez earned Penn State Alumni Classic all-tournament honors this weekend. Whitney was selected as the most outstanding player while Gonzalez earned a spot on the all-tournament team.

Whitney posted a team-high .600 hitting clip during the undefeated weekend, registering a career-high two aces against DePaul and a squad-best 13 kills on 18 errorless swings against UIC. Gonzalez continued her steady play from the backrow, averaging a team-high 2.50 digs per set across four matches. She highlighted the weekend with 10 digs against UIC.

GRANT. HANCOCK EARN BIG TEN WEEKLY HONORS

After helping PSU claim the Villanova Classic title, senior Nia Grant was selected as the Big Ten Player of the Week, while senior Micha Hancock was tabbed Setter of the Week.

Grant powered the Penn State offense with a team-high .618 hitting percentage during the undefeated weekend on the road. She posted double-digit kills in three-of-four matches, recording errorless hitting performances in back-to-back matches against Villanova and Yale. In addition to Villanova Classic All Tournament team honors, Grant also set a career-high mark with an .846 hitting efficiency against the Bulldogs.

Hancock directed the Nittany Lions to a .351 team hitting clip during the week, averaging 11.60 assists per set. On her way to Villanova Classic Most Outstanding Player honors, she logged 21 service aces in the tournament, highlighting the event with a season-high eight aces against American. Averaging 1.62 aces per set for the week, she also tallied six aces against both Villanova and Kansas.

MORE BIG TEN WEEKLY HONORS FOR FRANTTI

Following a weekend of team-high performances in Palo Alto, Calif., freshman Ali Frantti was tabbed the Big Ten's Freshman of the Week for the second consecutive week. She opened the weekend with her first collegiate double-double against then-No. 2 Stanford, posting a matchhigh 22 kills on .405 hitting, adding 11 digs and two blocks. The next evening, she returned to the court to lead the offense with her fourth double-digit kill performance of the season, putting down 14 kills on .619 hitting, adding five digs in a straight set victory against UCLA.

WEEK 5: AVCA TOP 25 COACHES POLL UPDATE

Following a 4-0 weekend at home, Penn State remained No. 3 in the latest AVCA Top 25 Coaches Poll for the third consecutive week. Prior to the No. 3 positioning, PSU spent two consecutive weeks ranked No. 1 overall.

BUST OUT THE BROOMS

Penn State has earned 11 of its 12 (92%) victories this season in straight sets. Within those 11 sweeps, PSU has held five teams (lona, William & Mary, Eastern Illinois, DePaul, East Carolina) to less than 40 total points scored in a single match. Last season, the Nittany Lions earned 23 of their 34 victories in 3-0 sweeps.

NITTANY LIONS ON TV

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, ESPN and Pac-12 networks. All other matches will be streamed live on GoPSUsports.com via All-Access or on BigTenNetwork.com.

REMAINING PENN STATE WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL TV MATCH SCHEDULE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Network</u>
Sept. 24	at Wisconsin	BTN - live
Sept. 27	at Minnesota	ESPN 3 (ESPN2 at 1 p.m. 9/28)
Oct. 3	at Nebraska	BTN - live
Oct. 8	vs. Northwestern	BTN - live
Oct. 17	at Purdue	BTN - live
Oct. 24	vs. Michigan	BTN - live
Oct. 28	vs. Ohio State	BTN - live
Oct. 29	vs. Nebraska	BTN - live

^{*2014} opponents in italics

RICHKERN.COM TOP 30

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<u>NO.</u>	SCH00L	POINTS			
1	Stanford	660			
2	PENN STATE	628			
3	Texas	621			
4	Washington	597			
5	Wisconsin	570			
6	Florida State	554			
7	Colorado State	510			
8	Nebraska	487			
9	BYU	481			
10	Oregon	444			
11	Florida	439			
12	USC	412			
13	North Carolina	408			
14	Purdue	340			
15	Kentucky	332			
16	Illinois	308			
17	Arizona	303			
18	Minnesota	266			
19	Arizona State	265			
20	UCLA	240			
21	Texas A&M	226			
22	Loyola Marymount	214			
23	San Diego	206			
24	Hawaii	136			
25	Northwestern	123			
26	Duke	93			
27	Marquette	78			
28	Kansas	68			
29	Iowa State	67			
30	Michigan State	39			
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Receiving Votes: Oregon State, Utah, Cal State Northridge, Kansas State, Oklahoma, Appalachian State. Louisville

PENN STATE'S RECORD WHEN ...

Playing at home	7-0
Playing on the road	1-1
Playing at a neutral site	4-0
Current winning streak	W9
Big Ten matches	0-0
Non-conference matches	12-1
In three-set matches	11-0
In four-set matches	1-0
In five-set matches	0-1
Hitting .300 +	11-0
Hitting .200299	1-1
Out-hitting a team	12-1
Out-hit by a team	0-0
Playing a ranked team	1-1
Playing an unranked team	11-0
On TV	0-1
In August	3-0
In September	9-1
In October	0-0
In November	0-0

NITTANY LIONS MONTH - BY- MONTH

Penn State is 40-5 (.889) all-time during the month of August, after notching a trio of victories against TCU, Iona and William & Mary last weekend. The Nittany Lions' first two losses came during the inaugural NACWAA in 1995 when Nebraska swept PSU, and in the 1999 NACWAA when Florida outlasted Penn State, 3-2, in the opening round. The Nittany Lions have not dropped a season opening match since losing to Oregon in 2011.

Penn State is 367-57-4 (.866) all-time during the month of September. The Lions are 192-18 (.914) during September dating back to the 1995 season and 50-9 (.847) within the last six

PSU is 386-67 (.852) all-time during the month of October. Penn State has posted an 86-11 (.887) mark in October across the last 10 seasons, and a record of 50 -3 (.943) in the last five years and did not lose a match during the month from 2007 to 2010.

Penn State is 285-57 (.833) all-time during the month of November, including a 87-8 (.916) mark across the last 10 seasons. The Nittany Lions posted a six-year streak from 1995-2000 where they did not lose a match in the month, and in the last five seasons, Penn State has a 45-3 (.938) mark in November.

In 2013, the Nittany posted unblemished records in three months, going 2-0 in August, 8-0 in October and 10-0 in November. Despite registering an 8-2 mark in the month of September, Penn State has lost a match since dropping a close five-setter to Michigan State on Sept. 27th.

From Oct. 16, 1996 to Nov. 9, 2001, Penn State won 139 consecutive matches when taking a 2-0 lead. Since joining the Big Ten in 1991, Penn State has played in 780 total matches, winning 723. Across the last seven years, Penn State has earned 163 of its 213 victories in three sets (77%), including 37-of-38 (98%) in 2008 and 32-of-38 in 2009 (84%).

In the last 15 years, the Lions have only lost 59 matches. And of those 22 teams that defeated the Lions - BYU, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Long Beach State, Michigan, Michigan State, Minnesota, Nebraska, Northwestern, Ohio State, Oregon, Oregon State, Purdue, USC, Stanford, Temple, Tennessee, Texas, UCLA, Washington and Wisconsin - only nine of these teams (Nebraska, Stanford, Ohio State, Illinois, Wisconsin, UCLA, Minnesota, Michigan State and Florida) have been able to beat Penn State a third time. The Lions have compiled a 278-57 mark in the last 15 years versus these teams.

vs. Michigan	28-2	vs. Stanford	5-6
vs. Northwestern	28-2	vs. MSU	26-3
vs. Wisconsin	25-6	vs. Ohio State	25-5
vs. Florida	4-3	vs. UCLA	4-3
vs. Nebraska	5-4	vs. Minnesota	26-6
vs. LBSU	0-1	vs. USC	2-1
vs. Illinois	26-5	vs. Temple	2-1
vs. BYU	3-1	vs. Tennessee	0-1
vs. Purdue	31-1	vs. Indiana	30-1
vs. Washington	0-1	vs. Texas	9-2
		vs. Oregon	0-2
		vs. Oregon State	0-1

PENN STATE BY THE NUMBERS

- 5 Number of NCAA national championships PSU has won in the last seven years 6 Number of total NCAA national championships (1999, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2013) » Penn State's six national titles ties Stanford for the most in history
- 16 Number of Big Ten titles in 23 seasons in the league
 - » Penn State has captured Big Ten championships in nine of the last 10 years.
- 21 Number of all-time conference player of the year selections
- 33 Number of NCAA Tournaments PSU has participated in, one of two to play in all 33
- 37 Number of consecutive 20-win seasons
- 38 Seasons of Penn State women's volleyball, which started in 1976 under Tom Tait
- 65 Longest Big Ten winning streak recorded by Penn State from 11/11/06 to 9/24/10
- 80 Number of polls in which Penn State was ranked No. 1
- 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
- 159 Number of Academic All-Big Ten honorees in 21 years
- 1,137 Number of wins by head coach Russ Rose in his 36th season at the helm of the program
 - » Rose is presently atop the NCAA DI all-time wins list, with one more victory than current Hawaii head coach Dave Shoji.

CAREER COUNTDOWN!

MILESTONE	<u>NAME</u>	# TO GO
200 kills	Aiyana Whitney	62
500 kills	Micha Hancock	88
700 kills	Nia Grant	36
	Megan Courtney	51

DIGS

<u>MILESTONE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	# TO GO
100 digs	Aiyana Whitney	64
200 digs	Nia Grant	50
500 digs	Lacey Fuller	69
1,000 digs	Micha Hancock	57
	Megan Courtney	382
1,500 digs	Dominique Gonzalez	364

ASSISTS

<u>MILESTONE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u># TO GO</u>
5,000 assists	Micah Hancock	422

BLOCKS

MILESTONE	<u>NAME</u>	# TO GO
100 blocks	Aiyana Whitney	58
300 blocks	Micha Hancock	71
	Megan Courtney	85
400 blocks	Nia Grant	40

CAREER RECORD BOOK WATCH

ASSISTS

7.	4,578	Micha Hancock, 2011-Pres.
6.	4,774	Ellen Hensler, 1983-86
5.	5,455	Salima Davidson, 1991-94
4.	5,800	Alisha Glass, 2006-09
3.	5,911	Bonnie Bremner, 1996-99
2.	6,087	Sam Tortorello, 2002-05
1.	6,596	Michelle Jaworski, 1987-90
#	RECORD	NAME

ACES

AULS	•	
#	RECORD	NAME
1.	303	Micha Hancock, 2011-Pres.
2.	235	Ellen Hensler, 1983-86
3.	183	Vida Kernich, 1983-86
4.	175	Lori Barberich, 1981-84
5.	163	Michelle Jaworski, 1987-90
6.	155	Noelle Zientara, 1987-90
7.	151	Elizabeth Ramirez, 1986-89
8.	146	Alyssa D'Errico, 2007-10
9.	134	Roberta Holehouse, 2005-08
10.	127	Nicole Fawcett, 2005-08
11.	126	Zeynep Ton, 1992-95
12.	118	Sam Tortorello, 2002-05
13.	107	Jennifer Schuller, 1988-91
		Megan Hodge, 2006-09
15.	105	Kim Kumfer, 1989-92

FORCE OF THE FROSH

Six freshman have made their collegiate debuts for Penn State in the last three weeks, including Ali Frantti, Heidi Thelen, Simone Lee, Lainy Pierce, Haleigh Washington and Skylar Dykstra.

All ranked within PrepVolleyball.com's top 10, Frantti, Lee and Washington are already making solid contributions this season. Averaging 3.44 kills per set on .358 hitting, Frantti has played every match for the Nittany Lions this season. Lee ranks fifth on the squad with 78 kills on the year, averaging 2.23 per set on .297 hitting. Despite missing the first two weeks of the season, Washington's averaging 3.12 kills per set on .537 hitting, having played in eight sets.

Frantti's highlight of the season came with a double-double performance at then-No. 2 Stanford with 22 kills and 11 digs. Lee capped off a productive weekend in Palo Alto, Calif. as well with her second double-digit kill performance of the season with 11 kills against UCLA. Pierce saw time on the court during key points of the match against the Cardinal, tallying her first collegiate ace. Washington made her rookie debut in the Villanova Classic, finishing third on the team with six kills on .545 hitting against Yale, while also adding a solo stuff. In four matches, Washington's averaging 3.17 kills per set on .533 hitting with just three errors on the year.

HANCOCK NOMINATED FOR 2014 ESPY AWARD

Penn State's Micha Hancock was one of two PSU student-athletes to be nominated for a 2014 ESPY Award, presented by ESPN. Hancock was nominated for Best Female Collegiate Athlete. Hancock's nomination marks the third time a PSU women's volleyball student-athlete has been up for an ESPY. Megan Hodge earned a nomination in 2010, following the '09 season, while Blair Brown was selected in 2011 following the '10 season.

I SCREAM, YOU SCREAM, ICE CREAM!

Earlier this summer Penn State's renowned Berkey Creamery unveiled a new "hall of fame" ice cream flavor named after legendary Nittany Lion women's volleyball head coach, Russ Rose. For the first time in more than 20 years, the flavor, Russ "digs" Roseberry, joins the creamery's lineup of "hall of fame" permanent flavors. The ice cream variety is made with black raspberry puree, red raspberry sauce and pure Wilbur's chocolate in a strawberry base.

NITTANY LIONS EARN TOP RANKING IN AVCA PRESEASON POLL

Penn State women's volleyball earned the No. 1 overall ranking in the 2014 AVCA Preseason Coaches' Poll. This year's poll features more Big Ten teams than any other conference, with the Nittany Lions among seven other leauge teams to be ranked within the top 25 and one of four to be within the top 10. Since 2004, Penn State has been ranked within the top five in every AVCA preseason poll, having earned a top-ranking five times (2008-11 & 2014).

Earning 32 of a possible 60 first-place votes, PSU claimed the top spot ahead of No. 2 Texas, No. 3 Stanford, No. 4 Washington and No. 5 USC. The Big Ten is also well represented in the lower half of the top 10 rankings with Wisconsin, Nebraska and Purdue in spots six through eight, consecutively. BYU and Florida rounded out the last spots at No. 9 and No. 10.

NEW YEAR, NEW STAFF

Fresh faces on the court are not the only new additions this year, as a new staff joins Rose for the 2014 season. Following the departure of five-year assistant coach Kaleena Davidson, Stevie Mussie joins Penn State as an assistant coach after serving as in the same role at the University of Virginia. Penn State women's volleyball gained more momentum shortly after Mussie's hiring as former All-American and Nittany Lion assistant coach Salima Rockwell rejoined the staff as associate head coach after spending the past five seasons at Texas.

PACKING REC HALL ONCE AGAIN

Penn State was among the national leaders in attendance in 2013, ranking sixth in the country with an average of 2,952 fans per match on the year behind Nebraska, Hawaii, Missouri, Minnesota and Wisconsin. (Figures provided by the NCAA.)

	SCHOOL	TOTAL ATTEN.	AVG. ATTEN.	HOME DATES		SCHOOL	TOTAL ATTEN.	AVG. ATTEN.	HOME DATES
1.	Nebraska	155,324	8,175	19	11.	Michigan St.	43,368	2,891	15
2.	Hawaii	144,235	7,591	19	12.	UNI	42,470	3,267	13
3.	Missouri	62,717	3,301	19	13.	Purdue	40,510	2,532	16
4.	Minnesota	59,130	3,942	15	14.	Washington	40,174	2,678	15
5.	Wisconsin	52,685	3,512	15	15.	Wichita St.	38,657	2,577	15
6.	PENN STATE	50,187	2,952	17	16.	UNC	34,856	2,324	15
7.	Illinois	49,871	3,117	16	17.	Duke	29,723	1,748	17
8.	Colorado St.	49,240	3,283	15	18.	lowa St.	29,703	2,700	11
9.	Texas	49,137	3,780	13	19.	Stanford	28,925	1,928	15
10.	Florida	45,843	2,547	18	20.	Ohio St.	26,816	2,063	13

SCOUTING THE BADGERS

PENN STATE VS. WISCONSIN

Series: Penn State leads, 43-7

Last Five

Date	Site	Result
12/21/13	N	PSU, 3-1 (25-19, 26-24, 20-25, 25-23)
11/15/13	Α	PSU, 3-0 (25-23, 27-25, 25-16)
10/12/13	Н	PSU, 3-0 (25-22, 25-17, 25-21)
11/04/12	Н	PSU, 3-0 (25-20, 25-15, 25-22)
9/28/12	Α	PSU, 3-0 (25-19, 25-21, 25-7)

By the Numbers

at PSU	Penn State leads, 23-1
at WIS	Penn State leads, 17-6
at neutral sites	Penn State leads, 3-0

Tale of the Tape

<u>PSU</u>	<u>Stat</u>	<u>WIS</u>
12-1	Record	9-1
	K/S	
	Hitting %	
	A/S	
	D/S	
	B/S	
	SA/S	

KEY MATCHES FROM THE SERIES

Dec. 21, 2013 - NCAA national finals PSU 3, WIS 1 - Seattle, Wash. - Key Arena

Penn State captured its sixth NCAA national championship in program history in the first-ever all Big Ten NCAA national title match. Leading the match 2-1, a clutch serving performance from Micha Hancock propelled the Nittany Lions to a 25-23 win in the fourth frame to secure the win.

Trailing by three, 22-19, in set four, PSU rallied with a 4-1 run featuring two aces from Hancock to knot the frame, 23-23. Penn State followed with another ace from Hancock and a kill from four-time senior All-American Deja McClendon to lock up a 25-23 win in the set for the victory.

Nov. 15, 2013 - (25-23, 27-25, 25-16) PSU 3, WIS 0 - Madison, Wis. - UW Fieldhouse

Megan Courtney led then-No. 2 Penn State to a straight-set victory with her fourth double-double of the 2013 season the last time that the Nittany Lions and the Badgers squared off in Madison. Courtney put down 15 kills and 11 digs in the win, while Micha Hancock also notched a double-double with 32 assists and 12 digs.

After capturing a 25-23 win in set one, Penn State and Wisconsin battled back and forth throughout the entire second set.

With the Badgers looking to even the match, 24-23, Katie Slay and Nia Grant put down a pair of back-to-back kills to lift Penn State to set point, 25-24. A PSU attack error halted the attempt, but a Wisconsin attack error following a kill from Ariel Scott secured a 27-25 win. PSU put away a 25-16 win in set three to complete the sweep.

Nov. 6, 2011 - (24-26, 19-25, 34-32, 25-14, 12-15) WIS 3, PSU 2 - Madison, Wis. - UW Fieldhouse

The Nittany Lions have won the last five consecutive matchups vs. the Badgers since falling short in a 3-2 decision in 2011. Hancock dished out 60 assists and 13 digs, while Grant tallied six blocks.

WHO'S BACK

Two-time first team AVCA All-American Micha Hancock leads a solid group of four starters from last year's NCAA national championship squad. Hancock directed the Nittany Lion offense to a .305 hitting clip in 2013, which concluded the season ranked fifth nationally.

AVCA Honorable Mention All-America Nia Grant and starting outside Megan Courtney are two of Hancock's top attackers who return to the court. Having ranked within the top of the Big Ten and national standings throughout the season, Grant's .350 hitting clip closed out the year ranked second best on the team and fifth in the final conference standings. Courtney, who picked up 2014 Preseason All-Big Ten honors, finished the year with 297 kills, averaging 2.47 per set on .272 hitting. Her 2.51 digs per frame and 0.73 blocks per set ranked third on the squad.

Defensively, the Nittany Lions also return two-year starting libero Dominique Gonzalez, who has proved to be a steady leader in the back row. Averaging 3.28 digs per set in 2014, she amassed 416 digs on the year, posting double-digit digs in 23-of-36 matches in 2013.

EXPERIENCED SENIOR CORE

Comprised of four, this year's senior class features Lacey Fuller, Dominique Gonzalez, Nia Grant and Micha Hancock. Together, the four have a combined record of 92-13 (.876), and a 54-6 mark in Big Ten matches. Along with back-to-back Big Ten titles in 2012 and 2013, the veteran class holds a 12-2 (.857) mark in post season play, with two consecutive NCAA national semifinal appearances in 2012-13 as well as the 2013 NCAA national title.

SPOTS TO FILL

Penn State has entered the 2014 season without a trio of standout student-athletes who were instrumental in the Nittany Lions' fifth national crown in the last seven years. 2013 Graduating seniors Deja McClendon, Katie Slay and Ariel Scott combined for 10 AVCA All-America honors during their four-year careers on the court, guiding both the 2010 and 2013 teams to a pair of NCAA national titles.

McClendon highlighted the 2013 All-America class as the only player to be honored as a four-time All-American. A true multi-faceted student-athlete, The Nittany Lions will have to replace McClendon's ability to pass, block, defend and attack. PSU will also need to replace Scott, a three-time AVCA All-American opposite who consistently served as the Nittany Lions' go-to hitter. Defensively, Slay departs Penn State as one of the most prolific blockers in program history, having earned three consecutive All-America honors to go along with her 627 career blocks, which ranks sixth all-time.

FRESHMAN INFLUENCE

Regarded by PrepVolleyball.com as "a class that rivals the best ever," Penn State's incoming freshman class features eight newcomers who will all be competing for spots on the court in 2014. Along with four state Gatorade Player of the Year honorees, five Nittany Lion newcomers were ranked within PrepVolleyball's top 15 in the nation, while three ranked among the top three.

Skylar Dykstra » Transferred from UCLA after redshirtting her freshman indoor season.

Ali Frantti » Ranked PrepVolleyball's No. 2 recruit in the nation ... 2013-14 Under Armour First Team All-America ... Helped club team (Fusion) to back-to-back AAU titles, collecting MVP honors in 202 ... Led Richmond Burton (HS) to 2013 Illinois state title ... Illinois Gatorade Player of the Year.

Simone Lee » Ranked PrepVolleyball's No. 8 recruit in the nation ... Played on the same club team as Frantti (Fusion) ... 2013-14 Under Armour First Team All-America ... Guided Menomonee (HS) to Wisconsin state title in 2013 ... Wisconsin Gatorade Player of the Year.

Lainy Pierce » Led Eden (HS) to New York state title in 2013.

Nia Reed » Ranked PrepVolleyball's No. 12 recruit in the nation ... Helped Immaculate Heart (HS) to four straight non-public state titles ... 2013-14 Under Armour First Team All-America ... New Jersey Gatorade Player of the Year from 2011-13.

Heidi Thelen » Ranked PrepVolleyball's No. 61 recruit in the nation ... 2013-14 Under Armour Honorable Mention All-America.

Haleigh Washington » Ranked PrepVolleyball's No. 1 recruit in the nation ... 2013-14 Under Armour First Team All-America ... Two-time Colorado Gatorade Player of the Year (2012-13) ... Led Doherty (HS) to 2012 Colorado state title ... 2013 VB Magazine Player of the Year.

Bryanna Weiskircher » Ranked PrepVolleyball's No. 13 recruit in the nation ... Played on the same club team as Frantti and Lee (Fusion) as the starting setter ... 2013-14 Under Armour First Team All-America.

RUSS ROSE AT A GLANCE ...

- 2007 AVCA Hall of Fame Inductee
- 2005 USA Volleyball All-Time Great Coach Honoree
- 2000 US Olympic Committee Coach of the Year
- Five-time AVCA Coach of the Year 1997, 1999, 2007, 2008, 2013
- Six-time AVCA Mideast Region Coach of the Year 1996, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2012
- Three-time Volleyball Monthly Coach of the Year 1990, 1993, 1999
- · Seven-time Mideast Region Coach of the Year 1990, 1992, 1993, 1994, 2007, 2008, 2012
- 14-time Big Ten Conference Coach of the Year 1992, 1993, 1996, 1997 (co), 1998, 2003 (co), 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2013
- 1996 District II Coach of the Year
- Six-Time Atlantic 10 Coach of the Year
- · Five-time Northeast Region Coach of the Year
- · National Jewish Sports Hall of Fame
- 2010 USAV Leader in Volleyball

BY THE NUMBERS ...

1999, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 & 2013

NCAA National Championships

All-Time Winning Percentage (.864) among active DI coaches

1.137

Career wins in 36 seasons, the highest win total ever for a Penn State head coach

Number of active coaches in NCAA Division I history with 1.000 career wins

Straight NCAA Tournament appearances

16

Big Ten titles in 23 years

Consecutive Atlantic 10 titles

Academic All-Big Ten selections in 23 years

Conference Players of the Year in last 28 years

At least 1 All-American in 34-of-35 seasons

DOUBLE-DOUBLE TRACKER

MICHA HANCOCK (28 CAREER)

- at Stanford, 9/5/14 (57 assists, 13 digs)
 vs. Eastern Illinois, 9/19/14 (30 assists, 10 digs)

ALI FRANTTI (1 CAREER)

• at Stanford, 9/5/14 (22 kills, 11 digs)

THE LAST TIME A NITTANY LION ...

Had 30 or more kills	31 - Nicole Fawcett vs. Cal Poly (8/31/07)
Had 10 or more blocks	
Had five or more aces	8 - Micha Hancock vs. East Carolina (9/20/14)
Had 25 or more digs	35 - Alyssa D'Errico at Minnesota (11/27/10)
Had 80 or more assists	
Hit .800 or better (min. 12 kills)	929 (13-0-14) A. Wilson vs. St. Francis (9/19/09)

THE LAST TIME PENN STATE ...

VS. NON-CONFERENCE OPPONENTS (REGULAR-SEASON MATCHES)

Won a match	vs. East Carolina, 9/20/14 (25-11, 25-17, 25-10)
Lost a match	at Stanford, 9/5/14 (25-18, 23-25, 22-25, 25-16, 10-15)
Won at home	vs. East Carolina, 9/20/14 (25-11, 25-17, 25-10)
Lost at home	vs. Oregon, 8/26/11 (25-16, 25-21, 25-20, 25-22)
Won 3-0 at home	vs. East Carolina, 9/20/14 (25-11, 25-17, 25-10)
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. Kansas, 9/13/13 (25-10, 27-25, 25-23)
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	at Nebraska, 11/30/13 (22-25, 25-23, 26-24, 26-24)
Lost a matchvs.	. Michigan State, 9/27/13 (23-25, 24-26, 25-19, 25-19, 9-15)
Won at home	vs. Illinois, 11/23/13 (25-20, 25-17, 23-25, 25-16)
Lost at homevs.	. Michigan State, 9/27/13 (23-25, 24-26, 25-19, 25-19, 9-15)
Won 3-0 at home	vs. Indiana, 11/9/13 (25-16, 25-11, 25-11)
Lost 3-0 at home	vs. Minnesota, 10/18/03 (26-30, 18-30, 21-30)
Won 3-0 on the road	vs. Ohio State, 11/27/13 (25-12, 25-14, 25-8)
Lost 3-0 on the road	at Illinois, 11/11/11 (21-25, 23-25, 26-28)

ALL MATCHES

Won a match	vs. East Carolina, 9/20/14 (25-11, 25-17, 25-10)
Lost a match	at Stanford, 9/5/14 (25-18, 23-25, 22-25, 25-16, 10-15)
Won at home	vs. East Carolina, 9/20/14 (25-11, 25-17, 25-10)
Lost at home	vs. Michigan State, 9/27/13 (23-25, 24-26, 25-19, 25-19, 9-15)
Won 3-0 at home	vs. East Carolina, 9/20/14 (25-11, 25-17, 25-10)
Lost 3-0 at home	vs. Minnesota, 10/18/03 (26-30, 18-30, 21-30)
Won 3-0 on the road	vs. Kansas, 9/13/13 (25-10, 27-25, 25-23)
Lost 3-0 on the road	at Illinois, 11/11/11 (21-25, 23-25, 26-28)

STREAKING!

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 BIG TEN 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)

2014 PENN STATE SUPERLATIVES

	INDIVIDUAL	
	14 - Ali Frantti vs. UCLA (9/6)	
	26 - Ali Frantti vs. Villanova (9/12)	
	846 (11-0-13) - Nia Grant vs. Yale (9/13)	
	19 - Dominique Gonzalez vs. Yale (9/13)	
	1, 8 x last - Haleigh Washington & Ali Frantti vs. East Carolina (9/20)	
	6 - Aiyana Whitney vs. Kansas (9/13)	
	7 - Nia Grant vs. UCLA (9/6)	
TOTAL DIOCKS	7 - Nia Grafit VS. OOLA (9/0)	19 - VS. UCLA (9/0)
FOUR SETS	INDIVIDUAL	TEAM
Kills:	12 - Ali Frantti vs. American (9/12)	49 - vs. American (9/12)
Attacks:	39 - Ali Frantti vs. American (9/12)	119 - vs. American (9/12)
Attack Percentage*:	571 (10-2-14) - Nia Grant vs. American (9/12)	269 (49-17-119) - vs. American (9/12)
	35 - Micha Hancock vs. American (9/12)	
	8 - Micha Hancock vs. American (9/12)	
	21 - Dominique Gonzalez vs. American (9/12)	
	1 - Nia Grant & Simone Lee vs. American (9/12)	
	5 - Aiyana Whitney vs. American (9/12)	
Total Blocks:	5 - Nia Grant & Aiyana Whitney vs. American (9/12)	11 - vs. American (9/12)
EIVE CETC	INDIVIDUAL	TEARA
	22 - Ali Frantti at Stanford (9/5)	
Attack Percentage*:	43 - Megan Courtney at Stanford (9/5)405 (22-5-42) - Ali Frantti at Stanford (9/5)	2/2 (71 20 172) at Stanford (9/5)
Acciete:	405 (22-5-42) - All Frankli at Stanford (9/5)	60 at Stanford (9/5)
	1 - M. Hancock, M. Courtney, D. Gonzalez, K. Pierce at Stanford (9/5)	
	20 - Dominique Gonzalez at Stanford (9/5)	
	1 - Simone Lee & Ali Frantti at Stanford (9/5)	
	5 - Megan Courtney at Stanford (9/5)	
Total Blocks:	5 - Megan Courtney at Stanford (9/5)	14 - at Stanford (9/5)
Total Blooks	Megan odurtney at otamora (3/3)	at otamora (5/ 5)
2014 OPPONENT S	UPERLATIVES	
TUDEE CETC	INDIVIDUAL	TEANA
	20 - Karsta Lowe, UCLA (9/6)	
	42 - Karsta Lowe, UCLA (9/6)	
	560 (14-0-25) - Stephenee Yancy, UIC (9/20)	
	34 - Julie Consani, UCLA (9/6)	
	2 - Madison Rigdon, Kansas (9/13)	
Dige:	14 - Stephanie Wallace, Eastern Illinois (9/19)	36 - Vale (9/13)
	1, 3x last - Jasmine King, DePaul (9/19)	
	4, 2x last - Sydney Darden, East Carolina (9/20)	
	4, 2x last - Sydney Darden, East Carolina (9/20)	
	, 2. 1351	
	INDIVIDUAL	
Kills:	9 - Sarah Katz, American (9/12)	33 - American (9/12)
Attacks:	30 - Sarah Katz, American (9/12)	114 - American (9/12)
	500 (1-0-2) Megan Rosburg, American (9/12)	
Assists:	26- Monika Smidova, American (9/12)	30 - American (9/12)
	1- Monika Smidova, Allison Cappellino, Kelly McCaddin & Megan Rosbu	· , ,
	13 - Allison Cappellino, American (9/12)	
	1 - Sarah Katz, American (9/12)	
	2 - Kelly McCaddin & Kristyna Lindovska, American (9/12)	
lotal Blocks:	2 - Kelly McCaddin & Kristyna Lindovska, American (9/12)	
FIVE SETS	INDIVIDUAL	TFAM
	15 - Morgan Boukather, Stanford (9/5)	
	35 - Jordan Burgess, Stanford (9/5)	
	385 - Jordan Burgess, Staniord (5/ 5)	
	43 - Madi Bugg, Stanford (9/5)	
	1 - Morgan Boukather and Megan McGehee, Stanford (9/5)	
	19 - Kyle Gilbert, Stanford (9/5)	
	N/A	
	4 - M. Boukather, I. Ajanaku, Merete Lutz, Stanford (9/5)	
Total Blocks:	4 - M. Boukatner, I. Ajanaku, Merete Lutz, Stanford (9/5) 4 - M. Boukather, I. Ajanaku, Merete Lutz, Stanford (9/5)	

INDIVIDUAL PLAYER MATCH-BY-MATCH HIGHS

DATE OPPONENT	KILLS	ATTACKS	ASSISTS	DIGS	TOTAL BLOCKS
Aug. 29 TCU	Frantti - 13	Frantti -24	Hancock - 37	Frantti - 7 Hancock - 7 Gonzalez - 7	Frantti - 4
Aug. 30 Iona	Frantti - 11	Frantti - 20 Whitney - 20	Hancock - 30	Gonzalez - 11	Thelen - 3
Aug. 30 William & Mary	Lee - 10	Lee - 17	Hancock - 35	Courtney - 7	Courtney - 4 Frantti - 4
Sept. 5 Stanford	Frantti - 22	Courtney - 43	Hancock - 57	Gonzalez - 20	Courtney - 5
Sept. 6 UCLA	Frantti - 14	Frantti - 21	Hancock - 37	Gonzalez - 7	Grant - 7
Sept. 12 American	Frantti - 12	Frantti - 39	Hancock - 35	Gonzalez - 21	Grant - 5
					Whitney - 5
Sept. 12 Villanova	Courtney - 14	Frantti - 26	Hancock - 47	Gonzalez - 10	Grant - 2
Sept. 13 Yale	Frantti - 11	Courtney - 20	Hancock - 35	Gonzalez - 19	Grant - 2
	Grant - 11				Hancock - 2
Sept. 13 Kansas	Whitney - 13	Whitney - 21	Hancock - 34	Gonzalez - 12	Whitney - 6
Sept. 19 Eastern Illinois	Grant - 10	Courtney - 19	Hancock - 30	Hancock - 10	Grant - 5
	Lee - 10			Courtney - 10	
Sept. 19 DePaul	Frantti - 9	Frantti - 14	Hancock - 27	Hancock - 6	Whitney - 3
				Gonzalez - 6	
Sept. 20 UIC	Whitney - 13	Courtney - 19	Hancock - 38	Gonzalez - 10	Hancock - 1
					Grant - 1
Sept. 20 East Carolina	Frantti - 10	Courtney -17	Hancock 33	Gonzalez - 5	Grant - 2
	Courtney - 10				Hancock - 2
TOTALS (INCLUDING TIES)					
	Frantti - 8	Frantti - 6	Hancock - 13	Frantti - 1	Frantti - 2
	Lee - 2	Lee - 1		Gonzalez - 11	Courtney - 2
	Courtney - 2	Whitney - 1		Hancock - 3	Thelen - 1
	Grant - 2	Courtney - 5		Courtney - 2	Grant - 7
	Whitney - 2	Whitney - 1		•	Whitney - 3
	•	·			Hancock - 3

TEAM MATCH-BY-MATCH STAT COMPARISON

DATE	OPPONENT	<u>SETS</u>	<u>KILLS</u>	HITTING %	ACES	DIGS	TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS	TOTAL PTS SCORED*
Aug. 29	TCU/PSU	3	29/48	.125/.429	0/2	27/35	4.0/8.0	33.0/58.0
Aug. 30	Iona/PSU	3	12/40	075/.329	1/4	22/35	3.0/5.5	16.0/49.5
Aug. 30	W&M/PSU	3	17/45	056/.576	0/4	13/30	3.0/8.5	20.0/57.5
Sept. 5	Stanford/PSU	5	54/71	.237/.243	2/4	62/73	10.0/8.0	66.0/83.0
Sept. 6	UCLA/PSU	3	42/43	.183/.442	6/5	33/34	1.0/10.0	49.0/58.0
Sept. 12	American/PSU	4	33/49	.105/.269	4/14	46/53	4.0/11.0	41.0/74.0
Sept. 12	Nova/PSU	3	27/54	.200/.416	0/7	30/38	1.0/4.0	28.0/65.0
Sept. 13	Yale/PSU	3	26/45	.108/.419	2/3	36/43	1.0/4.0	29.0/52.0
Sept. 13	Kansas/PSU	3	32/43	.134/.319	4/6	35/34	6.0/9.0	42.0/58.0
Sept. 19	EIU/PSU	3	28/46	.138/.440	0/6	34/43	3.0/7.5	31.0/59.5
Sept. 19	DePaul/PSU	3	19/38	.069/.586	0/15	12/22	2.0/6.0	21.0/59.0
Sept. 20	UIC/PSU	3	32/51	.217/.500	1/6	27/32	1.0/3.0	34.0/60.0
Sept. 20	ECU/PSU	3	17/45	.034/.466	1/12	15/23	5.0/5.0	23.0/62.0

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

2014 SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	SET SCORES	SITE	ATT.	RECORD	TIME
Aug. 29	TCU	W	3-0	25-10, 25-17, 25-17	University Park, Pa.	2,809	1-0	1:22
Aug. 30	Iona	W	3-0	25-13, 25-14, 25-11	University Park, Pa.	3,354	2-0	1:02
Aug.30	William & Mary	W	3-0	25-13, 25-12, 25-9	University Park, Pa.	3,354	3-0	1:10
Sept. 5	Stanford	L	3-2	25-18, 23-25, 22-25, 25-16, 10-15	Palo Alto, Calif.	3,685	3-1	2:32
Sept. 6	UCLA	W	3-0	25-19, 27-25, 25-17	Palo Alto, Calif.	412	4-1	1:37
Sept. 12	American	W	3-1	24-26, 25-8, 25-14, 25-16	Villanova, Pa.	387	5-1	1:37
Sept. 12	Villanova	W	3-0	25-19, 25-12, 25-15	Villanova, Pa.	1,239	6-1	1:24
Sept. 13	Yale	W	3-0	25-14, 25-15, 25-15	Villanova, Pa.	673	7-1	1:14
Sept. 13	Kansas	W	3-0	25-10, 27-25, 25-23	Villanova, Pa.	933	8-1	1:27
Sept. 19	Eastern Illinois	W	3-0	25-10, 25-9, 25-17	University Park, Pa.	2,467	9-1	1:03
Sept. 19	DePaul	W	3-0	25-8, 25-10, 25-13	University Park, Pa.	2,467	10-1	1:04
Sept. 20	UIC	W	3-0	25-18, 25-13, 25-16	University Park, Pa.	3,337	11-1	:59
Sept. 20	East Carolina	W	3-0	25-11, 25-17, 25-10	University Park, Pa.	3,337	12-1	1:05



LACEY
FULLER
SENIOR | DS
SAN DIEGO, CALIF.

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Has started all 13 matches during the 2014 season ... Highlighted the Penn State Classic with four digs against TCU (8/29) and one ace against William & Mary (8/30) ... Posted her first double-digit dig performance of the season with 10 at No. 2 Stanford (9/5) ... Posted at least two digs in every match at the Villanova Classic, highlighting the event with eight digs in a four-set victory against American (9/12) ... Recorded at least three digs in all three matches of the Penn State Alumni Classic, highlighting the weekend with six digs against Eastern Illinois (9/19).

2013 HIGHLIGHTS » Played in all 36 matches, seeing action in 118 sets ... Closed out the 2013 season ranked fifth on the team in digs with 141, averaging 1.19 per set ... Posted eight digs in back-to-back NCAA tournament matches against Utah (12/7) and Michigan State (12/13) ... Recorded a season-high nine digs in the NCAA regional final match against Stanford (12/14) .. Had one dig and one ace in the NCAA national semifinal match against third-seeded Washington (12/19) ... Totaled five digs in the NCAA national championship match against No. 12 Wisconsin (12/21).

PERSONAL » Born Lacey Fuller on Aug. 26, 1992 in San Diego, Calif. ... parents are Donald and Mary Ann Fuller ... has one brother, Blake and two sisters, Loni and Kim.

2014 MATC	H-B	Y-M/	ATCH						
OPP.	K	Ε	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	TB	
TCU	0	0	0	.000	0	0	4	0	
Iona	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	
William & Mary	0	0	0	.000	1	1	2	0	
Stanford	0	0	0	.000	1	0	10	0	
UCLA	0	0	0	.000	1	0	5	0	
American	0	0	0	.000	2	1	8	0	
Villanova	0	0	0	.000	0	0	5	0	
Yale	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	
Kansas	0	0	0	.000	0	0	6	0	
Eastern Illinois	0	0	0	.000	1	0	6	0	
DePaul	0	0	0	.000	3	0	5	0	
UIC	0	0	0	.000	0	0	4	0	
East Carolina	0	0	0	.000	0	0	3	0	

TOTA OFFI	ON HIGHS						CATE	GORY							CAREER	R HIGH			
N/A							Ki	lls								N/A			
N/A							Atta	acks											
N/A							.Hitting Pe	ercentage						N/A					
	(9/19)																		
1 vs. William	& Mary (8/30)						Ac	es			. 2,4x, last	vs. Bowling	Green (12	2/1/12)					
10 vs. Stanfor	rd (9/5)			Digs Blocks										13 v	s. Texas (9	9/9/11)			
N/A							Blo	cks								N/A			
FULLER'S C	AREER STATS																		
	CAREER STATS MP-SP	K	E	TA	PCT.	ASSISTS	ACES	DIGS	BS	BA	ТВ	KPS	APS	SAPS	DPS	BPS			
SEASON		К 0	E 0	TA O	PCT000	ASSISTS 4	ACES 6	DIGS 56	BS 0	BA 0	TB 0	KPS 0.00	APS 0.06	SAPS 0.10	DPS 0.88	BPS 0.00			
- 0	MP-SP		_								. –								
SEASON 2011 2012	MP-SP 30-67	0	0	0	.000	4	6	56	0	0	0	0.00	0.06	0.10	0.88	0.00			
SEASON 2011	MP-SP 30-67 36-119	0	0 2	0	.000	4 16	6 22	56 192	0	0	0	0.00	0.06 0.13	0.10 0.16	0.88 1.42	0.00			



DOMINIQUE GONZALEZ

JUNIOR | DS SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Has started all nine matches during the 2014 season at libero ... Her 3.67 digs per set ranks first on the squad ... Highlighted the Penn State Classic with double-digit kills against lona (8/30), posting a team-high 11 ... Leads the team with 2.33 digs per set on the year ... Notched her fourth career 20+ dig performance with a matchhigh 20 digs at No. 2 Stanford (9/6) ... Led the team with seven digs against UCLA (9/6) ... Posted double-digit digs in four consecutive matches at the Villanova Classic ... Recorded her second 20+ dig performance of the season with a season-high 21 digs against American (9/12), while also tallying a career-high three aces ... Matched a career-high mark with three aces against DePaul (9/19) and UIC (9/20), while also notching double-digit digs against the Flames (10).

2014 HONORS » Big Ten/Pac-12 Challenge All-Tournament Team (9/6) ... Penn State Alumni Classic All-Tournament Team (9/20).

2013 HIGHLIGHTS » Started all 36 matches at libero ... Concluded the season ranked first on the team in digs (416), averaging a squad-best 3.28 per set ... Posted double-digit digs in 23-of-36 matches, including three matches with 20 or more digs ... Matched a career-high mark with two aces against Yale (9/22) ... Totaled a season-high 24 digs against Northwestern (11/22) ... Registered four consecutive double-digit dig matches during the 2013 NCAA tournament with 18 against Michigan State (12/13), 15 against Stanford (12/15), 13 against No. 3 Washington (12/19) and 20 in the national championship match against No. 12 Wisconsin (12/21).

2013 HONORS » Penn State Classic All-Tournament Team (9/21)

PERSONAL » Born Dominique Shavawn Gonzalez on July 11, 1993 in San Antonio, Texas ... Parents are Roger and Debra Gonzalez ... Has two sisters, Jaci Gonzalez Barrientes and Nicki ... Sister, Jaci, played volleyball and softball at the University of Houston and sister, Nicki, played volleyball at UT Brownsville ... majoring in kinesiology.

2014 MATC	Н-В	Y-MA	ATCH						
OPP.	K	Ε	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	TB	
TCU	0	0	0	.000	3	0	7	0	
Iona	0	0	0	.000	3	0	11	0	
William & Mary	0	0	0	.000	2	0	3	0	
Stanford	0	0	0	.000	4	1	20	0	
UCLA	0	0	0	.000	1	1	7	0	
American	0	0	0	.000	1	3	21	0	
Villanova	0	0	0	.000	4	0	10	0	
Yale	0	0	1	.000	2	0	19	0	
Kansas	0	0	0	.000	1	0	12	0	
Eastern Illinois	0	0	0	.000	6	0	9	0	
DePaul	0	0	0	.000	4	3	6	0	
UIC	0	0	0	.000	4	3	10	0	
East Carolina	0	0	0	.000	2	2	5	0	

2014 SEASO	N HIGHS						CATE	GORY							CAREER	HIGH
N/A							K	ills			1, 5x last	vs. Minne	sota (10,	/9/13)		
N/A							Atta	acks					2, 2x	, last vs. D	ePaul (9)	/8/12)
N/A				Hitting Percentage												N/A
4 vs. Stanfor	d (9/5)			Assists									7, 2	2x last vs.	Texas (9)	/7/13)
1 vs. Stanfor	d (9/5)			Aces										3 vs. Amei	rican (9/2	L2/14)
GONZALEZ'S	S CAREER STA	ATS														
SEASON	MP-SP	K	Е	TA	PCT.	ASSISTS	ACES	DIGS	BS	BA	TB	KPS	APS	SAPS	DPS	BPS
2011	29-84	0	0	4	.000	18	4	117	0	0	0	0.00	0.23	0.10	1.46	0.00
2012	36-125	5	1	14	.286	110	29	503	0	0	0	0.04	0.77	0.21	3.66	0.00
2013	34-129	1	2	8	125	93	18	422	0	0	0	0.01	0.73	0.13	3.19	0.00
2014	13-42	0	0	1	.000	37	13	140	0	0	0	0.00	0.70	0.17	3.67	0.00
CAREER	114-378	6	3	27	.111	243	65	1,136	0	0	0	0.02	0.64	0.17	3.01	0.00



NIA GRANT

SENIOR | MH WARREN, OHIO

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Totaled seven kills on 13 errorless swings, adding two aces, two digs and two blocks in her senior season debut against TCU (8/29) ... Finished second on the team with nine kills on .467 hitting against UCLA (9/6), tallying a match-high seven blocks and a squad-best two aces ... Posted double-digit kills in three-of-four matches at the Villanova Classic, setting a career-high mark with an .846 hitting clip against Yale (9/13) ... Registered a team-high 10 digs on 16 errorless swings agianst Eastern Illinois (9/19) ... Her .525 hitting percentage ranks second nationally and leads the Big Ten

2014 HONORS » Preseason All-Big Ten ... Big Ten Player of the Week (9/15) ... Villanova Classic All-Tournament Team.

2013 HIGHLIGHTS » Selected to the AVCA All-Northeast Region team and earned AVCA All-America honorable mention honors ... Played in 35 games this season, starting 33 matches ... Finished fifth on the team with 208 kills, averaging 1.76 per set ... Her .350 hitting percentage ranked second on the team and fifth in the Big Ten ... Also tallied 23 aces in 2013, which closed out the season ranked second on the team ... Served up a season-high three aces at Texas (9/7) ... Recorded back-to-back double-digit kill matches at Illinois (10) and Northwestern (11) ... Logged a team-high six blocks against No. 24 Ohio State (10/23), adding four digs, three kills and an ace ... Matched a career-high mark with 11 kills against Northwestern (11/22) ... Had six kills, one ace, two digs and four blocks in the NCAA national semifinal match against No. 3 Washington (12/19) ... Posted four kills, one dig and four blocks in the national title match against No. 12 Wisconsin (12/21).

 ${\bf 2013\ HONORS\ }$ AVCA All-America Honorable Mention ... AVCA All-Northeast Region team honoree.

PERSONAL » Born Nia Nicole Grant on May 8, 1993 in Warren, Ohio ... parents are African and Stacey Grant ... Has one brother, A.J. Grant (18), and one sister, Faith (15) ... Father, African, played football for the Miami Dolphins ... majoring in communications.

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2014 MATC	H-B	Y-M <i>A</i>	ATCH						
OPP.	K	Ε	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	TB	
TCU	7	0	13	.538	1	2	2	2	
Iona	4	1	7	.429	0	0	1	0	
William & Mary	4	2	6	.333	4	0	0	3	
Stanford	9	3	19	.316	0	0	5	2	
UCLA	9	2	15	.467	1	2	2	7	
American	10	2	14	.571	0	1	5	5	
Villanova	8	0	13	.615	0	0	1	2	
Yale	11	0	13	.846	0	0	2	2	
Kansas	10	3	15	.467	0	0	2	3	
Eastern Illinois	10	0	16	.625	0	0	3	5	
DePaul	4	0	4	1.00	0	0	0	2	
UIC	7	2	13	.385	0	0	2	1	
East Carolina	7	2	10	.500	1	0	1	2	
DePaul UIC	4 7	0	4	1.00 .385	0	0	0 2	2	

2014 SEASO	N HIGHS		CATEGORY CAREER HIGH															
11 vs. Yale (9/	13)							Kills					11, 4x last	vs Northwe	estern (11/	/22/13)		
19 vs. Stanford	I (9/5)						At	tacks						20 v	s. Iowa (9/	(22/12)		
.846 (11-0-13)	vs. Yale (9/13)						Hitting I	Percentage					846	(11-0-13) \	/s. Yale (9/	/13/14)		
1 vs. TCU (8/29	9)						As	sists					2 2x, la	ast vs. Neb	raska (11/	/30/13)		
2 vs. UCLA (9/6	CU (8/29) Assists 2 2x, last vs. Nebraska (11/30/13) CLA (9/6) Aces 3 vs. Texas (9/7/13)									9/7/13)								
5 vs. Stanford ((9/5)			DigsDigs							7 vs. Illinois (11/23/13)							
7 vs. UCLA (9/6	ີລ)			Blocks										9 at Min	nesota (11	L/4/11)		
				5,000														
GRANT'S CA	REER STATS																	
SEASON	MP-SP	K	Ε	TA	PCT.	ASSISTS	ACES	DIGS	BS	BA	TB	KPS	APS	SAPS	DPS	BPS		
2011	32-108	151	44	309	.346	7	13	45	11	91	102	1.29	0.06	0.11	0.37	0.91		
2012	36-139	205	52	407	.376	5	0	15	9	124	133	1.65	0.04	0.00	0.10	0.97		
2013	35-121	208	64	411	.350	10	23	69	12	85	97	1.76	0.08	0.19	0.58	0.82		
2014	13-40	100	17	158	.525	3	5	26	5	31	36	2.50	0.08	0.13	0.65	0.90		
CAREER	116-399	664	177	1,285	.379	25	41	150	39	321	360	1.66	0.06	0.10	0.38	0.90		



MICHA HANCOCK

SENIOR | S EDMOND, OKLA.

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Enters the week ranked first nationally in aces per set, averaging 1.17 per set ... Averaging 11.31 assists per set, she's paced the team to a .395 team hitting clip, which leads the nation ... Directed the Penn State offense to a .436 hitting clip in a 3-0 opening weekend ... Recorded her first double-double of the season at No. 2 Stanford (9/5) with 57 assists and 13 digs ... Totaled 21 aces in the Villanova Classic, highlighting the event with a season-high eight against American (9/12) ... Totaled 22 aces in the Penn State Alumni Classic with eight against DePaul (9/19) and ECU (9/20).

2014 HONORS » Preseason All-Big Ten ... Penn State Classic All-Tournament ... Big Ten Setter of the Week (9/15, 9/22) ... Villanova Classic MVP

2013 HIGHLIGHTS » Ranked second nationally and first in the Big Ten in aces per set, averaging 0.65 per frame ... With 254 career aces she is currently the all-time career leader in the category ... Paced the team to a .305 hitting percentage, ranked fifth in the nation and first in the conference ... Recorded seven double-doubles, while also tallying eight matches with more than 10 digs ... Set a season-high mark with eight aces against Louisville (8/31) and lowa (10/26) ... Posted five kills on .625 hitting in the NCAA national semifinal match against No. 3 Washington (12/19) ... Set the Lions to a national championship title with 16 digs, 48 assists & three aces in the national finals against No. 12 Wisconsin (12/21).

2013 HONORS » 2013 NCAA Tournament Most Outstanding Player ... Two-time AVCA First Team All-America (2012-13) ... 2013 AVCA All-Northeast Region ... 2013 Volleyball Magazine Second Team All-America ... Lexington Regional All-Tournament ... Two-time Big Ten Setter of the Year (2012-13) ... 2013 All-Big Ten ... Five-time Big Ten Setter of the Week in 2013 (10/7, 10/14, 11/4, 11/25, 12/2) ... Penn State Invitational MVP (8/31) ... FGCU Tournament All-Tournament Team (9/14).

PERSONAL » Born Micha Danielle Hancock on Nov. 10, 1992 in McAlester, Okla. … Parents are Michael and Kelly … Has one sister, Kelsey … Sister, Kelsey, played volleyball at Tulsa … Mother, Kelly, played basketball at Oklahoma State … Father, Michael, was a professional boxer.

2014 MATC	H-B	Y-M <i>F</i>	NTCH						
OPP.	K	Ε	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	TB	
TCU	2	0	5	.400	37	0	7	2	
Iona	2	1	5	.200	30	1	8	1	
William & Mary	5	0	7	.714	35	2	5	0	
Stanford	4	3	13	.077	57	1	13	0	
UCLA	4	1	9	.333	37	2	5	4	
American	5	1	9	.444	35	8	4	2	
Villanova	3	1	6	.333	47	6	6	1	
Yale	3	0	5	.600	35	1	5	2	
Kansas	4	2	9	.222	34	6	1	2	
Eastern Illinois	6	0	10	.625	30	4	10	2	
DePaul	2	1	3	.333	27	8	5	1	
UIC	5	1	8	.500	38	2	3	1	
East Carolina	3	0	3	1.00	33	8	4	2	

2014 SEAS	ON HIGHS						CATE	GORY							CAREE	R HIGH
6 vs. Eastern I	Illinois (9/19)						Ki	lls						9 ۱	vs. MSU (9	/27/13)
13 vs. Stanfor	d (9/5)						Atta	acks						15 vs	. Illinois (1	.0/8/11)
.714 (5-0-7) vs	s. William & Mary	(8/30)					Hitting Pe	ercentage				8 [.]	75 (7-0-8)	vs. USC (8	/27/11)	
				Assists												
8, 3x last vs. E	East Carolina (9/2	20)					Ac	es					10	vs. Bingh	amton (11,	/30/12)
13 vs. Stanfor	d (9/5)						Di	gs						23 vs. S	Stanford (8	/31/12)
4 vs. UCLA (9/	(6)						Blo	cks						8 at Neb	oraska (10,	/28/12)
HANCOCK'S	CAREER STA	rs														
SEASON	MP-SP	K	Ε	TA	PCT.	ASSISTS	ACES	DIGS	BS	ВА	TB	KPS	APS	SAPS	DPS	BPS
2011	33-121	110	28	226	.309	1,275	91	279	5	54	59	0.91	10.54	0.75	2.31	0.49
2012	36-125	125	34	293	.358	1,403	81	298	8	68	76	1.00	11.22	0.65	2.38	0.61
2013	36-127	129	36	283	.331	1,425	82	289	5	69	74	0.99	11.15	0.63	2.23	0.60
2014	13-42	48	11	92	.402	475	49	77	3	17	20	1.14	11.31	1.17	1.83	0.48
2014																



AIYANA **WHITNEY**

REDSHIRT JUNIOR | OH NORWOOD, N.J.

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Has played in all 13 matches this season, having started 12 ... Her .429 hitting percentage ranks 18th nationally and fourth in the Big Ten ... Played in all three matches during a 3-0 opening weekend, starting against TCU (8/29) and William & Mary (8/30) ... Put down eight kills and three blocks in her 2014 debut against the Horned Frogs ... Ranked second on the team with nine kills on nine perfect swings against the Tribe, adding one dig ad two blocks ... Had seven kills on .583 hitting without any attack errors against UCLA (9/6) ... Put down double-digit kills in two matches at the Villanova Classic, highlighting the event with a season-high 13 kills and a career-high six blocks against Kansas (9/13) ... Served up a career-high two aces against De-Paul (9/19) ... Led the team with 13 kills on 18 errorless swings against UIC (9/20)

2014 HONORS » Villanova Classic All-Tournament Team ... Penn State Alumni Classic MVP.

2013 HIGHLIGHTS » Played in 21 matches during the season, recording three starts ... Tied for second on the team with six kills against Syracuse (8/31), on .455 hitting, recording three digs and two blocks ... Put down a season-high seven kills on .667 hitting against Albany (9/20), while also matching a career-high mark with four blocks ... Posted five kills on .444 efficiency against Iowa (10/26) ... Tallied two kills and one block in the NCAA tournament first round match against LIU Brookyln (12/6) ... Notched two kills in the NCAA regional final match against Stanford (12/14).

PERSONAL » Born Aiyana Tremayne Abukusumo-Whitney on April 6, 1993 in New York, N.Y. ... Parents are Alvin and Vanessa Whitney ... has one brother, Khalil and one sister Anissa ... Uncle Ubusuku Abukusumo played soccer for the Columbus Crew from 1997-2000, competed on the USA U-20 Youth National Team/Olympic Pool Team in 1998-99 and the CONCACAF World Cup Qualifying Team in 1996 ... Majoring in broadcast journalism.

2014 MATC	H-B	Y-M/	ATCH					
OPP.	K	Е	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	TB
TCU	8	2	14	.429	0	0	1	3
Iona	8	6	20	.100	0	0	2	1
William & Mary	9	0	9	1.00	0	0	1	2
Stanford	7	4	23	.130	0	0	1	4
UCLA	7	0	12	.583	0	0	1	2
American	8	3	20	.250	0	0	0	5
Villanova	10	2	14	.571	0	0	1	1
Yale	5	2	15	.200	0	0	0	1
Kansas	13	1	21	.571	0	0	0	6
Eastern Illinois	7	1	9	.667	0	0	0	1
DePaul	6	0	9	.667	0	2	1	3
UIC	13	0	18	.722	0	1	4	0
East Carolina	7	2	14	.357	0	0	2	1

2014 SEAS	ON HIGHS						CATE	GORY						CAREE	RHIGH	
13 vs. Kansas	s (9/13)						Ki	ills						15 v	s. Texas 9,	/10/11)
23 vs. Stanfo	rd (9/5)						Atta	acks						30 vs	s. Texas (9,	/10/11)
1.000 vs. Will	iam & Mary (8/3	(0)					Hitting Pe	ercentage				1.0	00 (9-0-9)	vs. William	& Mary (8,	/30/14)
7 vs. TCU (8/2	29)						Di	gs					7	at TCU (8,	/29/14)	
6 vs. Kansas	(9/13)						Blo	cks					6	vs. Kansas	s (9/13)	
WHITNEY'S	CAREER STAT	S														
SEASON	MP-SP	K	Ε	TA	PCT.	ASSISTS	ACES	DIGS	BS	BA	TB	KPS	APS	SAPS	DPS	BPS
2011	24-65	113	44	257	.194	0	0	11	3	22	24	1.74	0.00	0.00	0.22	0.38
2012	Redshirt se	ason.														
2013	21-32	42	12	95	.316	1	0	8	0	12	12	1.29	0.03	0.00	0.26	0.39
2014	13-41	41	108	198	.429	0	3	14	2	28	30	2.63	0.00	0.07	0.34	0.73
2017			263		.289	1	3	36	5	62	42	1.91	0.01	0.02	0.26	0.49



MEGAN COURTNEY

JUNIOR | OH DAYTON, OHIO

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Her 2.67 kills per stet ranks second on the team while her .372 hitting percentage ranks 13th in the Big Ten ... Opened the season with double-digit (12) kills on . 556 hitting against TCU (8/29), adding five digs and two blocks ... Notched at least eight kills against Iona (8/30) and William & Mary (8/30) on .400 or better hitting ... Set a season-high mark with 18 kills at No. 2 Stanford (9/5), adding nine digs and five blocks ... Led the team with 14 kills at Villanova (9/12) ... Highlighted the Penn State Alumni Classic with her fourth double-digit kill performance, tallying 10 kills on .529 hitting against East Carolina (9/20).

2014 HONORS » Penn State Classic All Tournament Team.

2013 HIGHLIGHTS » Played in 35 matches, starting 34 contests at outside hitter ... Posted seven double-doubles, while also tallying double-digit kills in 13 matches ... Led the team in kills in eight contests ... Notched double figure digs in 12 matches, while leading the squad in the category five times ... Registered four consecutive double-digit kill performances against Yale (11), Michigan State (15), Michigan (11) and Indiana (15) from 9/21-10/3 ... Led the team with a double-double at No. 14 Wisconsin (11/15), posting 14 kills and 11 digs ... Led the team with a career-high 10 kills on .474 (10-1-19) hitting against Northwestern (11/22) ... Led the team with 17 kills in the NCAA tournament second round match against Utah (12/7) ... Notched a double-double (10 kills, 14 digs) in the NCAA regional semifinals against Michigan State (12/13) ... Highlighted the NCAA national title match with five kills and a teamhigh five blocks against No. 12 Wisconsin (12/21), while also tying for team-best with 20 digs.

2013 HONORS » Hilton Garden Inn Homewood Suites All-Tournament team ... 2013 Preseason All-Big Ten.

PERSONAL » Born Megan Eileen Courtney on Oct. 27, 1993 in Kettering, Ohio ... Parents are Rob and Sharon Courtney ... Has one brother, Robbie (24),who played volleyball at Quincy ... Plans to major in kinesiology.

2014 SEASON HIGHS

2014 MATC	H-B	Y-M <i>A</i>	NTCH						
OPP.	K	Ε	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	TB	
TCU	12	2	18	.556	1	0	5	2	
Iona	8	2	15	.400	1	0	8	1	
William & Mary	8	1	13	.538	2	0	7	4	
Stanford	18	6	43	.279	4	1	9	5	
UCLA	1	1	11	.000	1	0	5	3	
American	7	2	23	.217	4	0	11	4	
Villanova	14	1	22	.591	1	0	8	0	
Yale	8	2	20	.300	2	0	2	0	
Kansas	4	2	13	.154	1	0	7	5	
Eastern Illinois	7	1	19	.316	1	0	19	1	
DePaul	6	1	9	.556	1	0	1	0	
UIC	9	0	19	.474	4	0	6	1	
East Carolina	10	1	17	.529	1	0	4	0	

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18 vs. Stanford	d (9/5)						Ki	lls					21 \	s. Northwe	estern (11/	/22/13)
43 vs. Stanford	d (9/5)						Atta	acks						. 47 at Mic	higan (10/	/20/12)
	vs. William & Ma															
4, 2x last vs. U	IIC (9/20)						Ass	ists						4, 2x last	vs. UIC (9/	/20/14)
1 at Stanford (9/5)						Ac	es					2, 3	x, last at P	urdue (11/	/17/12)
9 at Stanford (9/5)						Di	gs				22 vs. Min	nesota (10	0/9/13)		
5 at Stanford (Stanford (9/5)													8 at Mic	higan (10/	/20/12)
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COURTNEY	S CAREER STA	ATS														
SEASON	MP-SP	K	Е	TA	PCT.	ASSISTS	ACES	DIGS	BS	BA	TB	KPS	APS	SAPS	DPS	BPS
2012	36-120	240	88	632	.241	34	13	237	32	69	101	2.00	0.28	0.11	1.98	0.84
2013	35-120	297	96	740	.272	32	1	301	28	59	87	2.48	0.27	0.01	2.51	0.73
2014	13-42	112	22	242	.372	24	3	80	2	25	27	2.67	0.57	0.07	1.90	0.64
Career	84-282	649	206	1.614	1.274	89	17	618	62	153	215	2.30	0.32	0.06	2.19	0.76

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LARA CARAWAY JUNIOR | DS

EVANS CITY, Pa.

2014 MATC	H-B	Y-MA	TCH						
OPP.	K	Ε	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	TB	
TCU	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	
Iona	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	
William & Mary	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	
American	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	0	
Eastern Illinois	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	
DePaul	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Played in all three matches during a 3-0 week, matching a career high mark with two digs against lona (8/30) ... Tallied one ace against American (9/12) ... Matched a season-high mark with two digs against Yale (9/13).

2013 HIGHLIGHTS » Played in 21 matches during the 2013 season ... Totaled seven digs during the season, including two at Florida Gulf Coast University (9/14) and against Yale (9/21) ... Played in both of the NCAA tournament first and second round matches against LIU Brooklyn (12/5) and Utah (12/7) ... Also saw action in the NCAA regional semifinal match against Michigan State (12/13), as well as the NCAA national final match against No. 3 Washington (12/19).

PERSONAL » Born Lara Elizabeth Caraway on Feb. 22, 1994 in Lincoln, Neb. ... Parents are Jimmy and Tami Caraway ... Has one brother, John ... Majoring in kinesiology ... Plans to pursue a career as a coach or athletic performance trainer.

2014 SEASO	N HIGHS						CATE	GORY					CAREE	₹ HIGH		
N/A							Ki	lls								N/A
N/A							Atta	icks						1 vs.	Marquette	9(9/13)
N/A							.Hitting Pe	ercentage								N/A
N/A							Ass	ists						, 2x last a	it FGCU (9,	/14/13)
1, vs. American	(9/12)						Ac	es					1, 5x	, last vs. An	nerican (9,	/12/14)
2 vs. Iona (8/30																
N/A	Blocks														N/A	
CARAWAY'S	CAREER STA	ITS														
SEASON	MP-SP	K	Ε	TA	PCT.	ASSISTS	ACES	DIGS	BS	BA	TB	KPS	APS	SAPS	DPS	BPS
2012	16-24	0	0	0	.000	1	3	5	0	0	0.00	0.04	0.13	0.21	0.00	
2013	21-24	0	0	1	.000	1	1	6	0	0	0	0.00	0.05	0.05	0.32	0.00
2014	7-7	0	0	0	.000	0	1	5	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.14	0.71	0.00
CAREER	44-55	0	0	1	.000	2	5	16	0	0	0	0.00	0.04	0.09	0.29	0.00



KENDALL PIERCE

JUNIOR | DS EDEN, N.Y.

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Played in all three matches in a 3-0 opening weekend, highlighting the weekend with two digs against William & Mary (8/30) ... Matched a season-high mark with two digs against UCLA (9/6) ... Set a new season-high mark with three digs against Yale (9/13).

2013 HIGHLIGHTS » Played in 35 matches during the 2013 season, recording seven aces and 21 digs ... Registered seven aces and 21 digs on the year ... Posted a season-high three digs against Yale (9/21) ... Matched the mark again during the regular season with three digs against Ohio State (11/27) ... Totaled three digs in the NCAA tournament first round match against LIU Brooklyn (12/6) ... Saw action in four more NCAA tournament matches including the NCAA regional final match against Stanford (12/14) and the national title match against Wisconsin (12/21).

PERSONAL » Born Kendall Adair Pierce on March 21, 1994 in Glarus, Switzerland ... Parents are Robert and Kiernan Pierce ... Has one sister, Lainy and one brother, Declan ... Father, Robert, played volleyball at Penn State from 1985-89 ... Mother, Kiernan, was a member of the PSU track & field team from 1984-89 ... Sister, Lainy is a freshman for the Nittany Lions ... Majoring in health policy and administration with a minor in communication and sciences.

H-B	Y-M <i>A</i>	NTCH						
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2014 SEAS	ON HIGHS						CATE	GORY					CAREER	HIGH		
N/A							Ki	lls								N/A
N/A							Atta	acks								N/A
N/A							Hitting Pe	ercentage								N/A
N/A							Ac	es					1,	6x last vs.	Minnesota	(10/9)
3 vs. Yale (9/1	L3)						Di	gs						3, 2x last v	s. Yale (9/	(13/14)
N/A							Blo	cks						N/A		
PIERCE'S C	AREER STATS															
SEASON	MP-SP	K	Е	TA	PCT.	ASSISTS	ACES	DIGS	BS	BA	TB	KPS	APS	SAPS	DPS	BPS
2012	18-29	0	0	0	.000	2	9	7	0	0	0	0.00	0.07	0.31	0.24	0.00
2013	34-83	0	0	0	.000	1	7	21	0	0	0	0.00	0.01	0.08	0.24	0.00
2014	13-22	0	0	0	.000	0	0	8	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.36	0.00
CAREER	65-134	0	0	0	.000	3	16	36	0	0	0	0.00	0.02	0.12	0.27	0.00



LAURA BROERMAN

SOPHOMORE | DS COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo.

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Saw action on the court against TCU (8/29), Iona (8/30) and William & Mary (8/30), posting one dig against the Horned Frogs ... Played in three matches at the Villanova Classic, recording one dig against Yale (9/13) ... Had one ace against DePaul (9/19).

2013 HIGHLIGHTS » Saw action in five matches during the 2013 season ... Made her collegiate debut for the Nittany Lions against Syracuse (8/31), tallying one dig ... Saw action at FGCU (9/14) ... Totaled one dig against Albany (9/20) ... Played against lowa (10/26) ... Recorded her first collegiate ace against Indiana (11/9).

PERSONAL » Born Laura Lynn Broerman on January 18, 1995 ... Parents are Chuck and Vickie Broerman ... Has two sisters ... Sister, Sarah, played volleyball at UCCS from 2005-09 and Rachel was a member of volleyball team at University of Dayton from 2007-11 ... Plans to major in Biology and become a physician's assistant.

2013 SEASON HIGHS	CATEGORY	CAREER HIGH							
N/A	Kills	N/A							
N/A	Attacks	N/A							
		N/A							
N/A	Assists	N/A							
1 vs. DePaul (9/19)	Aces	1, 2x last vs. DePaul (9/19/14)							
1, 2x last vs. Yale (9/13)	Digs								

BROERMAN'S	CAREER ST	ATS														
SEASON	MP-SP	K	Ε	TA	PCT.	ASSISTS	ACES	DIGS	BS	BA	TB	KPS	APS	SAPS	DPS	BPS
2013	5-5	0	0	0	.000	0	1	2	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.40	0.00
2014	9-9	0	0	0	.000	0	1	2	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.11	0.22	0.00
CAREER	14-14	0	0	0	.000	0	2	4	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.14	0.29	0.00



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TAYLOR KRAUSE

SOPHOMORE | DS ALLENTOWN, Pa.

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Saw action against Iona (8/30) and William & Mary (8/30), recording one dig against the Gaels ... Had one dig against UCLA (9/6) ... Played in all four matches at the Villanova Classic, highlighting the weekend with two digs against Villanova (9/12).

2013 HIGHLIGHTS » Played in 10 matches during her rookie season ... Made her collegiate debut for Penn State against Syracuse (8/31), notching one dig ... Made her NCAA Tournament debut against LIU Brooklyn (12/6).

PERSONAL » Born Taylor Krause on Aug. 21, 1995 in Allentown, Pa. ... Parents are Michael and Jill Krause ... Has one sister, Kristin (14) ... Mother, Jill, attended Penn State ... Plans to major in elementary education and become a kindergarten teacher.

2014 SEASON HIGHS	 				CATE	GORY							CAREEF	R HIGH
1, vs. American (9/12)	 				Ki	lls						1, vs	s. Americar	n (9/12)
1, vs. American (9/12)														
N/A														
N/A	 				Ass					N/A				
N/A	 				Ac	es					N/A			
2 vs. Villanova (9/12)	 				Di	gs			2, 2	x last vs. Vi	illanova (9/	/12/14)		
KRAUSE'S CAREER STA	F	TA	PCT.	2721224	ACES	DIGS	BS	BA	ТВ	KPS	APS	SAPS	DPS	RPS

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CARLEY **MULLER**

SOPHOMORE | DS MANHATTAN BEACH, Calif.

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Saw action against Iona (8/30) and William & Mary (8/30) ... Played against American (9/12) and Yale (9/13) ... Tallied one dig against DePaul (9/19) ... Posted her first collegiate ace against East Carolina (9/20).

2013 HIGHLIGHTS » Played in seven matches during her rookie campaign ... Made her collegiate debut on the court against Syracuse (8/31) ... Also saw action in three Big Ten conference matches against No. 11 Minnesota (10/9), lowa (10/26) and Indiana (11/9).

PERSONAL » Born Carley Muller on April 7, 1995 ... Parents are Mike and Kristin Muller ... Has one sister, Ashley and one brother, Jay ... Plans to major in communications and work in television production after graduation.

2014 SEASON HIGHS	CATEGORY	CAREER HIGH
	Kills	
	Attacks	
N/A	Hitting Percentage	
N/A	Assists	N/A
1 vs. East Carolina (9/20)	Aces	1 vs. East Carolina (9/20/14)
1 vs. DePaul (9/19)	Digs	1 vs. DePaul (9/19/14)
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MULLER'S CAR	MULLER'S CAREER STATS															
SEASON	MP-SP	K	Е	TA	PCT.	ASSISTS	ACES	DIGS	BS	BA	TB	KPS	APS	SAPS	DPS	BPS
2013	7-7	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2014	6-6	0	0	0	.000	0	1	1	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.17	0.17	0.00
CAREER	13-13	0	0	0	.000	0	1	1	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.08	0.08	0.00



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SOPHOMORE | MH ALLENTOWN, Pa.

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Saw action on the court against lona (8/29) and William & Mary (8/30), registering one kill and two blocks against the Gaels … Played against Villanova (9/12) and Yale (9/13) … Had one kill against DePaul (9/19).

2013 HIGHLIGHTS » Made three appearances on the court during her rookie season ... Made her collegiate debut for Penn State against Albany (9/20) notching three kills and two blocks ... Matched a career-high mark with three kills against lowa (10/26) ... Equaled her personal best mark with two blocks against Indiana (11/9).

PERSONAL » Born Kelly Marie Robertson on Jan. 8, 1995 in Allentown, Pa. ... Parents are William and Robin Robertson ... Has one sister, Brooke (17) ... Plans to major in elementary education.

2014 SEASON HIGHS				CATEGORY						CAREER HIGH						
1, 2x last vs. DePaul (9/19)			Kills								3 2x, last vs. lowa (10/26/13)					
3 vs. DePaul (9/19)		Attacks														
1.00 (1-0-1) vs. Iona (8/30)Hitting Percentage																
1 vs. DePaul (9/19)	1 vs. DePaul (9/19)Assists									1 vs. DePaul (9/19)						
N/A	V/AAcesAces													N/A		
N/A					D	igs								N/A		
2 vs. Iona (8/30)		Blocks														
ROBERTSON'S CAREER STATS																
SEASON MP-SP K		TA	PCT.	ASSISTS	ACES	DIGS	BS	BA	TB	KPS	APS	SAPS	DPS	BPS		

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0	6	6	1.00	0.13	0.00	0.00	0.75

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SKYLAR **DYKSTRA**

FRESHMAN | DS REDONDO BEACH, CALIF. (UCLA)

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Tallied on ace against Eastern Illinois (9/19) ... Saw action on the court against DePaul (9/19).

HIGH SCHOOL » A four-year starter at Redondo Union High School ... Earned First Team All-CIF honors during her senior season ... Named Player of the Year by the Daily Breeze and Volleyball Now ... Honored as the California Gatorade Player of the Year and a High School First Team All-American ... Helped the Sea Hawks to a 1-AA CIF Runner-Up finish and a third-place showing at State in 2012 ... A two-time team captain for RUHS ... Also named All-CIF her other three seasons ... A Prep Volleyball Senior Ace.

PERSONAL » Born Skylar Jade Dykstra on Nov. 27, 1994 in Santa Monica, Calif. ... Parents are Lisa and Jerry Joe ... Father played basketball at Western Illinois and holds the NCAA consecutive free throws record, also drafted by the Phoenix Suns ... Has three older sisters, Jenna, who volleyball at Davidson, Devon, who played one season at both Colorado and UCLA, and Lara, who has played at Nebraska and is currently at Pepperdine ... Older brother, Joey, played at USC and is a professional beach

player ... Plans to major in communications.

QUOTING COACH ROSE » "What I like about Skylar was that when I followed her in club she was a well skilled, strong player who played hard all the time. I thought she was loud in her court presence and she was involved in the welfare of her team, not just playing the game."



2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Her .358 hitting percentage ranks 14th in the Big Ten ... Made her collegiate debut against TCU (8/29) with a team-high 13 kills on .500 hitting, while also leading the team in blocks (4) ... Posted her second consecutive double-digit kill performance against Iona (8/30) ... Recorded her first collegiate double-double at No. 2 Stanford with a match-high 22 kills and 11 digs ... Led the team for the fourth time with 14 kills on .619 hitting against UCLA (9/6) ... Highlighted the Villanova Classi cwith 12 kills against American (9/12) ... Recorded 11 kills on a season-high .647 hitting clip vs. Yale (9/13) ... Led the team with 10 kills against ECU (9/19).

2014 HONORS » Big Ten Freshman of the Week (9/1, 9/8) ... Penn State Classic Most Outstanding Player ... Big Ten/Pac-12 Challenge All-Tournament Team

HIGH SCHOOL » Led her high school team, Richmond Burton, to a state title in 2013 ... Garnered First Team All-State honors and Chicago Sun-Times All Area honors in 2012 ... A three-time team MVP and two-year captain ...

With her club team, Club Fusion, she helped guide the squad to back-to-back AAU titles, collecting MVP honors in 2012 and all-tournament honors in 2013 ... Also earned 2013-14 Under Armour First Team All-America honors.

PERSONAL » Born Alexandra Annelise Frantti on March 3, 1996 in Highland Park, III. ... Parents are Kelly and Dan Frantti ... Has three brothers, Connor (19), Peyton (16) and Chase (13).

QUOTING COACH ROSE » "I think Ali has the potential to be an All-America college volleyball player. She has a good arm, great range, and she hits from a high contact point. She is also refreshingly focused on being a good volleyball player. She also sent me a letter in seventh grade saying she wanted to be a Penn State volleyball player."

2014 MATCH-BY-MATCH

OPP.	K	Ε	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	TB
TCU	13	1	24	.500	0	0	7	3
Iona	11	2	20	.450	1	2	2	2
William & Mary	7	1	12	.500	1	1	4	4
Stanford	22	5	42	.405	2	0	11	2
UCLA	14	1	21	.619	0	0	5	0
American	12	8	39	.103	0	0	3	2
Villanova	10	6	26	.154	0	1	4	1
Yale	11	0	17	.647	1	1	5	0
Kansas	7	3	18	.222	0	0	3	1
Eastern Illinois	5	3	15	.125	3	1	4	1
DePaul	9	1	14	.571	0	1	1	0
UIC	3	3	10	.000	0	0	3	0
East Carolina	10	2	15	.533	2	1	3	1



SIMONE FRESHMAN I OH MENOMONEE FALLS, WIS.

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Made her collegiate debut against TCU (8/29) with six kills ... Led the team with double digit kills (10) on .412 hitting against William & Mary (8/30), adding four digs and a solo stuff ... Finished third on the team with double digit kills (11) at No. 2 Stanford (9/5) ... Highlighted the Villanova Classic with nine kills against the Wildcats (9/12) ... Led the team with double digit kills (10) against Eastern Illinois (9/19).

HIGH SCHOOL » Four-year letter winner and two-year captain at Menomonee ... Helped guide the Indians to a WIAA State Championship title in 2013 ... Picked up All-State honors following her sophomore and junior year ... With her club team, Club Fusion, she earned four AAU all-tournament team honors ... A member of the 2012 and 2013 USA Girls' Youth National Team ... Helped the U18 squad to a first place finish in the NORCECA Continental Championships in 2012 and a second place finish at the FIVB U18 World Championships in 2013 ... A 2013-14 Under Armour First Team All-American.

PERSONAL » Born Simone Alexandra Lee on Oct. 7, 1996 in Milwaukee. Wis. ... Parents are Karen and Arthur Lee ... Mother and father were both student-athletes at Drake ... Has one sister, who plays volleyball at Eastern Illinois ... Plans to major in psychology.

QUOTING COACH ROSE » "Simone is physically strong and she's a terrific natural blocker. I think that both her and Ali have loads of experience as primary passers and attackers, and I know it takes a special talent and skill set to have the potential to be able to do that."

2014 MATCH-BY-MATCH

OPP.	K	E	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	TB
TCU	6	4	17	.118	0	0	0	0
William & Mary	10	3	17	.412	0	0	4	1
Stanford	11	8	33	.091	0	0	3	1
UCLA	8	0	18	.444	0	0	1	3
American	5	1	10	.400	0	0	0	2
Villanova	9	2	20	.350	0	0	1	1
Yale	1	2	11	.091	0	0	1	0
Kansas	5	2	18	.167	0	0	3	1
Eastern Illinois	10	1	15	.562	0	0	1	3
DePaul	5	0	8	.625	0	0	0	2
UIC	7	0	12	.583	0	0	0	11
East Carolina	1	1	2	.000	0	0	0	0



PIERCE FRESHMAN I DS

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Has seen action in all five matches this season .. Payed against TCU (8/29), Iona (8/30) and William & Mary (8/30), recording one ace against the Gaels and two digs against the Tribe ... Posted her first collegiate ace at No. 2 Stanford (9/5) ... Saw action on the court in two matches at the Villanova Classic, playing against American (9/12) and Yale (9/13) ... Played in three of four matches during the Penn State Alumni Classic, seeing action against Eastern Illinois (9/19), DePaul (9/19) and East Carolina (9/20).

HIGH SCHOOL » Four-year letterwinner at Eden Junior-Senior ... Helped her high school squad to its fifth state championship as the team captain, picking up MVP honors in 2013 ... 2012 New York Volleyball Gatorade Player of the Year finalist ... Earned First-Team All ECIC and WYN honors in 2012 and 2013 ... Also helped guide her club team, Niagara Frontier, to WEVA Regional Championships from 2008-2013.

PERSONAL » Born Lainy Teal Pierce on Oct. 30, 1995 in Buffalo, N.Y. ... Parents are Robert and Kiernan Pierce ... Has one sister, Kendall, and one brother, Declan ... Father, Robert, played volleyball at Penn State from 1985-89 ... Mother, Kiernan, was a member of the PSU track & field team from 1984-89 ... Sister, Kendall is a junior on the team ... Plans to major in human development and family studies.

QUOTING COACH ROSE » "What I like about Lainy is that she led her high school to a state championship from the setting position, but I've also seen her play club ball at the libero position and I know that she's also previously played at outside hitter. She has a full array of various skills and an understanding of the different positions so hopefully we can find the spot where she can give us the best chance for success."



NIA
REED
FRESHMAN | OH
FORT LEE, N.J.

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Has not played in any matches this season.

HIGH SCHOOL » A four-year starter at Immaculate Heart Academy ... Led her team to four consecutive non-public state championship titles, picking up Bergen Record Player of the Year honors in 2012 and 2013 and Star Ledger Player of the Year honors in 2011, 2012 and 2013 ... Also picked up Big North Conference All-State honors from 2010-2013 ... In addition to playing with her club team, "Digs," she also played on the USAV Girls' Youth A2 Team in 2012, serving as an alternate on the national team in 2013 ... Selected as a 2013-14 Under Armour First Team All-American ... Earned New Jersey Volleyball Gatorade Player of the Year honors in 2011, 2012 and 2013.

PERSONAL » Born Nia Kai Reed on June 27, 1996 in Cleveland, Ohio ... Parents are JoMoree and William ... Has one older brother and five younger sisters ... Undecided on a major.

QUOTING COACH ROSE » "Nia is athletically off the charts in some areas. She touches close to 11 feet and she is naturally strong and so much of her ability to perform at this level will be based on how she transitions to playing with better players, the speed of the college game and higher expectations."



THELEN

FRESHMAN | MB EDGEWOOD, KY.

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Made her collegiate debut against Iona (8/30), tallying six kills on .364 hitting, adding three blocks ... Notched two kills and two blocks against William & Mary (8/30) ... Highlighted the Villanova Classic with one kill against American (9/12).

HIGH SCHOOL » A four-year letter winner at Notre Dame Academy ... A two-time Best Offensive Player selection ... Earned Class AAA All-State accolades in 2013, while also picking up All-State honors by the Kentucky Volleyball Coaches Association in 2013 ... Earned all-tournament team honors at AAU Nationals in 2012 and 2013 with her club team, Tri-State Elite, garnering AAU All-America honors in 2011 ... Selected as a 2013-14 Under Armour Honorable Mention All-American.

PERSONAL » Born Heidi Ellen Thelen on Sept. 5, 1996 ... Parents are Ashley and Jon ... Has two brothers, Jake (21) and Nick (13) and two sisters, Hannah (18) and Grace (15) ... Undecided on a major.

QUOTING COACH ROSE » "Heidi is a player who we have had in camp for a number of years. She's played most of her game as a middle. I think her strength is her blocking and I know she plays hard and has a very even keel emotionally on the floor."

2014 MATCH-BY-MATCH

OPP.	K	Ε	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	TB	
Iona	6	2	11	.364	0	0	5	2	
William & Mary	2	0	2	1.00	0	0	0	2	
American	1	0	3	.333	0	0	0	0	
Villanova	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	
Eastern Illinois	1	0	5	.200	0	0	0	1	



HALEIGH WASHINGTON

FRESHMAN | MB COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO.

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Made her collegiate debut against Yale (9/12), posting six kills on .545 hitting with zero attack errors ... Had five kills on eight errorless swings against DePaul (9/19) ... Hit .700 with seven kills on 10 swings against UIC (9/20).

HIGH SCHOOL » Holds a Colorado state record after putting down 48 kills in a match with her high school team, Doherty ... Earned 2012 Colorado Volleyball Player of the Year honors as well as team MVP accolades in 2012 and 2013 as the Rockets' team captain for two consecutive season ... Also guided Doherty to a state championship title in 2012 ... Two-time Colorado Gatorade Player of the Year from 2012-13 ... Earned Class 5A First Team All-Conference and First Team All-State honors from 2010-13 ... Also earned Class 5A MVP honors ... A 2013-14 Under Armour First Team All-American ... 2013 Mizuno First Team All-American ... 2013 Volleyball Magazine Player of the Year.

PERSONAL » Born Haleigh Meridian Washington on Sept. 22, 1995 in

Denver, Colo. ... Parents are Danielle and Alecs ... Has one brother, Kaden (15) and one sister, Leilani (13) ... Plans to major in communications.

QUOTING COACH ROSE » "Haleigh has a great vibrant personality and she will be able to hit some great balls as a freshman and also learn how good college blocking is. She will be able to help us in a number of ways and laughing will be one of them."

2014 MATCH-BY-MATCH

OPP.	K	Ε	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	TB	
Yale	6	0	11	.545	0	0	0	1	
DePaul	5	0	8	.625	0	0	1	1	
UIC	7	0	10	.700	0	0	0	0	
East Carolina	7	3	12	.333	0	0	1	2	



2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Has not played in any matches this season.

HIGH SCHOOL » Three-year captain and three-time team MVP at Boylan Catholic ... Earned All-State honorable mention honors in both her sophomore and junior seasons, achieving NIC 10 All-Conference MVP honors in her sophomore, junior and season seasons ... Helped guide her club team, Club Fusion, to two AAU championships as the squad's setter ... 2013-14 Under Armour First Team All-American ... 2013 Mizuno Honorable Mention All-American.

PERSONAL » Born Bryanna Mailao'kalani Weiskircher on May 25, 1996 in Rockford, III. ... Parents are Renita and Philip ... Has two brothers, Torey (24) and Trevor (19) and one sister, Natalie (27) ... Plans to major in forensic science.

QUOTING ROSE ROSE » "Bryanna is a confident, trained setter who does some things really well. I know she will have a bright career at Penn State, she has great hands good control of the ball and she's been setting for a long time."