

SEVEN-TIME NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

34 NCAA TOURNAMENT APPEARANCES I 16 BIG TEN TITLES

2015 SCHEDULE & RECORD

Overall: 17-2 (Home: 10-1, Away: 3-1, Neutral: 4-0) **Big Ten:** 6-2 (Home: 5-1, Away: 1-1)

AUGUST

Penn State Classic			
28	vs. BUFFALO	W, 3-0	
29	vs. STONY BROOK	W, 3-0	
29	vs. VILLANOVA	W, 3-0	

SEPTEMBER

RIB	Big Ten/Pac-12 Challenge			
4	vs. No. 21 COLORADO#	W, 3-0		
<u>4</u> 5	vs. No. 2 STANFORD	W, 3-0		
Gold	en Dome Invitational			
11	vs. Eastern Kentucky	W, 3-0		
12	vs. Mississippi State	W, 3-0		
12	at Notre Dame	W, 3-0		
South Florida Invitational				
18	vs. Auburn	W, 3-0		
19	vs. St. John's	W, 3-0		
19	at South Florida	W, 3-0		
23	vs. No. 16 WISCONSIN*#	W, 3-0		
26	vs. No. 21 MINNESOTA*	W, 3-2		

OCTOBER

2	vs. NEBRASKA*#	L, 3-2
2 3 9	vs. IOWA*	W, 3-0
	at Illinois*#	W, 3-1
10	at Northwestern*	L, 3-2
16	vs. INDIANA*	W, 3-0
17	vs. PURDUE*	W, 3-0
21	at Michigan*#	7 p.m.
24	at Michigan State*	8 p.m.
28	at Ohio State*#	5 p.m.
30	vs. OHIO STATE*	7 p.m.

NOVEMBER

5	at Maryland*	7 p.m.
6	at Rutgers*	7 p.m.
11	at lowa*	8 p.m.
14	at Minnesota*	8 p.m.
18	vs. MICHIGAN*	7 p.m.
21	vs. MARYLAND*	7 p.m.
25	vs. NORTHWESTERN*	7 p.m.
28	at Nebraska*	8 p.m.

DECEMBER

4-0	NOAA FIISI/ Second Re	Julius I	DA
11-12	NCAA Regionals		
	(Austin, Des Moines, L	exington, San Diego	o)
17-19	NCAA Championship	Omaha, N	eb.

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 •

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WEEK 9: A MIDWEEK MATCHUP AT MICHIGAN

Wednesday, Oct. 21, 2015 | Ann Arbor, Mich. (Cliff Keen Arena)

NO. 5 PENN STATE (17-2)



NO. 23 MICHIGAN (15-4)

NITTANY LIONS **Record:** 17-2 **Big Ten:** 6-2 AVCA Poll Rank: #5 Head coach: Russ Rose

TV: BTN Mike Wolf, Liz Tortorello-Nelson Radio: GoPSUNow Live Stats: GoPSUSports.com Twitter: @PennStateVBALL Overall Record/Yrs: 1,178-183/37 Twitter: @PennStateVBALL All-Time Series: PSU leads 46-3 Last Outing/Result: 11-19-14/PSU, 3-0

GAME DAY DETAILS

WOLVERINE **BREAKDOWN** Record: 15-4 **Big Ten:** 5-3 AVCA Poll Rank: #23 Head coach: Mark Rosen

FIRST SERVE

- » Fifth-ranked Penn State women's volleyball hits the road for its second Big Ten conference road trip of the season. The Nittany Lions travel to No. 23 Michigan to take on the Wolverines in a midweek matchup set for Wednesday, Oct. 21 at 7 p.m. in Cliff Keen Arena.
- » The matchup will broadcast live on the Big Ten Network with Mike Wolf and Liz Tortorello Nelson on the call.
- » The Nittany Lions have won their 23 consecutive matches against Michigan, dating back to Sept. 27, 2013. Penn State also captured a 3-0 win on the road in Ann Arbor in the most recent meeting between the two teams Nov. 19, 2014
- » Penn State swept its Big Ten competition this past weekend, defeating Indiana in three set s on Friday before taking down No. 18 Purdue, 3-0 on Saturday evening at Rec Hall.
- » The Nittany Lions moved to 6-1 this year against teams ranked within the Top 25 of the AVCA Coaches' Poll after sweeping the Boilermakers. The tilt at No. 23 Michigan marks Penn State's sixth meeting against a top 25 opponent in its last nine matches.
- » Penn State has earned 15 of its 17 victories this year by way of a 3-0 sweep, while also limiting its opponents to a .135 hitting percentage. The mark ranks fifth nationally and leads
- » Averaging 3.19 blocks per set on the year, Penn State has commanded a 204.0 101.5 advantage in the blocking margin against its opponents in 2015. The average ranks fifth nationally and leads the Big Ten. Individually, sophomore Haleigh Washington's 1.58 blocks per set ranks ninth nationally and second in the Big Ten.
- » Penn State's .290 hitting clip ranks sixth in the NCAA national standings and leads the Big Ten. Helped out by Haleigh Washington's team-high .450 hitting clip, her efficiency ranks third nationally and leads the Big Ten.
- » Sophomore Simone Lee has stepped up as an offensive contributor for the Nittany Lions, since entering the starting lineup against Nebraska Oct. 2. Since then, she's made starts in each of the last six matches. Lee's led the team in kills the last three straight matches, posting double figure kills in all three outings to average 3.27 kills per set within the span.
- » Veterans senior Megan Courtney and redshirt senior Aiyana Whitney are also among the group of top Nittany Lion attackers with 189 and 191 kills, respectively. Averaging 3.26 kills per set, Courtney has had double-doubles (kills/digs) in each of the last six matches she's played in. Whitney's averaging 2.98 kills per set with double digit kills in seven of the last 10 matches.
- » With 19 digs in the victory at Illinois, senior Megan Courtney surpassed the 1,000 career digs mark (1,038). Having already reached the 1,000 career kills plateau, Courtney is just the eighth Nittany Lion in program history to reach the 1,000 career kills/1,000 career digs milestone and the first since Deia McClendon in 2013.
- » In the win against St. John's, Haleigh Washington led a group of five multi-block performers with a career-high 11 total blocks. Her tally is the second highest single-match total in a 3-set match in Penn State program history.
- » Senior Kendall Pierce has been selected as a candidate for the 2015 Senior CLASS Award. Pierce is one of 30 women's volleyball student-athletes to be named a candidate, along with one other from the Big Ten conference. The Senior CLASS Award focuses on the total student-athlete and encourages students to use their platform in athletics to make a positive impact as leaders in their communities.
- » Penn State remained solid at No. 5 in the AVCA Top 25 Coaches' Poll for the second straight week. Prior to the move, Penn State was ranked No. 3, having spent the first six straight weeks of the season atop the standings at No. 1..
- » Including Penn State, more than half of the Big Ten teams in the conference are featured in this week's AVCA Top 25 poll, including a season-high eight in the top 25 for the fifth week.





PENN STATE AT A GLANCE 2015 ROSTER No. Name Pos. Ht. Yr. SP K/S % A/S SA/S D/S B/S THE UNIVERSITY 2 Lara Caraway DS 5-4 Sr. 16 0.00 .000 0.00 0.00 1.12 0.00 Location: University Park, Pa. 16802 5-5 3 **Kendall Pierce** DS Sr. 52 0.00 -.500 0.13 0.12 1.12 0.00 Founded:......1855 4 Wilma Rivera S 5-8 Fr. 0.00 .000 0.88 0.21 1.17 0.00 5 Ali Frantti ОН 6-2 So. 64 2.56 .234 0.05 1.80 0.17 0.36 Colors: Blue & White 6 Nia Reed OH 6-2 RS-Fr. 10 1.20 .167 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.30 Nickname:......Nittany Lions 8 Lainy Pierce DS 5-6 So. 17 0.00 .000 0.00 0.06 0.29 0.00 Conference:Big Ten 0.00 0.18 0.73 0.00 10 Carley Muller DS 5-8 So. 11 .000 0.09 President:Dr. Eric Barron 6-2 0 0.00 .000 000 11 Tori Gorrell MB Fr. 0.00 0.00 0.00 Director of Athletics:.....Sandy Barbour 63 DS 5-6 0.00 .000 0.06 3.49 12 Keeton Holcomb Fr. 0.62 0.00 Assoc. AD/SWA:.....Charmelle Green 0.17 13 **Taylor Krause** DS 5-5 Jr. 41 0.00 .000 0.10 1.05 0.00 Facility (capacity):.....Rec Hall (5,812) 64 14 Aiyana Whitney OH 6-3 RS-Sr. 2.98 .320 0.03 0.00 0.39 0.95 0.03 15 Haleigh Washington 64 2.66 .450 0.25 0.55 MR 6-3 So. 1.58 **WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL STAFF** RS 6-2 Fr. 0 0.00 .000 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 Jelena Novaković Head Coach: Russ Rose (37th season) 17 Megan Courtney ОН 6-1 Sr. 58 3.26 .258 0.50 0.12 3.50 1.00 Alma Mater:George Williams, 1975 6-2 So. 47 .250 0.19 19 Heidi Thelen MB 0.62 0.17 0.00 1.09 Overall Record (Yrs/Pct): 1,161-180 (36/.866) 6-0 RS-Fr. 0.47 .198 10.45 2.28 0.64 Bryanna Weiskircher S 64 0.33 School Record:same ОН 6-0 39 1.74 .258 0.03 0.03 0.26 Simone Lee So. 0.49Associate Head Coach:Salima Rockwell Laura Broerman DS 5-3 So. 0 0.00 .000 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 Assistant Coach:.....Stevie Mussie Director of Operations:.....Jesse Tupac **PENN STATE** 64 13.33 .290 12.41 1.14 14.42 3.19 **OPPONENTS** 64 11.36 .135 10.77 0.78 13.48 1.59 Volunteer Assistant Shawn Sangrey Office Phone:(814) 863-7474 **Head Coach:** Russ Rose (George Williams, 1975), 37th year Office Fax: (814) 865-1746 Salima Rockwell (Penn State, 1994) **Associate Head Coach: Assistant Coach:** Stevie Mussie (Washington, 2008) Office Address:235 Rec Hall **Director of Operations:** Jesse Tupac (UCLA) **Volunteer Assistant:** Shawn Sangrey (Ohio State) **2014 IN REVIEW** 2014 Record:......36-3 **ALPHABETICAL** No. Name Yr. Pos. Ht. Hometown/High School (College) 24 Laura Broerman Jr. DS 5-3 Colorado Springs, Colo./St. Mary's Neutral: 8-0 2 Lara Caraway Sr. DS 5-4 Evans City, Pa./Home Schooled Big Ten record (finish):18-2 (2nd) 17 Megan Courtney Sr. OH 6-1 Dayton, Ohio/Archbishop Alter Final AVCA Ranking: No. 1 5 Ali Frantti So. ОН 6-2 Spring Grove, III./Richmond Burton Postseason:NCAA national champions Fr. 6-2 11 Tori Gorrell MB Oakville, Ontario/Abbey Park First round:defeated Siena, 3-0 Keeton Holcomb Fr. DS 5-6 Belville, Texas/Belville Second round:defeated Dayton, 3-0 DS Allentown, Pa./Parkland High 13 **Taylor Krause** Jr. 5-5 Regional semifinal:..... defeated UCLA, 3-0 22 ОН 6-0 Simone Lee So Menomonee Falls, Wis./Menomonee Regional final:..... defeated Wisconsin, 3-1 10 DS 5-8 Carley Muller Ir Manhattan Beach, Calif./Mira Costa National semifinal: defeated Stanford, 3-1 16 Jelena Novaković Fr. RS 6-2 Belgrade, Serbia/Tourism High School National final:defeated BYU, 3-0 5-5 3 **Kendall Pierce** Sr. DS Eden, N.Y./Eden 8 Lainy Pierce So. DS 5-6 Eden. N.Y./Eden **NITTANY LION HISTORY** 6 Nia Reed RS-Fr. ОН 6-2 Fort Lee, N.J./Immaculate Heart Academy 4 Wilma Rivera Fr. S 5-8 Carolina, Puerto Rico/Saint Francis School All-Time Record (Years): 1,212-223-4 (39) 19 Heidi Thelen So. MB 6-2 Edgewood, Ky./Notre Dame Academy All-Time Big Ten Record: 425-55 So. 6-3 Colorado Springs, Colo./Doherty High School 15 Haleigh Washington MB Years/Win Pct.:....24/.885 Bryanna Weiskircher RS-Fr. S 6-0 Loves Park, III./Boylan Catholic Aiyana Whitney RS-Sr. OH 6-3 Norwood, N.J./Northern Valley Regional ('92, '93, '96, '97, '98, '99, '03, '04, '05, '06, '07, '08, '09, '10, '12, '13) **PRONUNCIATIONS** NCAA Tournament Appearances: 34 AiyanaI-YAH-nuh Broerman Bro-er-man Jelena.....Yell-AYE-nuh MullerMULL-ler NCAA Tournament Record:90-27 Thelen...... Th-EE-len Novaković......Nova-CO-vick NCAA National Championships:7 Keeton..... KEY-ton Frantti Fran-TEE (1999, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2013, 2014)

Holcomb...... HOLE-comb

Lara.....Lar-uh

Bryanna.....Bree-yah-nuh

Weiskircher Weis-KIR-Ch-er

AROUND THE BIG TEN

2015 PRESEASON BIG TEN POLL

1. PENN STATE

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

2015 BIG TEN STANDINGS

	Overall		Big Ten	
Team	Record	Pct.	Record	Pct.
Ohio State	18-2	.900	7-1	.875
Nebraska	16-2	.889	7-1	.875
Minnesota	15-3	.833	7-1	.875
PENN STATE	17-2	.895	6-2	.750
Purdue	15-4	.789	6-2	.750
Michigan	15-4	.789	5-3	.625
Michigan State	13-6	.684	5-3	.625
Wisconsin	12-6	.667	4-4	.500
Northwestern	12-7	.632	4-4	.500
Illinois	12-7	.632	3-5	.375
Indiana	12-8	.600	2-6	.250
Iowa	10-11	.476	0-8	.000
Maryland	10-12	.455	0-8	.000
Rutgers	3-17	.150	0-8	.000

ALL-TIME RECORDS vs. 2015 OPPONENTS

NON-CONFERENCE

Team	W-L	<u>Last</u>
Buffalo	4-0	PSU, 3-0 (8/28/15)
Stony Brook	1-0	PSU, 3-0 (8/29/15)
Villanova	15-0	PSU, 3-0 (8/29/15)
Colorado	6-1	PSU, 3-0 (9/4/15)
Stanford	10-8	PSU, 3-0 (9/5/15)
Eastern Kentucky	7-1	PSU, 3-0 (9/11/15)
Mississippi State	1-0	PSU, 3-0 (9/12/15)
Notre Dame	9-1	PSU, 3-0 (9/12/15)
Auburn	1-0	PSU, 3-0 (9/18/15)
St. John's	3-0	PSU, 3-0 (9/19/15)
South Florida	3-0	PSU, 2-0 (9/19/15)

BIG TEN

W-L	Last
46-7	PSU, 3-0 (9/23/15)
45-8	PSU, 3-2 (9/26/15)
10-15	NEB, 3-2 (10/2/15)
48-0	PSU, 3-0 (10/3/15)
42-10	PSU, 3-1 (10/9/15)
48-9	NU, 3-2 (10/10/15)
52-6	PSU, 3-0 (10/16/15)
49-1	PSU, 3-0 (10/17/15)
46-3	PSU, 3-0 (11/19/14)
40-7	PSU, 3-0 (10/25/14)
44-14	PSU, 3-0 (11/27/14)
26-9	PSU, 3-0 (11/7/14)
20-5	PSU, 3-0 (11/22/14)
	46-7 45-8 10-15 48-0 42-10 48-9 52-6 49-1 46-3 40-7 44-14 26-9

FOLLOW THE "LEE-DER"

Sophomore Simone Lee has stepped up as an offensive contributor for the Nittany Lions, since entering the Penn State lineup against Nebraska Oct. 2. Since then, she's made starts in each of the last six matches. Lee's led the team in kills in each of the last three matches, posting double figure kills in all three outings. She opened the streak with a career-high 14 kills at Northwestern before powering the Penn State offense with 10 and 12 kills against Indiana and Purdue, respectively. In the last three matches, Lee's averaging 3.27 kills per set on .351 hitting.

WEEK 9: AVCA TOP 25 COACHES' POLL UPDATE

Penn State remained solid at No. 5 in the AVCA Top 25 Coaches' Poll for the second straight week. Prior to the move, Penn State was ranked No. 3, having spent the first six straight weeks of the season atop the standings at No. 1. Including PSU, this week's poll features more than half of the Big Ten conference teams with eight teams in the top 25. Michigan State is also receiving votes.

BIG TEN PLAYER OF THE WEEK ... AGAIN.

After helping Penn State to a pair of wins in its first week of Big Ten conference play, sophomore Haleigh Washington earned Big Ten Player of the Week honor, splitting the award with Northwestern's Maddie Slater. The award marks Washington's second consecutive Big Ten Player of the Week honor, as well as her third overall this season. In total, Washington's now garnered six career Big Ten Weekly awards. Washington helped the No. 1 Nittany Lions to wins against two Top 25 opponents with back-to-back double digit kill performances, posting a team-high .488 hitting percentage during the week. She opened the week with 11 kills on 14 perfect swings for a .786 hitting efficiency in a straight set victory against No. 16 Wisconsin. Washington then tallied 13 kills in a five-set victory against No. 21 Minnesota. She also led the PSU blocking unit, averaging 1.25 blocks per set in the undefeated week.

WASHINGTON EARNS BIG TEN PLAYER OF THE WEEK HONORS

Following a 3-0 weekend on the road at the USF Invitational, sophomore Haleigh Washington earned Big Ten Player of the Week honors. The award is Washington's second Big Ten Player of the Week award this season, as well as her fifth-career Big Ten Weekly honor. Washington led the team with a .735 hitting percentage in an undefeated weekend on the road that featured wins against Auburn, St. John's and South Florida. Finishing second on the team with 27 kills, she highlighted the weekend with a pair of double figure kill performances. She also led the blocking unit with 1.56 blocks per week.

PENN STATE EARNS USF INVITATIONAL ALL-TOURNAMENT NODS

Sophomore Haleigh Washington earned USF Invitational All-Tournament team honors. Redshirt senior Aiyana Whitney and redshirt freshman Bryanna Weiskircher joined her on the All-Tournament team. In addition to back-to-back double figure kill performances, Washington also logged her first double digit dig performance of the season with a career-high 11 total blocks. Her 11 blocks in the win against St. John's is the second highest single match total in a 3-set match in Penn State program history.

NITTANY LIONS ON THE GOLDEN DOME INVITE ALL-TOURNEY TEAM

Senior Megan Courtney highlighted a Nittany Lion trio that earned Golden Dome Invitational All-Tournament team honors. Courtney was tabbed the tournament's Most Outstanding Player, while redshirt freshman Bryanna Weiskircher and sophomore Ali Frantti each earned All-Tournament team honors. Courtney closed out the weekend with her third double-double of the season at Notre Dame. She finished tied for second on the team with 14 kills, adding 15 digs against the Fighting Irish. Frantti had back-to-back double figure kill performances in the same day, leading the offense with 11 kills against Mississippi State before tying for first on the squad with 14 kills against Notre Dame. Weiskircher paced the team to a .355 team hitting percentage during the week, including a .361 hitting clip against Eastern Kentucky. Against Mississippi State, sh logged a career-high five total blocks.

KENDALL'S GOT CLASS

Senior Kendall Pierce has been selected as a candidate for the 2015 Senior CLASS Award. Pierce is one of 30 women's volleyball student-athletes to be named a candidate, along with one other from the Big Ten conference. The Senior CLASS Award focuses on the total student-athlete and encourages students to use their platform in athletics to make a positive impact as leaders in their communities. A health policy and administration major, she was honored as a 2014-15 Big Ten Distinguished scholar. Pierce also earned back-to-back Academic All-Big Ten selections from 2013-14. [Academic and community service info on pg. 12]

WASHINGTON NAMED CO-BIG TEN PLAYER OF THE WEEK

After helping top-ranked Penn State women's volleyball to a pair of wins against nationally ranked opponents, sophomore Haleigh Washington earned Big Ten Co-Player of the Week honors. Washington shares the honor with Ohio State's Taylor Sandbothe. Washington led the team with 3.33 kills per set on .515 hitting in a 2-0 week that featured straight set wins against No. 21 Colorado and No. 2 Stanford.

AVCA TOP 25 COACHES' POLL

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NO.	SCHOOL	PTS.	REC.	<u>LW</u>
1	USC (64)	1600	20-0	1
2	Texas	1528	16-1	2
3	Nebraska	1454	16-2	3
4	Washington	1418	17-1	4
5	PENN STATE	1322	17-2	5
6	Ohio State	1243	18-2	7
7	Kansas	1176	18-0	9
8	Hawai'i	1161	18-1	8
9	Minnesota	1076	15-3	11
10	UCLA	1027	15-3	12
11	Stanford	976	11-5	6
12	BYU	892	17-2	13
13	Arizona State	769	15-4	10
14	Arizona	669	13-7	14
15	Florida	649	13-4	17
16	Wisconsin	606	12-6	15
17	Florida State	602	15-4	18
18	Illinois	553	12-7	16
19	Purdue	454	15-4	18
20	Colorado State	434	15-3	21
21	Kentucky	383	13-6	20
22	Western Kentucky	244	21-2	22
23	Michigan	184	15-4	23
24	Louisville	119	14-4	25
25	Oregon	58	10-7	24

RECEIVING VOTES: San Diego 37; Ohio 28; *Colorado* 24; SMU 24; Long Beach State 17; *Michigan State* 15; Creighton 14; Arkansas State 12; North Carolina 12; Missouri 10; Santa Clara 3; Arkansas 2

PENN STATE PRESENCE IN THE COACHES' POLL

Preseason Aug. 12: #1

Aug. 31: #1

Sept. 7: #1

Sept. 14: #1 (unanimous)

Sept. 21: # 1 (unanimous)

Sept. 28: #1

Oct. 5 #3

Oct. 12: #5

Oct. 19: #5

20-KILL & 20-DIG PERFORMANCES

MEGAN COURNTEY

<u>KILLS</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	DATE
22	#21 Minnesota	9/26/2015
23	#1 Stanford	12/13/2014
21	Northwestern	11/22/2013

TOTAL: 3 career, last vs. No. 21 Minnesota (9/26/15)

DIGS	<u>OPPONENT</u>	DATE
23	Northwestern	10/10/2015
22	#4 Nebraska	10/2/2015
22	Minnesota	10/9/2013
20	Wisconsin	12/21/2013

TOTAL: 4 career, last vs. Northwestern (10/10/15)

KEETON HOLCOMB

<u>DIGS</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	DATE
23	#4 Nebraska	10/2/2015
20	Mississippi State	9/12/2015
20	Notre Dame	9/12/2015

TOTAL: 3 career, last vs. No. 4 Nebraska (10/2/15)

WELCOME TO THE BLOCK PARTY

Penn State's commanded the advantage in the blocking margin against its opponents this year. To date, Penn State has out-blocked its opponents 204.0 - 101.5, averaging 3.19 blocks per set, which ranks third nationally and leads the conference. Individually, sophomore Haleigh Washington's 1.58 blocks per set ranks ninth nationally and second in the Big Ten. Sophomore Heidi Thelen's 1.09 blocks per set ranks second on the team and 14th in the league.

Penn State has out-blocked its opponent in 17 matches this season, out-blocking each of those teams by an average of at least six blocks. The Nittany Lions tied Stanford in the blocking margin (7.0-7.0) and have been out-blocked just once this season by Minnesota (11.0-13.0).

DEFENSIVELY SPEAKING

Penn State has limited its opponents to .135 hitting this season, which ranks first in the Big Ten standings and fifth nationally. PSU has held nine opponents to .097 or lower hitting efficiency and five between .135-.196. Only Stanford (.267) and lowa (.283) have hit .250 or better against the Nittany Lions. Penn State has only been out-hit by a team three times this season, in matches against Minnesota (.198/.216), Nebraska (.164/.173) and at Northwestern (.193/.211). Despite getting out-hit by the Golden Gophers, PSU outlasted Minnesota in five sets to claim a close 3-2 win.

HERE COME THE BROOMS

Penn State has earned 15 of its 17 victories this season by way of a 3-0 sweep. Penn State has also limited Eastern Kentucky, Mississippi State and St. John's to less than 45 total points in a single match, holding the Colonels to a season-low 41 total points. The Red Storm had 43 and Bulldogs had just 42.

THE MORE THE MERRIER

Redshirt freshman setter Bryanna Weiskircher has directed the Nittany Lions to a .290 hitting percentage, which ranks sixth nationally and leads the Big Ten. Weiskircher has also paced four of her top attackers to .258 or better hitting, led by sophomore Haleigh Washington's .450 hitting clip, which ranks third nationally and leads the Big Ten conference.

Redshirt senior Aiyana Whitney's .320 hitting percentage is second on the team and 13th in the conference, while senior Megan Courtney and sophomore Simone Lee's .258 clips are tied for fourth on the team. Averaging 3.26 kills per set, Courtney has had double-doubles (kills/digs) in each of the last six matches she's played. Whitney's averaging 2.98 kills per set with double digit kills in seven of the last 10 matches.

WINNING TRADITION IN REC HALL

Including a 10-1 mark in 2015, Penn State owns a 574-32 (.947) all-time record at home in Rec Hall. After last week's home victories, Penn State is 262-18 all-time in conference matches on the court at Rec Hall. Only Ohio State has defeated the Nittany Lions on their home court more than three times, having topped PSU five times. Illinois, Minnesota, Michigan State and Nebraska are the only four teams to beat PSU at home more than once.

COURTNEY REACHES CAREER MILESTONE

Against Iowa, senior Megan Courtney's 12 kills lifted her to the 1,000 career kills milestone. With 19 digs at Illinois, she surpassed the 1,000 career digs mark (1,038). Achieving the mark, Courtney is just the eighth Nittany Lion in program history to reach the 1,000 career kills/1,000 career digs milestone and the first since Deja McClendon in 2013.

Penn State All-Time 1,000 kill/1,000 Nittany Lions

8.	1,036/1,038	Megan Courtney, 2012-Pres.*
7.	1,136/1,153	Carrie Shonveld, 1996-99
6.	1,234/1,167	Vida Kernich, 1983-86
5.	1,245/1,278	Laura Cook, 1994-97
4.	1,438/1,522	Noelle Zientara, 1987-90
3.	1,631/1,176	Deja McClendon, 2010-13*
2.	1,842/1,005	Terri Zemaitis, 1994-97
1.	2,142/1,150	Megan Hodge, 2006-09*
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^{*} indicates rally scoring era

A GREAT WEEKEND AT THE GOLDEN DOME INVITATIONAL

Freshman libero Keeton Holcomb had a career-high weekend at the Golden Dome Invitational. Holcomb averaged 5.33 digs per set during the weekend that featured three consecutive 3-0 wins. She highlighted the weekend with back-to-back 20-dig performances in the same day against both Mississippi State and Notre Dame. On the year, Holcomb's leading the team with 3.50 digs per set, which ranks 11th in the Big Ten standings.

^{*2015} opponents in italics

CAREER COUNTDOWN!

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MILESTONE	<u>NAME</u>	# TO GO
300 kills	Simone Lee	97
400 kills	Haleigh Washington	22
600 kills	Ali Frantti	45
800 kills	Aiyana Whitney	82
1,100 kills	Megan Courtney	64

BLOCKS

MILESTONE	<u>NAME</u>	# TO GO
200 blocks	Aiyana Whitney	4
	Haleigh Washington	3
400 blocks	Megan Courtney	60

DIGS

MILESTONE	<u>NAME</u>	# TO GO
100 digs	Aiyana Whitney	11
	Lainy Pierce	76
200 digs	Kendall Pierce	67
300 digs	Ali Frantti	26
	Keeton Holcomb	80
1,100 digs	Megan Courtney	62

CAREER RECORD BOOK WATCH

KILLS PER SET

#	RECORD	NAME
10.	3.37	Laura Cook, 1991-94
11.	3.33	Ashley Pederson, 2001-04
12.	3.31	Leanne Kling, 1989-92
13.	3.30	Deja McClendon, 2010-13
14.	3.08	JoAnn Elwell, 1987-90
15 .	2.98	Ali Frantti, 2014-Pres.
16.	2.97	Marcia Leap, 1982-85
17.	2.96	Noelle Zientara, 1987-90

HITTING PERCENTAGE

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#	RECORD	NAME
1.	.468	Arielle Wilson, 2007-10
2.	.457	Haleigh Washington, 2014-Pres.
3.	.433	Christa Harmotto, 2005-08
4.	.412	Melissa Walbridge, 2004-07
5.	.405	Katie Slay, 2010-13
6.	.391	Lauren Cacciamani, 1996-99
7.	.386	Lori Barberich, 1981-84
8.	.385	JoAnn Elwell, 1987-90
9.	.381	Nia Grant, 2011-14
10.	.372	Blair Brown, 2007-10
11.	.367	Cara Smith, 2000-03
12.	.350	Blair Brown, 2007-10
13.	.340	Cassy Salyer, 2003-06
14.	.336	Alisha Glass, 2006-09
15.	.326	Nicole Fawcett, 2005-08
16.	.325	Noelle Zientara, 1987-90
17.	.324	Elizabeth Ramirez, 1986-89
18.	.321	Leanne Kling, 1989-92
19.	.319	Megan Hodge, 2006-09
20.	.310	Aiyana Whitney, 2011-Pres.

WE'LL TAKE THE FIRST ONE

Penn State is 18-1 on the year when winning the first set. The Nittany Lions have only surrendered the first set once this season, dropping a 25-18 decision on the road at Northwestern before an eventual 3-2 loss.

WASHINGTON BLOCKING HER WAY INTO THE RECORD BOOK

In Penn State's 3-0 win against St. John's, sophomore Haleigh Washington led a group of five multi-block performers with a career-high 11 total blocks. Her tally is the second highest single-match total in a 3-set match in Penn State program history.

BIG TEN/PAC-12 CHALLENGE ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM

With a pair of multi-block performances and a team-high hitting clip against No. 2 Stanford, sophomore Haleigh Washington earned Big Ten/Pac-12 Challenge All-Tournament team honors. Washington led the team eight kills against No. 21 Colorado before logging 12 kills on .526 efficiency against the Cardinal. Redshirt senior Aiyana Whitney and senior Megan Courtney joined her on the All-Tournament team. Whitney finished tied for first on the team with 13 kills on .440 hitting against Stanford. Courtney had a team-high 12 digs against No. 21 Colorado before registering a double-double against Stanford with 11 kills and 13 digs.

STREAKING!

Penn State holds the four of the top five winning streaks in Big Ten history. Penn State's most recent record-setting 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. Penn State's 33-match winning streak, dating back to Oct. 17, 2014 was snapped three weeks ago in a 3-2 loss to fourth-ranked Nebraska.

TOP FIVE BIG TEN WINNING 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)

33 - Penn State (10/17/14 - 10/2/15)

- snapped vs. Nebraska (10/2/15)

THREE EARN PENN STATE CLASSIC ALL-TOURNAMENT HONORS

Following back-to-back double-digit kill performances in the same day, senior Megan Courtney earned Penn State Classic Most Outstanding Player honors. Redshirt senior Aiyana Whitney and sophomore Ali Frantti each earned spots on the All-Tournament team.

Courtney led the team with 11 kills on .647 hitting against Stony Brook before returning later in the evening to lead the team with a double-double (16 kills, 13 digs) against Villanova. Whitney finished the week ranked second on the team with 3.44 kills per set, having posted 11 kills on .400 hitting vs. Buffalo and 14 kills on 429 hitting against Villanova. Frantti was third on the team with 2.44 kills per set last week and third with 2.33 digs per set. She had 10 kills against Stony Brook and a career-high 12 digs against Villanova.

PENN STATE TOPS AVCA PRESEASON POLL RANKINGS

Penn State women's volleyball earned the No. 1 overall ranking in the 2015 AVCA Preseason Coaches' Poll for the second consecutive season. Penn State is among six Big Ten schools to be ranked within the AVCA Top 25 and one of four conference programs to be voted within the top 10. Penn State received 54 of a possible 64 votes in the preseason poll.

Tied at No. 5, Nebraska and Wisconsin join the Nittany Lions in the top five, while Illinois rounds out the top 10 at No. 8. Ohio State is slated No. 14 and Michigan State is slotted No. 19. Purdue, Minnesota and Michigan also represent the league in the poll, as all three are receiving votes. Since 2007, Penn State has been ranked within the top three of every AVCA preseason poll, having also been voted No. 1 a total of six times (2008-11, 2014-15).

WHITNEY JOINS BIG TEN FOREIGN TOUR

Redshirt senior Aiyana Whitney joined the inaugural Big Ten Women's Volleyball Foreign Tour this summer. For the first time in conference history, Big Ten volleyball student-athletes from all 14 schools traveled overseas to both compete, and participate in community services initiatives. Whitney and the Big Ten Volleyball Foreign Tour Team traveled to Slovenia, Croatia and Italy this summer, opening the trip in Maribor, Slovenia. Northwestern's Keylor Chan served as the team's head coach.

SCOUTING THE OPPONENT

PENN STATE VS. MICHIGAN

Series: Penn State leads 46-3

Last Three

Date	Site	Result
11/19/2014	Α	PSU, 3-0
10/24/2014	Н	PSU, 3-0
11/1/2013	А	PSU, 3-1

By the Numbers

At Penn State	PSU, 25-0
At Michigan	PSU, 20-3
At neutral sites	PSÚ, 1-0
Current streak	PSU, W23

Tale of the Tape

Stat	MICH
K/S	
Hitting %	236
B/S	
SA/S	0.70
	Hitting % D/S

KEY MATCHES FROM THE SERIES

Nov. 19, 2014 - (25-19, 25-23, 27-25) PSU 3, UM 0 - Ann Arbor, Mich. - Cliff Keen Arena

Behind a pair of double digit kill performances, then-No. 4 Penn State swept Michigan on the road.

Aiyana Whitney led the offense with 12 kills, adding four blocks and two digs. Megan Courtney notched her first double-double of the season, registering 10 kills on .400 hitting, as well as 10 digs and five blocks. Ali Frantti and Haleigh Washington added eight kills apiece.

With Penn State leading the match 2-0, the Wolverines came out battling point-for-point in the third set. With PSU up by five, 19-14, Michigan responded with a 10-3 run to take over a two-point lead, 24-22. A Michigan error and a kill from Whitney evened the score, 24-24, before a PSU service error handed U-M the edge, 25-24. PSU held off another attempt with a kill and block to reclaim the lead, 26-25, before a Michigan attack error wrapped up a 27-25 win to complete the sweep.

Oct. 24, 2014 - (25-18, 25-16, 25-16) PSU 3, UM 0 - University Park, Pa. - Rec Hall

A rookie duo featuring Ali Frantti and Haleigh Washington powered then-No. 7 Penn State to a straight set victory against Michigan. Frantti and Washington fueled the offense with double-digit kills. Frantti tallied 15 kills on .429 hitting, adding two digs and one block. Washington followed close behind with 10 kills on .421 hitting, while also tying for first on the team with four blocks. Megan Courtney tallied seven kills, while also leading the defensive effort with nine digs.

Nov. 1, 2013 - (16-25, 25-22, 25-20, 25-16) PSU 3, UM 1 - Ann Arbor, Mich. - Cliff Keen Arena

Then-No. 2 Penn State rallied from behind to defeat then-No. 17 Michigan in four sets on the road. Megan Courtney propelled the offense with a career-high 17 kills.

Trailing by as many as nine in the first set, 22-13, Penn State looked to spark some momentum with a 3-1 streak, led by two consecutive kills from Aiyana Whitney to make it 23-16. Two PSU attack errors handed the Wolverines a 1-0 lead in the match, as Michigan took set one, 25-16. The Nittany Lions managed to regroup and win the next three consecutive sets to win the match.

NITTANY LIONS ALL-TIME AGAINST MICHIGAN

vs. Michigan	SP-MP	K	K/S	E	TA	%	D/S	B/S	
L. Caraway	2-2	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0.50	0.00	
HIGHS: Had one dig against Michigan at home Oct. 24, 2014.									
M. Courtney	19-5	58	3.05	12	153	.301	1.95	1.32	

HIGHS: Logged 17 kills at Michigan Nov. 1, 2013 ... Hit .400 (10-0-25) at Michigan in the most recent meeting between the two teams Nov. 19, 2014 ... Posted eight blocks at Michigan in her freshman season, Oct. 20, 2012.

A. Frantti 6-2 23 3.83 5 50 .360 1.50 0.50

HIGHS: Led the team with 15 kills against Michigan on .429 hitting (15-3-28) at home Oct. 24, 2014 ... Had seven digs and two blocks in the most recent meeting between the two teams on the road at Michigan Nov. 19, 2014.

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C. Muller	1-1	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0.00	0.00
HIGHS: Has played in one set against Michigan (10/24/14).								
K. Pierce	10-4	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0.00	0.00
HIGHS: Had one ace against Michigan during the 2013 season (9/28).								
L. Pierce	4-2	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0.00	0.00
HIGHS: Had one ace against Michigan (10/24/14).								
H. Washington	6-2	18	3.00	3	29	.517	0.50	1.00

HIGHS: Finished second on the team with 10 kills against Michigan at home Oct. 24, 2014, adding four blocks, including one solo stuff ... Had eight kills on .700 hitting (8-1-10) in the most recent meeting between the two teams at Michigan Nov. 19, 2014, adding two bocks.

A. Whitney 7-3 23 3.29 6 43 .395 0.43 0.71

HIGHS: Totaled 12 kills on .318 hitting (12-5-22) in the most recent meeting between the two teams on the road at Michigan Nov. 19, 2014, adding four blocks.

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 six times between the Big Ten Network and ESPNU. All other matches will be streamed live on GoPSUsports.com or on RTN Plus

PENN STATE WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL REMAINING TV MATCHES

<u>Date</u>	Opponent	<u>Network</u>
Oct. 21	at Michigan	BTN - live
Oct. 30	at Ohio State	ESPNU - live

Penn State will also live stream every home match on BTN Plus. Each participating Big Ten school will also air the PSU remaining conference road matches available via BTN Plus.

PENN STATE ANNOUNCES LIVE AUDIO IN 2015

Beginning in 2015, Penn State fans worldwide will be able to tune into a live audio broadcast. The audio broadcast will be available exclusively on GoPSUSports.com and offered to all fans free of charge. This weekend's matches will feature current Penn State's Jack Milewski on playby-play, joined by PSU junior defensive specialist Laura Broerman.

PENN STATE IN SEASON-OPENERS

PSU improved to 32-7-1 all-time in season-openers after sweeping Buffalo in the first match of the season. The win against the Bulls marks PSU's fourth consecutive season-opening victory.

NITTANY LIONS NAMED BIG TEN PRESEASON FAVORITE

Penn State earned the No. 1 ranking in the 2015 Big Ten Preseason Coaches' Poll, marking the 10th time in the last 11 years the Nittany Lions have been picked to win the league. The Big Ten Preseason poll is selected by votes from all 14 conference head coaches.

PRESEASON ALL-BIG TEN NITTANY LIONS

Penn State is well represented on the Big Ten Preseason All-Big Ten team, with more selections than any other conference program this year. 2015 Big Ten Freshman of the Year Haleigh Washington highlights Penn State's four preseason All-Big Ten honorees as a unanimous selection. Redshirt senior Aiyana Whitney, senior Megan Courtney and sophomore Ali Frantti round out the group of honorees.

WHAT'S NEXT?

The Nittany Lions travel to Michigan State Saturday, Oct. 24 for an 8 p.m. matchup. The Nittany Lions' trip to East Lansing will be its first since 2013.

DOUBLE-DOUBLE TRACKER

MEGAN COURTNEY (20 CAREER)

- vs. Villanova, 8/29/15 (16 kills, 13 digs)
- vs. Stanford, 9/5/15 (11 kills, 13 digs)
- vs. Notre Dame, 9/12/15 (14 kills, 15 digs)
- vs. Wisconsin, 9/23/15 (10 kills, 14 digs)
- vs. Minnesota, 9/26/15 (22 kills, 13 digs)
- vs. Nebraska, 10/2/15 (16 kills, 22 digs)
- vs. lowa, 10/3/15 (12 kills, 23 digs)
- at Illinois, 10/9/15 (18 kills, 19 digs)
- at Northwestern, 10/9/15 (14 kills, 23 digs)

BRYANNA WEISKIRCHER (6 CAREER)

- at South Florida, 9/19/15 (32 assists, 15 digs)
- vs. Minnesota, 9/26/15 (54 assists, 12 digs)
- vs. Nebraska, 10/2/15 (46 assists, 11 digs)
- vs. lowa, 10/3/15 (34 assists, 10 digs)
- at Illinois, 10/9/15 (54 assists, 14 digs)
- at Northwestern, 10/10/15 (43 assists, 17 digs)

2015 HONORS & ACCOLADES

ALI FRANTTI

- · Preseason All-Big Ten
- Penn State Classic All-Tournament Team
- Golden Dome Invitational All-Tournament Team

MEGAN COURTNEY

- · Preseason All-Big Ten
- Penn State Classic Most Outstanding Player
- B1G/Pac-12 Challenge All-Tournament Team
- · Golden Dome Invitational Most Outstanding Player

HALEIGH WASHINGTON

- Unanimous Preseason All-Big Ten
- Penn State Classic All-Tournament Team
- B1G/Pac-12 Challenge Most Outstanding Player
- Big Ten Player of the Week (9/7, 9/28 -Co., 9/21)
- USF Invitational Most Outstanding Player

AIYANA WHITNEY

- Preseason All-Big Ten
- Penn State Classic All-Tournament Team
- B1G/Pac-12 Challenge All-Tournament Team
- USF Invitational All-Tournament Team

BRYANNA WEISKIRCHER

- Golden Dome Invitational All-Tournament Team
- USF Invitational All-Tournament Team

NITTANY LION ALUM AT THE ESPYS

Penn State alum Micha Hancock was nominated for an ESPN ESPY for the second consecutive season. Nominated for Best Female Collegiate Athlete, her nomination marked the fourth time a PSU women's volleyball student-athlete was 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. Hancock is the first in program history to receive back-to-back nominations.

NITTANY LIONS MONTH - BY- MONTH UNDER HEAD COACH RUSS ROSE

Penn State is 49-5 (.907) during the month of August under the direction of head coach Russ Rose (since 1979), after notching a trio of victories against Buffalo, Stony Brook and Villanova in the first week of 2015.

With head coach Russ Rose at the helm of the program, Penn State is 372-53 (.875) during the month of September, dating back to 1979. The Lions are 214-19 (.918) during the month of September dating back to the 1995 season and 54-9 (.857) since 2010.

PSU is 393-45 (.897) during the month of October during Rose's tenure (since 1979). Penn State has posted an 138-16 (.896) mark in October since the 2006 season, and a record of 52-8 (.867) dating back to 2010, without losing a match during the month from 2007 to the end of the 2009 season.

Penn State is 294-57 (.838) all-time during the month of November, including a 97-8 (.924) 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 53-3 (.946) mark in November.

SWEEPS AND STREAKS

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 conference in 1991, Penn State has played in 861 total matches, winning 766. Since 2008, Penn State has earned 203 of its 253 victories in three sets (80%), including 37-of-38 (98%) in 2008 and 32-of-38 in 2009 (84%). In 2014, Penn State earned 30-of-36 (83%) wins by way of a 3-0 sweep, marking the most amount of straight set wins in a season since the 2008-09 seasons.

Since the 2001 season, the Nittany Lions have only lost 57 matches. And of those 20 teams that defeated Penn State – BYU, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Michigan State, Minnesota, Nebraska, Northwestern, Ohio State, Oregon, Oregon State, Purdue, Stanford, Temple, Tennessee, Texas, UCLA, Washington and Wisconsin – only eight of these teams (Nebraska, Stanford, Ohio State, Illinois, Wisconsin, UCLA, Minnesota and Michigan State) have been able to beat Penn State three times. Since 2001, Penn State has compiled a 251-57 mark against all 20 teams to have beaten PSU within the stretch.

vs. Michigan	24-2	vs. Michigan St.	22-3
vs. Northwestern	25-3	vs. UCLA	3-3
vs. Wisconsin	25-5	vs. Minnesota	25-4
vs. Florida	3-2	vs. Temple	0-1
vs. Nebraska	5-7	vs. Tennessee	0-1
vs. Illinois	21-6	vs. Indiana	28-1
vs. BYU	3-1	vs. Texas	6-2
vs. Purdue	28-1	vs. Oregon	0-2
vs. Stanford	7-6	vs. Oregon State	0-1
vs. Washington	1-1	vs. Ohio State	23-5

PENN STATE BY THE NUMBERS

- 6 Number of NCAA national championships PSU has won in the last eight years
- 7 Number of NCAA national championships (1999, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2013, 2014)
 - » Penn State's seven titles are the most of any women's volleyball program in history
- Number of Big Ten titles in 23 seasons in the league
 - $\ensuremath{\text{\tiny{P}}}$ Penn State has captured Big Ten championships in nine of the last 11 years
- 21 Number of all-time conference player of the year selections
- Number of NCAA Tournaments PSU has participated in, one of two to play in all 34
- 38 Number of consecutive 20-win seasons
- 39 Seasons of Penn State women's volleyball, which started in 1976 under Tom Tait
- Longest Big Ten winning streak recorded by Penn State from 11/11/06 to 9/24/10
- Number of polls in which Penn State was ranked No. 1
- Number of consecutive home match wins from 9/1/06 to 12/11/10
- Number of consecutive matches wins between 9/21/07 to 9/11/10
- Number of Academic All-Big Ten honorees in 24 years
- 1,161 Number of wins by head coach Russ Rose prior to entering his 37th season
 - » Rose ranks first on the NCAA DI all-time list



RUSS ROSE AT A GLANCE ...

It's been nearly four decades since Russ Rose arrived on campus. Entering his 37th season, the AVCA Hall of Fame head coaches' record-setting seven NCCA national titles and 16 Big Ten championships speak directly to the confidence and character he's passed along throughout his career.

As each year passes, his list of accomplishments continue to swell, but a quick snapshot of his legendary tenure might read something like this: The leader of a women's volleyball powerhouse who's kept his program among the nation's elite for nearly 40 years, guiding his teams to a record-setting seven NCAA national titles, including an unprecedented four consecutive championships from 2007-10. Along with 16 Big Ten titles, his program is one of only two women's volleyball schools to compete in all 34 NCAA Division I Women's Volleyball National Championship events. He's produced four AVCA National Players of the Year, 13 Big Ten conference Players of the Year and at least one AVCA All-American in 35 of 36 seasons. His student-athletes excel in the classroom as well, with an outstanding 156 Academic All-Big Ten selections and five Academic All-Americans.

BY THE NUMBERS ...

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

34

Straight NCAA Tournament appearances

16

Big Ten titles in 23 years

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-36 seasons

- 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

WHO'S BACK

The Nittany Lions return plenty of potential when it comes to finding new ways to win. This year's senior group features experienced hitters in Megan Courtney and Aiyana Whitney as well as defensive specialists Kendall Pierce and Lara Caraway. From last year's top-ranked freshman recruiting class, All-American and DI National Freshman of the Year Ali Frantti and Big Ten Freshman of the Year Haleigh Washington highlight the large class that has already gained the taste of a national title.

Returning second team AVCA All-Americans Aiyana Whitney and Frantti are among an experienced group of top attackers. Courtney started all 39 matches for the Nittany Lions during the 2014 season, finishing third on the team with 2.44 kills per set and second on the squad with 2.34 digs per set. She highlighted the year with a clutch career-high performance in the NCAA national semifinals before going on to earn 2014 NCAA Championship MVP honors.

The Nittany Lions also return options at the middle position as well. Sophomore Haleigh Washington has emerged as one of the top returners in group. Washington burst on to the scene in September after an injury sidelined her for the opening portion of the season. In 25 appearances on the court, she finished first on the team with a .463 hitting percentage, while also tallying 96 blocks. With the ability to play multiple positions in the front row, redshirt senior All-American Aiyana Whitney could also be an option at the middle position this year, along with sophomore Heidi Thelen.

EXPERIENCED SENIOR CORE

Comprised of four, this year's senior class features Lara Caraway, Megan Courtney, Kendall Pierce and Aiyana Whitney. Playing all together at the same time, the four have a combined record of 103-8 in three years, as well as a 56-4 mark in Big Ten matches. Along with back-toback Big Ten titles in 2012 and 2013, the veteran class also boasts back-to-back NCAA national titles from 2013-14. Having made it to the final four in the last three consecutive seasons, the four have an NCAA tournament record of 16-1.

SPOTS TO FILL

This year, the Nittany Lions enter the season with some sizable question marks, tasked with replacing a core group of senior leadership. First there's three-time All-American and 2014 AVCA DI National Player of the Year Micha Hancock, who set the Nittany Lions to both championship crowns in 2013-14, while also impressing from the end line with her clutch serve. Then there's three-year starting libero Dominique Gonzalez, and defensive specialist Lacey Fuller who commanded the backrow. Lastly, there's two-time All-American Nia Grant, who frequently led the nation in hitting efficiency in 2014.

Perhaps one of Penn State's top priorities this season will be at the setting position, replacing Hancock, who ended her career atop both the NCAA and Big Ten career aces lists. Departures from Domingue Gonzalez and Lacey Fuller present another top priority for the Nittany Lions heading into the 2015 season. Gonzalez closed out her collegiate career ranked fourth alltime in the Penn State record book with 1,474 digs.

WHO'S NEW

Penn State's 2015 freshman class features a little bit of everything, including setter Wilma Rivera (Carolina, Puerto Rico), defensive specialist Keeton Holcomb (Belville, Texas), middle blocker Tori Gorrell (Ontario, Canada) and right side Jelena Novaković (Belgrade, Serbia).

Tori Gorrell » Gorrell attended Abbey Park High School in Oakville, Ontario, helping Abbey Park to the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Association AAA volleyball championship. In addition to helping the team to an undefeated season, she also led the squad to Halton Tier I and Golden Horseshoe Athletic Conference AA titles.

Keeton Holcomb » A four-year letterwinner and team MVP at Belville, she earned AAA First Team All-State honors in 2013-14, as well as Texas Sports Writers Association All-State honors in 2013. Holcomb is a MaxPreps Second Team All-American, having also been named to the 2014 Under Armour All-American watch list. Played club with Houston Juniors.

Jelena Novaković » Novaković helped Red Star to a National Cup title in 2014 and a silver medal at the 2014 Championship, while also earning MVP honors at the U17 Belgrade Tournament. She earned gold at the European Championship with the U19 Serbian Junior National Team in 2014, as well as another gold medal at the Balkan Championship in Subotica, Serbia.

Wilma Rivera » Rivera was a four-year team captain and senior MVP at Saint Francis School. She helped her high school squad to the 2014 Puerto Rico Lopa El Nuevo Dia Championships, while also earning LACC All-State Best Setter and MVP honors in the same year. Rivera also competed on the Puerto Rican Junior National Team.

NCAA RPI TOP 30

Updated: Oct. 19, 2015 NO. SCHOOL CONF. REC. RD. NEU. HOME 1 USC Pac-12 20-0 6-0 3-0 11-0 6-2 1-0 9-0 2 Nebraska Big Ten 16-2 3 Florida SEC 13-4 5-3 3-0 5-1 18-2 4 Ohio St. Big Ten 4-1 6-0 8-1 5 **UCLA** Pac-12 15-3 7-0 4-0 4-3 16-1 Big 12 3-0 2-0 11-1 6 Texas 7 Big Ten 15-3 6-2 3-1 6-0 Minnesota Big 12 18-0 5-0 4-0 9-0 8 Kansas 9 PENN STATE BIG TEN 17-2 3-1 4-0 10-1 10 Washington Pac-12 17-1 4-1 3-0 10-0 13-6 7-2 11 Kentucky SEC 5-1 1-3 17-2 6-2 6-0 5-0 12 Missouri SFC 13 Arkansas St. Sun Belt 19-1 10-0 5-1 4-0 14 BYU W. Coast 17-2 7-2 4-0 6-0 6-2 15 Wisconsin Big Ten 12-6 4-3 2-1 16 Louisville ACC 14-4 4-2 2-0 8-2 15-4 17 Arizona St. Pac-12 3-4 3-0 9-0 18 Florida St. ACC 15-4 6-4 3-0 6-0 Western Ky. Con.USA 21-2 19 9-0 5-1 7-1 Big Ten 12-7 4-2 20 N'western 3-4 5-1 21 Iowa St. Big 12 11-6 1-4 4-0 6-2 22 Stanford Pac-12 11-5 4-4 1-0 6-1 23 Creighton Big East 15-7 4-2 2-2 9-3 24 Michigan Big Ten 15-4 3-3 2-0 10-1 25 Illinois Big Ten 12-7 3-3 5-1 4-3 Hawaii Big West 18-1 2-0 0-0 16-1 26 27 Purdue Big Ten 15-4 5-2 1-2 9-0 W. Coast 13-6 28 San Diego 6-2 1-3 6-1 9-8 2-2 1-3 6-3 29 UNC ACC

PENN STATE'S RECORD WHEN ...

Big 12

30 Baylor

14-6

Playing at home	10-1
Playing on the road	3-1
Playing at a neutral site	
Current winning streak	W2
Big Ten matches	6-2
Non-conference matches	11-0
In three-set matches	15-0
In four-set matches	1-0
In five-set matches	1-2
When winning the first set	18-1
When losing the first set	0-1
Hitting .300 +	12-0
Hitting .200299	5-0
When winning the second set	17-2
When losing the second set	0-0
Out-hitting a team	16-0
Out-hit by a team	1-2
Playing a ranked team	6-1
Playing an unranked team	11-1
On TV	3-1
In August	3-0
In September	10-0
In October	4-2
In November	0-0

THE LAST TIME A NITTANY LION ...

Had 30 or more kills	31 - Nicole Fawcett vs. Cal Poly (8/31/07)
Had 10 or more blocks1	1 - Haleigh Washington vs. St. John's (9/19/15)
Had eight or more aces	8 - Micha Hancock at Maryland (11/22/14)
Had 30 or more digs	35 - Alyssa D'Errico at Minnesota (11/27/10)
Had 80 or more assists	82 - Samantha Spink vs. Illinois (11/24/95)
Hit .800 or better (min. 12 kills)93	29 (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	at South Florida, 9/12/15 (25-19, 25-6, 25-18)
Lost a match	at Stanford, 9/5/14 (18-25, 25-23, 24-26, 25-17, 12-15)
Won at home	vs. Stanford, 9/5/15 (25-21, 25-22, 25-18)
Lost at home	vs. Oregon, 8/26/11 (25-16, 25-21, 25-20, 25-22)
Won 3-0 at home	vs. Stanford, 9/5/15 (25-21, 25-22, 25-18)
Lost 3-0 at home	vs. UC-Santa Barbara, 9/18/86 (1-15, 7-15, 13-15)
Won 3-0 on the road	at South Florida, 9/12/15 (25-19, 25-6, 25-18)
Lost 3-0 on the road	vs. Stanford, 9/11/10 (26-28, 12-25, 18-25)

VS. BIG TEN OPPONENTS (REGULAR-SEASON MATCHES)

Won a match	vs. Purdue, 10/17/15 (25-18, 25-17, 25-17)
Lost a matcha	at Northwestern, 10/10/15 (25-12, 26-24, 14-25, 20-25, 11-15)
Won at home	vs. Purdue, 10/17/15 (25-18, 25-17, 25-17)
Lost at home	vs. Nebraska, 10/2/15 (25-12, 26-24, 14-25, 20-25, 11-15)
Won 3-0 at home	vs. Purdue, 10/17/15 (25-18, 25-17, 25-17)
Lost 3-0 at home	vs. Minnesota, 10/18/03 (26-30, 18-30, 21-30)
Won 3-0 on the road	at Northwestern, 11/26/14 (25-20, 25-23, 25-23)
Lost 3-0 on the road	at Illinois, 11/11/11 (21-25, 23-25, 26-28)

ALL MATCHES

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Won a match	vs. Purdue, 10/17/15 (25-18, 25-17, 25-17)
Lost a match	at Northwestern, 10/10/15 (25-12, 26-24, 14-25, 20-25, 11-15)
Won at home	vs. Purdue, 10/17/15 (25-18, 25-17, 25-17)
Lost at home	vs. Nebraska, 10/2/15 (25-12, 26-24, 14-25, 20-25, 11-15)
Won 3-0 at home	vs. Purdue, 10/17/15 (25-18, 25-17, 25-17)
Lost 3-0 at home	vs. Minnesota, 10/18/03 (26-30, 18-30, 21-30)
Won 3-0 on the road	at South Florida, 9/12/15 (25-19, 25-6, 25-18)
Lost 3-0 on the road	at Illinois, 11/11/11 (21-25, 23-25, 26-28)

PACKING REC HALL ONCE AGAIN

Penn State is once again among the national leaders in attendance this year, ranking top five in the country with an average of 4,004 fans per match on the year along with other Big Ten schools, Nebraska, Wisconsin and Illinois. (Figures provided by the NCAA.) Penn State highlighted the year with a sold out crowd of 6,055 against Stanford Sept. 4, 2015. The Nittany Lions have drawn crowds of 4,000-plus in four of the last six home matches

	SCHOOL	TOTAL ATTEN.	AVG. ATTEN.	HOME DATES		SCHOOL	TOTAL ATTEN.	AVG. ATTEN.	HOME DATES
1	Nebraska	Big Ten	73,539	8,171	16	Wichita St.	Miz Valley	21,447	2,145
2	Hawaii	Big West	116,318	6,842	17	Stanford	Pac-12	14,438	2,063
3	Wisconsin	Big Ten	35,381	4,423	18	Kansas St.	Big 12	9,994	1,999
4	PENN STATE	Big Ten	44,042	4,004	19	Louisville	ACC	19,359	1,936
5	Minnesota	Big Ten	18,740	3,123	20	BYU	W. Coast	11,208	1,868
6	Illinois	Big Ten	21,718	3,103	21	Creighton	Big East	21,806	1,817
7	Missouri	SEC	15,335	3,067	22	UNC	ACC	16,032	1,781
8	Ohio	MAC	19,092	2,727	23	Kentucky	SEC	15,954	1,773
9	Iowa St.	Big 12	21,564	2,696	24	Arizona St.	Pac-12	15,672	1,741
10	Purdue	Big Ten	23,610	2,623	25	Washington	Pac-12	17,255	1,726
11	Texas	Big 12	30,441	2,537	26	Oregon	Pac-12	3,425	1,713
12	Michigan St.	Big Ten	19,489	2,436	27	Ohio St.	Big Ten	15,009	1,668
13	UNI	Miz Valley	18,903	2,363	28	TCU	Big 12	9,112	1,519
14	Florida	SEC	14,113	2,352	29	UCLA	Pac-12	10,332	1,476
15	Colorado St.	M. West	27,517	2,293	30	Texas A&M	SEC	11,757	1,470

2015 PENN STATE SUPERLATIVES

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	16 - Megan Courtney vs. Villanova (8/29)	
	42 - Megan Courtney vs. Villanova (8/29)	
	846 - (11-0-13) - Haleigh Washington vs. Auburn (9/18)	
	43- Bryanna Weiskircher vs. Wisconsin (9/23)	
	4 - Bryanna Weiskircher vs. Purdue (10/17)	
	20, 2x last - Keeton Holcomb at Notre Dame (9/12)	
	3 - Haleigh Washington vs. Purdue (10/17)	
	10 - Haleigh Washington vs. St. John's (9/19)	
	11 - Haleigh Washington vs. St. John's (9/19)	
	INDIVIDUAL	
	18 - Megan Courtney at Illinois (10/9)	
	46 - Megan Courtney at Illinois (10/9)	
	419 (16-3-31) - Aiyana Whitney at Illinois (10/9)	
	54 - Bryanna Weiskircher at Illinois (10/9)	
	2 - Kendall Pierce at Illinois (10/9)	
	19 - Megan Courtney at Illinois (10/9)	
	3 - Megan Courtney at Illinois (10/9)	
	7 - Haleigh Washington at Illinois (10/9)	
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	22 - Megan Courtney, vs. Minnesota (9/26)	
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	368 (9-2-19) - Haleigh Washington at Northwestern (10/10)	
	54 - Bryanna Weiskircher vs. Minnesota (9/26)	
	2 - H. Washington and B. Weiskircher vs. Minnesota (9/26)	
	23, 2x last - Megan Courtney at Northwestern (10/10)	
	3 - Megan Courtney vs. Nebraska (10/2)	
	8 - Haleigh Washington vs. Nebraska (10/2)	
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2015 CUMULATIVE STATISTICS

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##	Player	sp	k	k/s	е	ta	pct	а	a/s	sa	se	sa/s	re	dig	dig/s	bs	ba	total	blk/s	be	bhe	points
15	Washington, Haleigh	64	170	2.66	29	313	.450	2	0.03	16	37	0.25	0	35	0.55	18	83	101	1.58	11	2	245.5
14	Whitney, Aiyana	64	191	2.98	53	431	.320	2	0.03	0	0	0.00	0	25	0.39	4	57	61	0.95	2	1	223.5
17	Courtney, Megan	58	189	3.26	51	534	.258	29	0.50	7	7	0.12	8	203	3.50	17	41	58	1.00	4	1	233.5
22	Lee,Simone	39	68	1.74	26	163	.258	1	0.03	1	1	0.03	0	10	0.26	1	18	19	0.49	0	2	79.0
19	Thelen,Heidi	47	29	0.62	11	72	.250	8	0.17	0	0	0.00	0	9	0.19	6	45	51	1.09	6	0	57.5
5	Frantti,Ali	64	164	2.56	62	435	.234	11	0.17	3	8	0.05	16	115	1.80	3	20	23	0.36	2	0	180.0
21	Weiskircher, Bryanna	64	30	0.47	13	86	.198	669	10.45	21	19	0.33	2	146	2.28	2	39	41	0.64	10	6	72.5
6	Reed,Nia	10	12	1.20	7	30	.167	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	3	3	0.30	0	0	13.5
10	Muller, Carley	11	0	0.00	0	0	.000	1	0.09	2	2	0.18	0	8	0.73	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	2.0
13	Krause, Taylor	41	0	0.00	0	0	.000	4	0.10	7	5	0.17	0	43	1.05	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	7.0
12	Holcomb, Keeton	63	0	0.00	0	1	.000	39	0.62	4	9	0.06	17	220	3.49	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	4.0
4	Rivera,Wilma	24	0	0.00	0	0	.000	21	0.88	5	12	0.21	0	28	1.17	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	5.0
8	Pierce,Lainy	17	0	0.00	0	2	.000	0	0.00	1	1	0.06	0	5	0.29	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	1.0
2	Caraway,Lara	16	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	3	0.00	0	18	1.12	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.0
3	Pierce, Kendall	52	0	0.00	1	2	500	7	0.13	6	2	0.12	4	58	1.12	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	6.0
	PENN STATE	64	853	13.33	253	2069	.290	794	12.41	73	106	1.14	50	923	14.42	51	306	204.0	3.19	35	12	1130.0
	Opponents	64	727	11.36	427	2215	.135	689	10.77	50	142	0.78	73	863	13.48	13	177	101.5	1.59	34	14	878.5

TEAM STATISTICS

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Team Statistics	PSU	OPP
ATTACK		
Kills	853	727
Errors	253	427
Total Attacks	2069	2215
Attack Pct	.290	.135
Kills/Set	13.3	11.4
SET		
Assists	794	689
Attempts	2007	2209
Assist Pct	.396	.312
Assists/Set	12.4	10.8
SERVE		
Aces	73	50
Errors	106	142
Attempts	1511	1176
Serve Pct	.930	.879
Aces/Set	1.1	0.8
SERVE RECEPTIONS		
Errors	50	73
Errors/Set	0.8	1.1
Attempts	1034	1404
Reception Pct	.952	.948
DEFENSE		
Digs	923	863
Digs/Set	14.4	13.5
BLOCKING		
Block Solo	51	13
Block Assist	306	177
Total Blocks	204.0	101.5
Blocks/Set	3.2	1.6
Block Errors	35	34
Ball handling errors	12	14
ATTENDANCE		
Total	44042	8870
Dates/Avg Per Date	11/4004	4/2218
Neutral site #/Avg	4/284	J
Current win streak	2	_
Home win streak	3	-
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2015 RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	SET SCORES	TIME	ATT.
Aug. 28	vs. Buffalo	W	3-0	25-18,25-12,25-16	1:11	2,252
Aug. 29	vs. Stony Brook	W	3-0	25-13,25-13,25-20	1:08	3,716
Aug. 29	vs. Villanova	W	3-0	25-20,25-23,25-21	1:29	3,716
Sept. 4	vs. #21 Colorado	W	3-0	25-19,25-21,25-18	1:24	3,148
Sept. 5	vs. #2 Stanford	W	3-0	25-21,25-22,25-18	1:34	6,055
Sept. 11	vs. Eastern Kentucky	% W	3-0	25-14,25-13,25-14	1:07	946
Sept. 12	vs. Mississippi State?	6 W	3-0	25-16,25-14,25-12	1:12	706
Sept. 12	at. Notre Dame%	W	3-0	25-17,25-19,25-16	1:18	1,540
Sept. 18	vs. Auburn\$	W	3-0	25-11, 25-16, 25-19	1:23	556
Sept. 19	vs. St. John's\$	W	3-0	25-10, 25-18, 25-19	N/A	579
Sept. 19	at South Florida\$	W	3-0	25-19, 25-6, 25-18	1:16	1,636
Sept. 23	vs. #16 Wisconsin	W	3-0	25-21, 25-16, 25-20	1:28	2,710
Sept. 26	vs. #21 Minnesota	W	3-2	25-22,25-16,19-25,20-25,15-12	2:21	5,039
Oct. 2	vs. #4 Nebraska	L	3-2	25-12, 26-24, 14-25, 20-25, 11-15	2:32	5,105
Oct. 3	vs. Iowa	W	3-0	26-24, 25-16, 25-23	1:33	5,331
Oct. 9	at #13 Illinois	W	3-1	25-16, 25-18, 24-26, 27-25	2: 07	3,997
Oct. 10	at Northwestern	L	3-2	18-25,25-23,24-26,25-17,12-15	2:21	1,697
Oct. 16	vs. Indiana	W	3-0	25-18, 25-15, 25-14	1:22	2,938
Oct. 17	vs. #18 Purdue	W	3-0	25-18, 25-17, 25-17	1:23	4,032

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TEAM MATCH-BY-MATCH STA	COMPARISON	*Penn State/Opponent
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OPPONENT	SETS	KILLS	ERRORS	TA	HIT%	ASSISTS	SA	SE	RE	DIGS	BS-BA	BE	TOT BLKS
BUFFALO	3	33/24	10/30	76/87	.303/069	32/23	4/3	9/7	3/4	32/31	3-18/0-6	0/1	12.0/3.0
STONY BROOK	3	39/31	6/24	83/92	.398/.076	37/30	4/3	5/7	3/4	35/32	1-25/0-4	0/1	13.5/2.0
VILLANOVA	3	47/44	12/18	121/124	.289/.210	43/44	4/3	5/5	3/4	55/58	1-16/0-8	3/1	9.0/4.0
COLORADO	3	29/35	13/29	93/109	.172/.055	26/31	5/3	7/11	3/5	33/42	3-20/0-6	2/3	13.0/3.0
STANFORD	3	51/42	14/14	113/105	.327/.267	46/37	4/1	4/5	1/4	45/42	2-10/2-10	7/2	7.0/7.0
Eastern Kentucky	3	34/22	8/23	72/86	.361/012	30/22	7/2	8/8	2/7	33/28	3-8/2-2	0/1	7.0/3.0
Mississippi State	3	36/26	8/27	85/101	.329/010	35/26	3/4	1/5	4/3	45/33	5-14/0-2	0/0	12.0/1.0
Notre Dame	3	45/27	13/17	100/103	.320/.097	43/25	3/3	9/6	3/3	54/40	3-13/0-14	2/2	9.5/7.0
Auburn	3	47/32	7/16	90/93	.444/.172	39/29	4/0	7/6	0/4	37/32	2-10/0-8	5/7	7.0/4.0
St. John's	3	38/28	9/22	77/85	.377/.071	36/27	7/1	7/4	1/7	29/27	2-26/0-6	3/1	15.0/3.0
South Florida	3	43/25	7/19	88/97	.409/.062	39/24	2/4	4/6-	4/2	50/35	3-10/1-2	1/2	8.0/2.0
WISCONSIN	3	46/39	11/18	93/107	.376/.196	46/38	3/0	7/7	0/3	44/34	3-8/0-10	1/4	7.0/5.0
MINNESOTA	5	65/60	30/23	177/171	.198/.216	61/58	5/4	5/11	4/5	75/76	5-12/3-20	3/4	11.0/13.0
NEBRASKA	5	57/60	27/27	183/191	.164/.173	54/58	2/5	7/8	5/2	81/84	4-22/2-24	0/0	15.0/14.0
IOWA	3	47/41	13/13	103/99	.330/.283	43/40	4/7	2/10	7/4	43/43	1-10/0-10	1/1	6/0/5.0
Illinois	4	64/53	18/29	159/164	.289/.146	62/50	3/1	11/3	1/3	71/68	3-20/0-13	0/0	13.0/6.5
Northwestern	5	56/67	25/30	161/175	.193/.211	49/62	2/5	5/15	5/2	68/75	2-24/0-16	1/2	14.0/8.0
Indiana	3	35/35	10/26	103/122	.243/.074	34/32	3/0	2/10	0/3	51/51	2-20/1-4	2/2	12.0/3.0
Purdue	3	41/36	12/22	92/104	.315/.135	39/33	4/1	1/8	1/4	42/32	3-20/2-12	3/0	13.0/8.0

INDIVIDUAL MATCH-BY-MATCH LEADERS

DATE	OPP.	KILLS	ATTACKS	ACES	ASSISTS	DIGS	BLOCKS
Aug. 28	Buffalo	Whitney - 11	Courtney - 25	4 @ - 1	Weiskircher - 18	Holcomb - 18	Thelen - 7
Aug. 29	Stony Brook	Courtney - 11	Frantti - 24	4 @ - 1	Weiskircher - 30	Holcomb - 9	Thelen - 9
Aug. 29	Villanova	Courtney - 16	Courtney - 43	4 @ - 1	Weiskircher - 37	Courtney - 13	Washington - 6
Sept. 4	Colorado	Washington - 8	Frantti - 27	Weiskircher - 2	Weiskircher - 18	Courtney - 12	Thelen - 7
Sept. 5	Stanford	Frantti - 13	Frantti - 35	Courtney -2	Weiskircher - 41	Courtney - 13	Whitney - 3
Cont 11	Footown Montuelar	Whitney - 13	Courtmon 16	Washington 2	Wajakirahar 10	Halaamah O	Washington - 3
	Eastern Kentucky	Courtney - 9	Courtney - 16	Washington - 3	Weiskircher - 19	Holcomb - 8	Washington - 4
•	Mississippi St.	Frantti - 11	Frantti - 26 Courtney - 26	Muller - 2	Weiskicher - 29	Holcomb - 20	Washington - 7
Sept. 12	at Notre Dame	Frantti - 14 Courtney - 14	Courtney - 28	3 @ - 1	Weiskircher - 40	Holcomb - 20	Washington - 5
Sept. 18	Auburn	Washington - 11	Courtney - 24	4 @ -1	Weiskircher - 36	Holcomb - 17	Thelen - 4
	St. John's	Whitney - 11	Frantti - 19	3@-2	Weiskircher - 31	Courtney - 10	Washington - 11
Sept. 19		Whitney - 15	Whitney - 27	2@-1	Weiskircher - 32	Weiskircher - 1	0
	Wisconsin	Frantti - 14	Frantti - 25	Washington - 2	Weiskircher - 43	Courtney - 14	Washington - 5
	Minnesota	Courtney - 22	Courtney - 62	Washington - 2 Weiskircher - 2	Weiskircher - 54	Holcomb - 18	Washington- 5 Thelen- 5
Oct. 2	Nebraska	Courtney - 16	Courtney - 62	Krause - 1 Washington - 1	Weiskircher - 46	Holcomb - 23	Washington -9
Oct. 3	Iowa	Courtney - 12	Courtney - 34	Weiskircher - 3	Weiskircher - 34	Courtney - 13	Washington -3 Lee -3
Oct. 9	at Illinois	Courtney - 18	Courtney - 46	K. Pierce - 2	Weiskircher - 54	Courtney - 19	Washington - 7
Oct. 10	at Northwestern	Courtney - 18	Courtney - 48	Rivera -1	Weiskircher - 43	Courtney - 23	Washington - 8
000. 10	at Northwestern	Lee - 14	Courtiley - 40	Holcomb -1	Weiskircher - 45	Courtiley - 25	washington - o
Oct. 16	Indiana	Lee - 10	Frantti - 23 Whitney - 23	Frantti - 1	Weiskircher - 28	Holcomb - 15	Whitney - 8
Oct. 17	Purdue	Lee - 12	Lee - 24	Weiskircher - 4	Weiskircher - 36	Frantti - 11	Washington - 9
TOTALS	(INCLUDING TIES)						
		Whitney - 4 Courtney - 9 Frantti - 4 Washington - 2 Lee - 3	Courtney - 11 Frantti - 7 Whitney - 2 Lee - 1	Weiskircher - 4 Courtney - 1 Muller - 1 Washington - 4 Krause - 1 K. Pierce - 1	Weiskircher - 19	Holcomb - 9 Courtney - 8 Weiskircher - 1 Frantti - 1	Thelen - 6 Washington - 13 Lee - 1 Whitney - 1



AIYANA WHITNEY

REDSHIRT SENIOR | OH NORWOOD, N.J.

2015 HIGHLIGHTS "Had 11 kills on .400 hitting against Buffalo (8/28) ... Posted 14 kills on .429 hitting vs. Villanova (8/29) ... Tied for team-high with 13 kills on .440 hitting against No. 2 Stanford (9/5) ... Had 10 kills against Auburn (9/18) ... Led the team with 11 kills on .500 hitting against St. John's (9/19) ... Posted a team-high 15 kills at USF (9/19) ... Recorded 10 against No. 16 Wisconsin (9/23) ... Put down 13 kills against No. 21 Minnesota (9/26) ... Tallied 14 kills on .333 hitting against No. 4 Nebraska (10/2) ... Finished second on the team with a season-high 16 kills at No. 13 Illinois (10/9) ... Tallied 13 kills and five blocks at Northwestern (10/10) ... Led the blocking unit with a career-high eight blocks against Indiana (10/16).

2015 HONORS » Preseason All-Big Ten ... Penn State Classic All-Tournament ... B1G/Pac-12 Challenge All-Tournament Team ... USF Invitational All-Tournament.

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Put down eight kills in the season-opener against TCU (8/29) ... Had seven kills on .583 hitting 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) ... Led the team with 13 kills against UIC (9/20) ... Tallied eight kills at No. 5 Wisconsin (9/24), while also matching a career-high mark with a team-high six blocks ... Notched double-digit kills (12) and six blocks at No. 17 Minnesota (9/27) ... Set a career-high mark with seven blocks against No. 24 Northwestern (10/8), adding a team-high 12 kills on .500 hitting ... Led the team with a season-high 15 kills against No. 15 Illinois (10/11) ... Led the team with 12 kills on .362 hitting against Michigan State (10/25) ... Posted a match-high 16 kills on .714 hitting against Iowa (11/12).. Recorded 17 kills on .682 hitting against Minnesota (11/15) ... Had seven blocks at Maryland (11/22) ... Tallied 13 kills on .571 hitting in the NCAA regional semifinals against UCLA (12/13) ... Notched 16 kills against Wisconsin in the NCAA regional finals (12/13) ... Put down 10 kills in the NCAA national semifinals against Stanford (12/18) ... Tied for first on the team with 11 kills in the NCAA national finals against BYU (12/20).

2014 HONORS » AVCA Second Team All-America … AVCA All-Northeast Region … Louisville Regional All-Tournament … All-Big Ten honorable mention … Big Ten Player of the Week (11/17) … Villanova Classic All-Tournament Team … Penn State Alumni Classic MVP.

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 … Majoring in broadcast journalism.

2015 MATC	H-BY	-MA	ГСН					
OPP.	K	Ε	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	TB
Buffalo	11	3	20	.400	0	0	1	3
Stony Brook	6	2	16	.250	0	0	1	5
Villanova	14	2	28	.429	0	0	1	2
Colorado	3	3	15	.000	0	0	0	4
Stanford	13	2	25	.440	0	0	1	3
Eastern Kentucky	8	2	15	.400	0	0	2	3
Mississippi State	5	2	13	.231	1	0	2	3
Notre Dame	9	6	21	.143	0	0	1	3
Auburn	10	2	22	.364	0	0	1	3
St John's	11	2	18	.500	0	0	2	4
USF	15	2	27	.481	0	0	1	3
Wisconsin	10	2	20	.400	0	0	0	0
Minnesota	13	6	41	.146	0	0	5	1
Nebraska	14	4	30	.333	0	0	3	3
Iowa	8	2	16	.375	0	0	1	2
Illinois	16	3	31	.419	0	0	1	3
Northwestern	13	5	34	.235	0	0	0	5
Indiana	6	1	23	.217	0	0	1	8
Purdue	6	1	16	.312	0	0	1	3

2015 SEASON	HIGHS						CATE	GORY							CAREE	R HIGH
16 at Illinois (10/	9)						Kil	lls						18 vs. F	Purdue (10,	/17/14)
41 vs. Minnesota	(9/26)						Atta	cks						44 at F	Purdue (10)	/17/14)
.500 (11-2-18) vs	. St John's (9/	′19)					Hitting Pe	rcentage					.500 (11-	2-18) vs. St	. John's (9)	/26/15)
1 vs. Mississippi S	State (9/12)						Ass	ists						2 at Mir	nnesota (9)	/27/14)
N/A				Aces										2 vs.	DePaul (9,	/19/14)
5 vs. Minnesota (9	9/26)			Digs										5 vs. Mir	nnesota (9,	/26/15)
8 vs. Indiana (10/	[′] 16)			Blocks										8 vs. Ir	ndiana (10,	/16/15)
WHITNEY'S CA	REER STATS	5														
SEASON	SP-MP	K	K/S	Ε	TA	PCT	Α	A/S	SA	SA/S	DIG	D/S	BS	BA	TB	B/S
2011	24-65	113	1.74	51	320	.194	0	0.00	0	0.00	14	0.22	3	22	25	0.38
2012	Redshirt sea	ason.														
2013	32-21	42	1.31	12	95	.316	1	0.03	0	0.00	8	0.25	0	12	12	0.38
2014	126-39	372	2.95	109	745	.353	5	0.04	3	0.02	42	0.33	1	94	98	0.78
2015	64-19	191	2.98	53	431	.320	2	0.03	0	0.00	25	0.39	4	57	61	0.95
CAREER	287-103	718	2.50	225	1591	.310	8	0.03	3	0.01	89	0.31	11	185	196	0.68



MEGAN COURTNEY

SENIOR | OH DAYTON, OHIO

2015 HIGHLIGHTS » Posted a team-high 11 kills on .647 hitting with nine digs against Stony Brook (8/29) ... Recorded a double-double with a match-high 16 kills and 13 digs against Villanova (8/29) ... Tallied a double-double with 11 kills on .400 hitting and 13 digs against No. 2 Stanford (9/5) ... Led the team with 14 kills and 15 digs for a double-double at Notre Dame (9/12) ... Recorded 10 kills against Auburn (9/18) ... Led the team with 10 digs against St. John's (9/19) ... Logged a double-double with 10 kills and 14 digs against No. 16 Wisconsin (9/23)... Led the team with 22 kills against No.21 Minnesota (9/26), while adding 13 digs for a double-double ... Led the offense with 16 kills, a season-high 22 digs and a career-high eight blocks against No. 4 Nebraska (10/2) ...Tallied 12 kills and 13 digs against lowa (10/3) ... Led the offense with 18 kills along with a team-high 19 digs at No. 13 Illinois (10/9) ... Logged a career-high 23 digs and 14 kills at Northwestern (10/10).

2015 HONORS » Preseason All-Big Ten ... Penn State Classic MVP ... B1G/Pac-12 Challenge All-Tournament team ... Golden Dome Invite MVP.

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Finished third on the team with 2.44 kills per set ... Ranked second on the team in digs per set (2.34), having led the team in the category seven times ... Earned NCAA Tournament Most Outstanding Player honors ... Opened the season with double-digit (12) kills against TCU (8/29) ... Notched at least eight kills against Iona (8/30) and William & Mary (8/30) on .400 or better hitting ... Had 18 kills at No. 2 Stanford (9/5) ... Led the team with 14 kills at Villanova (9/12) ... Highlighted the Penn State Alumni Classic with 10 kills against East Carolina (9/20) ... Had 14 digs at No. 5 Wisconsin (9/24) ... Registered double-digit kills at No. 17 Minnesota (9/27) and at No. 8 Nebraska (10/3) ... Tallied a teamhigh 11 kills at lowa (10/4) ... Led the team with 13 digs against No. 15 Illinois (10/11) ... Put down 10 kills at Michigan (11/19), while also adding 10 digs for a double-double ... Had 11 kills in the NCAA second round match against Dayton (12/6) ... Picked up 13 digs in the NCAA regional finals against Wisconsin (12/13) ... Recorded a double-double with a career-high 23 kills and 16 digs in the NCAA national semifinals against Stanford (12/18), adding five blocks ... Totaled 11 kills, 14 digs and five blocks, including two solo stuffs in the NCAA national title match against BYU (12/20), earning NCAA Championship MVP honors.

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 ... Majoring in kinesiology.

2015 MATC	H-BY	-MA1	ГСН					
OPP.	K	E	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	ТВ
Buffalo	8	2	25	.240	0	1	4	4
Stony Brook	11	0	17	.647	0	1	9	4
Villanova	16	3	43	.302	2	1	13	4
Colorado	3	2	18	.056	2	1	12	3
Stanford	11	1	25	.400	1	2	13	1
Eastern Kentucky	4	2	16	.125	4	0	6	0
Mississippi State	9	2	26	.269	4	0	7	3
Notre Dame	14	1	28	.464	1	0	15	4
Auburn	10	0	24	.417	1	0	4	0
St. John's	6	2	16	.250	3	0	10	5
USF	5	1	21	.190	1	1	6	4
Wisconsin	10	3	23	.304	0	0	14	2
Minnesota	22	8	62	.226	1	0	13	5
Nebraska	16	9	62	.113	3	0	22	8
Iowa	12	5	34	.206	2	0	13	1
Illinois	18	4	46	.304	1	0	19	6
Northwestern	14	6	48	.167	3	0	23	4

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22 vs. Minnes	sota (9/26)						Ki	lls						23 vs. Sta	anford (12,	/18/14)
62, 2x last vs	. Nebraska (10/2						Atta	icks					62, 2	x last vs. Ne	ebraska (10	0/3/15)
.647 (11-0-17) vs. Stony Brook	(8/29)					Hitting Pe	ercentage					750 (1	5-0-20) vs.	Indiana (10	0/3/13)
4, 2x last vs.	Mississippi State	(9/12)					Ass	ists						7 vs. Wi	sconsin (9,	/24/14)
2, vs. Stanfor	d (9/5)						Ac	es					2	, 5x last vs.	Stanford (9	9/5/15)
23 at Northw	estern (10/10)				Digs								23 at Northwestern (10/10/15)			
8 vs. Nebrask	(a (10/2)			8, 2x last vs. N							x last vs. Ne	ebraska (10	0/2/15)			
COURTNEY	'S CAREER ST	ATS														
	'S CAREER STA	ATS K	K/S	E	TA	PCT	A	A/S	SA	SA/S	DIG	D/S	BS	BA	ТВ	B/S
SEASON	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		K/S 2.00	E 88	TA 632	PCT .241	A 33	A/S 0.28	SA 13	SA/S 0.11	DIG 237	D/S 1.98	BS 32	BA 69	TB 101	B/S 0.84
COURTNEY'S SEASON 2012 2013	MP-SP	K 240	, -					, -		- / -		, -			. –	· ·
SEASON 2012 2013	MP-SP 120-36	K 240 297	2.00	88	632	.241	33	0.28	13	0.11	237	1.98	32	69	101	0.84
SEASON 2012	MP-SP 120-36 120-35	K 240 297 310	2.00 2.47	88 96	632 740	.241	33 32	0.28 0.27	13 1	0.11	237 301	1.98 2.51	32 28	69 59	101 87	0.84 0.73



LARA CARAWAY

SENIOR | DS EVANS CITY, Pa.

2015 HIGHLIGHTS » Made appearances on the court against Buffalo and Stony Brook in the Penn State Classic ... Saw action on the court against Eastern Kentucky at the Golden Dome Invitational ... Played in all three matches at the USF Invitational ... Had two digs against Auburn (9/18) and one dig at USF (9/19) ... Saw action on the court at Northwestern (10/10) ... Recorded a career-high eight digs in her first collegiate start against Indiana (10/16) ... Started against No. 13 Purdue (10/17) and logged seven digs.

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Saw action in 11 matches this season, making five appearances in Big Ten conference matches ... Played in all three matches during a 3-0 opening week, matching a career high mark with two digs against Iona (8/30) ... Tallied one ace against American (9/12) at the Villanova Classic ... Matched a season-high mark with two digs against Yale (9/13) ... Had one dig against Michigan (10/24) and one at Minnesota (11/15).

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.

2015 MATC	H-B	/-M	ATCH						
OPP.	K	Ε	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	TB	
Buffalo	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	
Stony Brook	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	
Eastern Kentucky	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	
Auburn	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	
St John's	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	
USF	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	
Illinois	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	
Northwestern	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	
Indiana	0	0	0	.000	0	0	8	0	
Purdue	0	0	0	.000	0	0	7	0	

2015 SEAS	ON HIGHS						CATE	GORY							CAREE	R HIGH	
N/A							K	ills								N/A	
N/A							Atta	acks						1 vs. M	arquette (9	9/13/13)	
N/A							Hitting P	ercentage								N/A	
N/A							Ass	sists					1, 2x last at FGCU (9/14/13)				
N/A	Aces												1, 5	x, last vs. A	merican (9	9/12/14)	
	s. Indiana (10/16)																
	Blocks																
,																,	
CARAWAY'S	CAREER STA	TS															
SEASON	SP-MP	K	K/S	Е	TA	PCT	Α	A/S	SA	SA/S	DIG	D/S	BS	BA	ТВ	B/S	
2012	24-16	0	0.00	0	0	.000	1	0.04	3	0.12	5	0.21	0	0	0	0.00	
2013	24-21	0	0.00	0	1	.000	1	0.04	1	0.04	6	0.25	0	0	0	0.00	
2014	16-13	0	0.00	0	0	.000	1	0.06	1	0.06	7	0.44	0	0	0	0.00	
2015	16-11	0 0.00 0 0 .000 0 0.00 0 0.00 18 1								1.12	0	0	0	0.00			
CAREER	80-61	0	0.00									0.45	0	0	0	0.00	



KENDALL PIERCE

SENIOR | DS EDEN, N.Y.

2015 HIGHLIGHTS " Had two digs in her first collegiate start at libero against Buffalo (8/28) ... Had one ace and five digs against Villanova (8/29) ... Recorded two digs against No. 21 Colorado (9/4) ... Highlighted the Golden Dome Invitational with two digs at Notre Dame (9/12) ... Recorded two aces and two digs against St. John's (9/19) ... Matched a season-high mark with five digs against No. 16 Wisconsin (9/23) ... Logged a career-high 10 digs at No. 13 Illinois (10/9) ... Registered one ace and eight digs against Indiana (10/16).

2015 HONORS » Co-president of Athletes Take Action, an anti-bullying program for middle school students ... Senior CLASS Award Candidate.

2014 HIGHLIGHTS "Saw action in 37 of the team's 39 matches, totaling 47 digs and four aces ... Played in all three matches in a 3-0 opening weekend, highlighting the weekend with two digs against William & Mary (8/30) ... Had two digs against UCLA (9/6) ... Set a new season-high mark with three digs against Yale (9/13) ... Notched one kill and one ace at No. 16 Minnesota (9/27) ... Had two digs at No. 14 Purdue (10/17), at Indiana (10/18) and at Northwestern (11/26) ... Posted two aces and three digs in the NCAA second round match against Dayton (12/6) ... Logged three digs in the NCAA regional final match against Wisconsin (12/13) ... Had a career-high five digs in the NCAA national semifinal match against Stanford (12/18) ... Recorded two digs in the NCAA national title match against BYU (12/20).

2014 HONORS » 2014-15 Big Ten Distinguished Scholar ... Academic All-Big Ten. ... Student Athlete Advisory Board (SAAB) Treasurer.

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 sophomore on the team ... Majoring in health policy and administration with a minor in communication and sciences.

OPP.	K	Е	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	TB
Buffalo	0	0	0	.000	2	0	2	0
Stony Brook	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0
Villanova	0	0	0	.000	1	1	5	0
Colorado	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0
Stanford	0	1	0	1000	0	0	1	0
Eastern Kentucky	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0
Mississippi State	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0
Notre Dame	0	0	1	.000	0	0	2	0
Auburn	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0
St John's	0	0	0	.000	0	2	2	0
USF	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0
Wisconsin	0	0	0	.000	0	0	5	0
Minnesota	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0
Nebraska	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0
Iowa	0	0	0	.000	0	0	4	0
Illinois	0	0	0	.000	2	2	10	0
Northwestern	0	0	0	.000	0	0	6	0
Indiana	0	0	0	.000	1	1	8	0
Purdue	0	0	0	.000	1	0	5	0

2015 SEASO	N HIGHS		CATEGORYCAREER HIGH													
N/A							K	ills						1 at Mi	nnesota (9	/27/14)
1 vs. Notre Dar	me (9/12)						Atta	acks					1, 3x la	ast vs. Notr	e Dame (9	/12/15)
2, 2x last at Illi	nois (10/9)						Ass	sists						2, 2x last a	t Illinois (1	.0/9/15)
2, 2x last at Illi	nois (10/9)						Ad	ces					2, 2x last a	t Illinois (1	.0/9/15)	
10 vs. Illinois (:	10/9)						D	igs					10 a	t Illinois (1	.0/9/15)	
N/A							Blo	ocks								N/A
PIERCE'S CA	REER STATS															
SEASON	SP-MP	K	K/S	Ε	TA	PCT	Α	A/S	SA	SA/S	DIG	D/S	BS	BA	TB	B/S
2012	29-18	0	0.00	0	0	.000	2	0.07	9	0.31	7	0.24	0	0	0	0.00
2013	83-34	0	0.00	0	0	.000	1	0.01	7	0.08	21	0.25	0	0	0	0.00
2014	79-37	1	0.01	01 0 2 .500 2 0.03 4 0.05							47	0.59	0	0	0	0.00
2015	52-19	0	0.00	00 1 2500 7 0.13 6 0.12								1.12	0	0	0	0.00
CAREER	243-108	1	0.00	1	4	.000	12	0.05	26	0.11	133	0.55	0	0	0	0.00



CARLEY MULLER

JUNIOR | DS MANHATTAN BEACH, CALIF.

2015 MATC	2015 MATCH-BY-MATCH													
OPP.	K	Е	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	ТВ						
Stony Brook	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0						
Colorado	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0						
Eastern Kentucky	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0						
Mississippi State	0	0	0	.000	0	2	5	0						
Notre Dame	0	0	0	.000	0	0	3	0						
USF	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0						
Illinois	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0						

2015 HIGHLIGHTS » Made her 2015 debut against Stony Brook (8/29) ... Played against No. 21 Colorado (9/4) ... Had a career-high outing against Mississippi State (9/12), leading the team with two aces and logging five digs ... Posted three digs at Notre Dame (9/12) ... Saw action on the court at No. 13 Illinois (10/9).

2014 HIGHLIGHTS "A 2014-15 Big Ten Distinguished Scholar … 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) … Played at Iowa (10/4), vs. Northwestern (10/8), against No. 15 Illinois (10/11) and at Indiana (10/18) … Played against Michigan (10/24) … Made her NCAA tournament debut against Siena (12/5).

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) ... Made her NCAA Tournament debut against Siena (12/5).

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.

2015 SEASON	015 SEASON HIGHSCATEGORY														CAREE	R HIGH			
N/A							K	ills								N/A			
N/A						N/A													
N/A	Hitting Percentage												N/A						
1 vs. Eastern Ker	ntucky (9/11)						Ass	sists					1 vs	s. Eastern k	Kentucky (9	9/11/15)			
5 vs. Mississippi	State (9/12).						D	igs					5 v	s. Mississip	pi State (9)/12/15)			
			S .																
MULLER'S CAI	REER STATS	5																	
SEASON	SP-MP	K	K/S	Е	TA	PCT	Α	A/S	SA/S	SE	DIG	D/S	BS	BA	TB	B/S			
2013	7-7	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00			
2014	14-14	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	1	0.07	2	0.14	0	0	0	0.00			
2015	11-8	0	0.00	0	0	.000	1	0.09	2	0.18	8	0.73	0	0	0	0.00			
CAREER	32-29	0	0.00	0	0	.000	1	0.03	3	0.09	10	0.31	0	0	0	0.00			



LAURA BROERMAN

JUNIOR | DS COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo.

2015 HIGHLIGHTS » Will miss the 2015 season due to an injury.

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Saw action on the court against TCU (8/29), lona (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) ... Played at No. 17 Minnesota (9/27) ... Posted an ace at No. 8 Nebraska (10/3) ... Saw action against No. 15 Illinois (10/11) and at No. 14 Purdue (10/17) ... Had one ace against Michigan (10/24) ... Played against Ohio State (10/28).

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 Iowa (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 three 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.

BROERMAN'S	S CAREER S	TATS														
SEASON	MP-SP	K	Е	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	15-17	0	0	0	.000	0	2	3	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.12	0.18	0.00
CAREER	20-22	0	0	0	.000	0	3	5	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.14	0.23	0.00



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TAYLOR KRAUSE

JUNIOR | DS ALLENTOWN, Pa.

2015 HIGHLIGHTS " Had five digs and one ace against Stony Brook (8/29) Posted a career-high seven digs against Villanova (8/29) ... Posted four digs and one ace against No. 2 Stanford (9/5) ... Had an ace vs. EKU (9/11) ... Recorded one dig against No. 16 Wisconsin (9/23) ... Logged a career-high 10 digs against No. 21 Minnesota (9/26).

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Had one dig against UCLA (9/6) ... Posted two digs at Villanova (9/12) ... Matched a season-high mark with two digs at No. 17 Minnesota (9/27) ... Recorded her first collegiate ace at No. 8 Nebraska (10/3) ... Played in the NCAA title match vs. BYU (2/20).

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.

2015 MATCH-BY-MATCH	
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OPP.	K	E	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	TB
Buffalo	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0
Stony Brook	0	0	0	.000	1	1	5	0
Villanova	0	0	0	.000	0	1	7	0
Colorado	0	0	0	.000	0	1	2	0
Stanford	0	0	0	.000	1	1	4	0
Eastern Kentucky	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	0
Mississippi State	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0
Notre Dame	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0
Auburn	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0
USF	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0
Wisconsin	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0
Minnesota	0	0	0	.000	0	0	10	0
Nebraska	0	0	0	.000	0	1	4	0
Iowa	0	0	0	.000	1	0	4	0
Illinois	0	0	0	.000	1	0	2	0
Northwestern	0	0	0	.000	0	0	3	0
Indiana	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0

2015 SEAS	ON HIGHS					CATEGORY						CAREER HIGH							
N/A							K	ills		1, vs. Americ						9/12/14)			
				Assists															
1, 6x last vs. I		Aces							1, 6	Sx last vs. N	lebraska (1	10/2/15)							
						Digs													
KRAUSE'S	CAREER STAT	S																	
SEASON	SP-MP	K	K/S	Ε	TA	PCT	Α	A/S	SA	SA/S	DIG	D/S	BS	BA	TB	B/S			
2013	10-10	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0.00	5	0.50	0	0	0	0.00			
2014	29-20	1	0.03	0.03 0 1 1.000 0 0.00 1 0.03 8 0.28 0 0 0								0.00							

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HEIDI **THELEN**

SOPHOMORE | MB EDGEWOOD, KY.

2015 HIGHLIGHTS " Made her 2015 debut against Buffalo (8/28) with seven blocks … Posted three kills and a career-high nine total blocks against Stony Brook (8/29) … Recorded two digs and four blocks against Villanova (8/29) … Had four kills on .800 hitting against No. 21 Colorado (9/4), adding seven blocks … Recorded three kills and two blocks at Notre Dame (9/12) … Logged five kills on nine perfect swings against South Florida (9/19), adding five blocks … Recorded four blocks against No. 21 Minnesota (9/26).

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) … Made her NCAA tournament debut with a solo stuff against Siena to clinch the match (12/5).

PERSONAL "Born Heidi Ellen Thelen on Sept. 5, 1996 ... Parents are Ashley and Jon ... Has two brothers, Jake and Nick and two sisters, Hannah and Grace ... Names "Grey's Anatomy" as favorite TV show, pizza as her favorite food, Angelina Jolie and Ryan Gosling as favorite actress and actor ... Majoring in behavioral health.

2015 MATC	H-B)	/-MA	TCH					
OPP.	K	Е	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	ТВ
Buffalo	1	2	4	.250	0	0	1	7
Stony Brook	3	0	5	.600	0	0	0	9
Villanova	0	0	2	.000	1	0	2	4
Colorado	4	0	5	.800	0	0	0	7
Stanford	1	1	3	.000	0	0	1	3
Eastern Kentucky	1	1	5	.000	5	0	0	1
Mississippi State	0	1	3	333	0	0	1	1
Notre Dame	3	0	5	.600	0	0	1	2
Auburn	4	1	7	.429	0	0	0	4
St John's	3	0	10	.300	0	0	0	3
USF	5	0	9	.556	1	0	0	5
Wisconsin	1	1	5	.000	1	0	2	0
Minnesota	2	3	6	167	0	0	1	4
Nebraska	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0
Northwestern	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0
Indiana	1	0	2	.500	0	0	0	1
Purdue	0	1	1	500	0	0	0	0

2015 SEAS	ON HIGHSCATEGORY											CAREER HIGH														
5 at USF (9/1	9)						K	ills							5 at USF (9	9/19/15)										
													Attacks													
.800 (4-0-5) -	vs. Colorado (9/	4)	Hitting Percentage																							
5 vs. Eastern	Kentucky (9/11)		Assists									5 vs. Eastern Kentucky (9/11/15														
N/A			Aces													N/A										
2 vs. Villanova	a (8/29)					Digs							2 vs. Villanova (8/29													
9 vs. Stony Br	ook (8/29)					Blocks								9 vs. Sto	ny Brook (8	3/29/15)										
THELEN'S C	AREER STATS																									
SEASON	SP-MP	K	K/S	Е	TA	PCT	Α	A/S	SA/S	SE	DIG	D/S	BS	BA	TB	B/S										
2014	9-6	10	1.11	2	22	.364	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	0.11	0	6	7	0.78										
2015	47-17	29	0.62	11	72	.250	8	0.17	0	0.00	9	0.19	6	45	51	1.09										
CAREER	R 56-23 39 0.70 13 94						8	0.14	0	0.00	10	0.18	7	51	58	1.04										



ALI **FRANTTI**

SOPHOMORE | OH SPRING GROVE, ILL.

2015 HIGHLIGHTS » Led the team with 10 kills against Stony Brook (8/29) ... Posted 12 digs against Villanova (8/29) ... Tied for first on the team with a season-high 13 kills against No. 2 Stanford (9/5) ... Led the team with 11 kills and six digs against Mississippi State (9/12) ... Tied for first on the team with 14 kills at Notre Dame (9/12) ... Led the team with 14 kills against No. 16 Wisconsin (9/23), adding six digs ... Posted 13 kills and nine digs against No. 21 Minnesota (9/26) ... Tallied 11 digs and put down seven kills against No. 4 Nebraska (10/2), marking her second double-digit dig performance of the season ... Logged 10 kills and five digs at No. 13 Illinois (10/9) ... Recorded a match-high 11 digs, and a career-high six blocks against No. 18 Purdue (10/17).

2015 HONORS » Preseason All-Big Ten ... Penn State Classic All-Tournament Team ... Golden Dome Invitational All-Tournament Team.

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Led the team with 3.20 kills per set on .310 hitting ... Her 391 kills closed out the year ranked ninth in the Big Ten standings ... 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 with 14 kills on .619 hitting against UCLA (9/6) ... Highlighted the Villanova Classic with 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) ... Led the team with a match-high 19 kills at No. 8 Nebraska (10/3) ... Posted 10 kills and a matched a season-high mark with two aces at lowa (10/4) ... Ranked second on the team with 13 kills against No. 15 Illinois (10/11) ... Posted double-digit kills at No. 14 Purdue (10/17), adding seven digs ... Led the team with 15 kills against Michigan (10/24)on .429 hitting ... Put down 17 kills on .536 hitting in the regular season finale against Nebraska (12/29) ... Made her NCAA Tournament debut with nine kills and four digs against Siena (12/5) ... Finished second on the team with 16 kills and two aces in the NCAA national semifinals against top-ranked Stanford (12/18) ... Posted six kills and six digs in the NCAA title match against BYU (12/20).

2014 HONORS » AVCA DI National Freshman of the Year ... Second Team AVCA All-America ... AVCA All-Northeast Region & Freshman of the Year ... All-Big Ten honorable mention ... All-Big Ten Freshman team (unanimous) ... Big Ten Freshman of the Week (9/1, 9/8, 10/27) ... Penn State Classic Most Outstanding Player ... Big Ten/Pac-12 Challenge All-Tournament Team.

PERSONAL » Born Alexandra Annelise Frantti on March 3, 1996 in Highland Park, III. ... Parents are Kelly and Dan Frantti ... Has three brothers, Connor, Peyton and Chase ... Names "Cake Boss" as favorite TV show, "Miracle" as favorite movie, Emma Stone and Ryan Reynolds as favorite actress and actor.

2015 MATC	H-BY	-MA	ГСН					
OPP.	K	E	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	ТВ
Buffalo	3	3	13	.000	1	0	6	2
Stony Brook	10	1	24	.375	1	0	3	2
Villanova	9	2	24	.292	0	0	12	0
Colorado	7	7	27	.000	0	0	4	1
Stanford	13	6	35	.200	1	0	5	1
Eastern Kentucky	7	0	11	.636	0	0	3	1
Mississippi State	11	2	26	.346	0	0	6	0
Notre Dame	14	4	27	.370	0	1	4	0
Auburn	7	2	15	.333	1	0	6	2
St John's	8	4	19	.211	1	0	5	1
USF	4	2	9	.222	1	0	6	0
Wisconsin	14	3	25	.440	1	0	6	0
Minnesota	13	6	33	.212	0	0	9	1
Nebraska	7	4	31	.097	1	0	11	0
Iowa	7	0	14	.500	0	0	4	1
Illinois	10	4	28	.214	1	0	5	1
Northwestern	6	7	29	034	0	0	2	2
Indiana	5	3	23	.087	0	0	7	0
Purdue	9	2	22	.318	1	0	11	6

2015 SEASON HIGHS	CATEGORY	CAREER HIGH
14, 2x last vs. Wisconsin (9/23)	Kills	22 at Stanford (9/5/14)
35 vs. Stanford (9/5)	Attacks	48 at Purdue (10/17/14)
.636 (7-0-11) vs. Eastern Kentucky (9/11)	Hitting Percentage	
1, 2x last vs. Purdue (10/17)	Aces	
6 vs. Purdue (10/17)	Blocks	
FRANTTI'S CAREER STATS		
SEASON SP-MP K K/S E T	A PCT A A/S SA/S S	SE DIG D/S BS BA TB B/S
2014 122-39 391 3.20 113 8	98 .310 21 0.17 28 (0.23 159 1.30 10 48 58 0.48
2015 64-19 164 2.56 62 4	35 .234 11 0.17 3 (0.05 115 1.80 3 20 23 0.36
CAREER 186-58 555 2.98 175 1	333 .285 32 0.17 31 (0.17 274 1.47 13 68 81 0.44



SIMONE LEE SOPHOMORE | OH MENOMONEE FALLS, WIS.

2015 HIGHLIGHTS " Made appearances on the court in all three Penn State Classic matches, posting one kill against Buffalo (8/28) … Put down three kills on .500 hitting against No. 21 Colorado (9/4) … Logged two kills, two digs and once against Eastern Kentucky (9/11) … Came off the bench with four kills on .500 hitting at USF (9/19) … Recorded a season-high seven kills to go along with three digs and three blocks against No. 4 Nebraska (10/2) … Matched a season-high mark with seven kills on .353 hitting with three blocks against lowa (10/3) … Put away six kills at No. 13 Illinois (10/9) … Tied for first on the team with a career-high 14 kills at Northwestern (10/10), adding four blocks … Led the team in kills for the second straight match against Indiana (10/16) posting 10 kills for her second consecutive double figure-kill performance … Led the team with 12 kills against No. 18 Purdue (10/17).

2014 HIGHLIGHTS " Totaled 135 kills in her first season in the Blue and White ... Made 26 appearances on the court, including two starts ... Recorded double figure kills a total of five times during the year, while also leading the team in the category in three matches ... Tallied 25 total blocks on the year, including five solo stuffs ... 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) ... Ranked first on the team with 12 kills in the Big Ten opener at No. 5 Wisconsin (9/24) ... Came off the bench with four kills in the final set at Northwestern (11/26) ... Made her NCAA debut with six kills vs. Siena (12/6) ... Came off the bench with 12 kills in the NCAA regional finals vs. Wisconsin (12/13).

PERSONAL » Born Simone Alexandra Lee on Oct. 7, 1996 in Milwaukee, Wis. ... Parents are Karen and Arthur Lee ... Mother was a student-athletes at Drake ... Has one sister, who plays volleyball at Eastern Illinois Names "Modern Family" as her favorite TV show, pizza as her favorite food, Meryl Streep as favorite actress and reading and listening to music as hobbies ... Majoring in broadcast journalism.

2015 MATC	H-BY	-MA	ГСН					
OPP.	K	E	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	ТВ
Buffalo	1	0	1	1.00	0	0	0	0
Stony Brook	0	1	4	.250	0	0	0	0
Villanova	0	1	2	.500	0	0	0	0
Colorado	3	0	6	.500	0	0	0	1
Eastern Kentucky	2	1	5	.200	0	1	2	1
Mississippi State	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0
Auburn	1	1	2	.000	0	0	0	0
St John's	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0
USF	4	1	6	.500	0	0	0	1
Minnesota	1	0	1	1.00	0	0	0	0
Nebraska	7	6	26	.038	1	0	3	3
Iowa	7	1	17	.353	0	0	2	3
Illinois	6	4	19	.105	0	0	0	3
Northwestern	14	5	31	.290	0	0	1	4
Indiana	10	1	19	.474	0	0	0	2
Purdue	12	4	24	.333	0	0	2	1

2015 SEASO	N HIGHS		CATEGORY									CAREER HIGH								
14 at Northwest	tern (10/10)						K	ills					14 at Northwestern (10/10/15)							
31 at Northwest	tern (10/10)						Atta	acks												
.474 (10-1-19) v	vs. Indiana (10 _/	/16)					.Hitting P	ercentage												
1 vs. Eastern Ke	entucky (9/11)						Ac	ces			1 vs. Eastern Kentucky (9/									
3 vs. Nebraska	3 vs. Nebraska (10/2)							Digs						4 vs. William & Mary (8/30/14						
4 at. Northwest	ern (10/10)					Blocks							4	at Northw	estern (10	/10/15)				
LEE'S CAREE	R STATS																			
SEASON	SP-MP	K	K/S	Ε	TA	PCT	Α	A/S	SA	SA/S	DIG	D/S	BS	BA	TB	B/S				
2014	64-26	135	2.11	53	350	.234	1	0.02	0	0.00	28	0.44	5	20	25	0.39				
2015	39-16	68	1.74	26	163	.258	1	0.03	1	0.03	10	0.26	1	18	19	0.49				
CAREER	103-42	203	1.97	79	513	.242	2	0.02	1	0.01	38	0.37	6	38	44	0.43				



PIERCE

SOPHOMORE | DS EDEN. N.Y

2015 HIGHLIGHTS » Made her 2015 debut against Auburn (9/18), logging one dig ... Had one dig against South Florida (9/19) ... Had one dig against No. 16 Wisconsin (9/23) ... Posted a season-high two digs against Nebraska (10/2).

2014 HIGHLIGHTS " Played in 30 of the team's 39 total matches during her first season in the Blue and White … Totaled 11 service aces and 19 digs … Made her collegiate debut in the season-opener against TCU (8/29) … Played against both lona (8/30) and William & Mary (8/30), recording her first collegiate ace against the Gaels and two digs against the Tribe … Recorded one ace at No. 2 Stanford (9/5) … Made her Big Ten debut against No. 15 Illinois (10/11) … Had three digs against lowa (11/12) … Posted one ace against Minnesota (11/15) … Set a career-high mark with two aces and one dig against Maryland (11/8) … Matched acreer-high with two aces against Nebraska (11/29) … Saw action on the court in all six matches during the NCAA Tournament … Made her NCAA Tournament debut vs. Siena (12/5) … Recorded two digs in the NCAA second round match against Dayton (12/6) … Totaled a career-high three digs in the NCAA national title match against BYU (12/20).

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 Penn State track & field team from 1984-89 ... Sister, Kendall is a senior on the Nittany Lion women's volleyball team ... Names "Modern Family" as favorite TV show, Sarah Hyland and Jonah Hill as favorite actors and pizza as favorite food ... Plans to major in public relations and minor in human development and family studies.

PIERCE'S 2015 SEASON HIGHS

Kills:	N/A
Attacks:	1, 2x last - vs. Wisconsin (9/23)
Hitting Percentage:	N/A
Assists:	N/A
Aces:	1 - vs. Auburn (9/19)
Digs:	1, 2x last - vs. Wisconsin (9/23)
Blocks:	N/A

2015 MATCH-BY-MATCH

OPP.	K	E	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	TB	
Auburn	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	0	
St John's	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	
USF	0	0	1	.000	0	0	1	0	
Wisconsin	0	0	1	.000	0	0	1	0	
Minnesota	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	
Nebraska	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	
Indiana	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	

PIERCE'S CA	AREER STATS															
SEASON	SP-MP	K	K/S	Е	TA	PCT	Α	A/S	SA	SA/S	DIG	D/S	BS	BA	TB	B/S
2015	17-7	0	0.00	0	2	.000	0	0.00	1	0.06	5	0.29	0	0	0	0.00
CAREER	78-37	0	0.00	0	3	.000	4	0.05	12	0.15	24	0.31	0	0	0	0.00



HALEIGH WASHINGTON

SOPHOMORE | MB COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO.

2015 HIGHLIGHTS " Posted seven kills on .700 hitting with five blocks against Buffalo (8/29) … Recorded seven kills and four blocks against Stony Brook (8/29) … Logged six kills and six blocks against Villanova (8/29) … Had 12 kills on .526 hitting against No. 2 Stanford (9/5) … Led the team with nine kills against EKU (9/11) … Posted a team-high seven blocks against Miss. State (9/12) … Had 11 kills on .846 hitting against Auburn (9/18) … Logged her first career double figure blocking performance with 11 vs. St. John's (9/19) … Posted 10 kills on .750 hitting at USF (9/19) … Had 11 kills on .786 hitting against No. 16 Wisconsin (9/23), leading the team with three digs and five blocks … Recorded a season-high 13 kills against No. 21 Minnesota (9/26) … Led the team with nine blocks and 11 kills against No. 4 Nebraska (10/2) … Recorded 11 kills against lowa (10/3) … Led the team with seven blocks and 11 kills at No. 13 Illinois (10/9) …Tallied a team-high eight blocks at Northwestern (10/10) … Logged 10 kills on .588 hitting against No. 13 Purdue (10/17), adding nine blocks.

2015 HONORS » Preseason All-Big Ten ... B1G/Pac-12 Challenge MVP ... Big Ten Player of the Week (9/7, 9/21, 9/28) ... USF Invitational All-Tournament.

2014 HIGHLIGHTS " Her .463 hitting clip finished first on the team, while her 2.63 kills per set ranked third ... Made her collegiate debut against Yale (9/12), posting six kills ... Hit .700 with seven kills against UIC (9/20) ... Finished second on the team with a season-high 14 kills against No. 15 Illinois (10/11), while also leading the team with seven blocks ... Recorded nine kills and eight blocks at No. 14 Purdue (10/17) ... Tallied 10 kills against Michigan (10/24) ... Led the team with seven blocks, including three solo stuffs against No. 17 Ohio State (10/28) ... Set a career-high mark with nine total blocks at No. 17 Ohio State (10/31) ... Earned Big Ten Player of the Week honors for her performances against the Buckeyes ... Had back-to-back double-digit kill performances against Rutgers (11/7) and Maryland (11/8) ... Led the team with nine kills and six blocks in her NCAA Tournament debut v. Siena (12/5) ... Had 12 kills on .526 hitting with five blocks in the regional semifinals against UCLA (12/12) ... Put down 10 kills and five blocks in the regional finals against Wisconsin (12/13) ... Posted four blocks in the national finals against BYU (12/20).

2014 HONORS » Big Ten Freshman of the Year … Louisville Regional All-Tournament … Big Ten Player of the Week (11/3) … Big Ten Freshman of the Week (11/10, 11/17) … All-Big Ten … Big Ten Freshman of the Year … All-Big Ten Freshman team (unanimous).

PERSONAL "Born Haleigh Meridian Washington on Sept. 22, 1995 in Denver, Colo. … Parents are Danielle and Alecs … Has one brother, Kayden and one sister, Leilani … Names "Orange is the New Black" as favorite TV show, the "Frashington Omelet" as favorite food, Robin Williams as favorite actor, "Eat Pray Love" as her favorite book and reading, drawing and writing as hobbies … Majoring in Philosophy.

OPP.	K	Ε	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	TB
Buffalo	7	0	10	.700	0	1	0	5
Stony Brook	7	1	9	.667	0	0	1	4
Villanova	6	3	16	.188	0	0	4	6
Colorado	8	0	16	.500	0	1	1	4
Stanford	12	2	19	.526	1	0	4	3
Eastern Kentucky	9	2	15	.467	0	3	2	4
Mississippi State	8	1	13	.538	0	1	1	7
Notre Dame	5	0	13	.385	0	1	2	5
Auburn	11	0	13	.846	0	1	2	3
St John's	6	1	9	.556	0	1	3	11
USF	10	1	12	.750	0	0	1	0
Wisconsin	11	0	14	.786	0	2	3	5
Minnesota	13	4	27	.333	0	2	2	5
Nebraska	11	3	29	.276	0	1	1	9
lowa	11	5	19	.316	1	1	0	3
Illinois	11	3	27	.296	0	1	3	7
Northwestern	9	2	19	.368	0	0	1	8
Indiana	5	1	16	.250	0	0	3	3
Purdue	10	0	17	.588	0	0	1	9

2015 SEASON HIGHS					•••••	CATE	GORY	•••••						CAREER	HIGH
13 vs. Minnesota (9/26)						K	ills						14 at I	llinois (10/	/11/14)
29 vs. Nebraska (10/2)						Atta	acks						29 vs. Neb	raskaa (10	0/2/15)
.846 (11-0-13) vs. Auburn (9/															
1, 2x last vs. lowa (10/3)						Ass	sists					3	vs. Eastern	Illinois (9/	/19/14)
3 vs. Eastern Kentucky (9/11															
4, 2x last vs. Stanford (9/5)												4,	2x last vs.	Stanford (9	9/5/15)
11 vs. St John's (9/19)		Blocks											11 vs. St	John's (9/	/19/15)
WASHINGTON'S CAREER	STATS														
SEASON SP-MP	K	K/S	Ε	TA	PCT	Α	A/S	SA	SA/S	DIG	D/S	BS	BA	TB	B/S
2014 80-27	208	2.60	37	369 .463 5 0.06 0						23	0.29	17	79	96	1.20
2015 64-19	170	2.66	29	313	.3 .450 2 0.03 16 0						0.55	18	83	101	1.58
CAREER 144-46	378	2.62	66	682	.457	7	0.05	16	0.11	58	0.40	35	162	197	1.37



NIA **REED**

REDSHIRT FRESHMAN | OH FORT LEE, N.J.

2015 MAT	CH-E	BY-M	ATCH						
OPP.	K	E	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	TB	
Stony Brook	0	1	4	250	0	0	0	0	
E. Kentucky	3	0	3	1.00	0	0	0	0	
Northwestern	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	
Indiana	6	3	14	.214	0	0	0	2	
Purdue	3	3	9	.000	0	0	0	1	

2015 HIGHLIGHTS » Made her collegiate debut against Stony Brook (8/29) ... Had a career-high three kills without any attack errors against Eastern Kentucky (9/11) ... Made her Big Ten collegiate debut at Northwestern (10/10)... Tallied a career-high six kills to go along with a career-high two blocks against Indiana (10/16) ... Tallied three kills and one block against No. 13 Purdue (10/17).

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Redshirt 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 ... Names "Scandal" and "Game of Thrones" as favorite TV shows, Mexican as favorite food, Kerry Washington as favorite actress, and sleeping and interior decorating as favorite hobbies ... Majoring in Communications.

REED'S CARE	ER STATS															
2015	SP-MP	K	K/S	Ε	TA	PCT	Α	A/S	SA	SA/S	DIG	D/S	BS	BA	TB	B/S
	10-5	12	1.20	7	30	.167	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	3	3	0.30



BRYANNA WEISKIRCHER

REDSHIRT FRESHMAN | S ROCKFORD. ILL.

2015 HIGHLIGHTS » Made her collegiate debut against Buffalo (8/28), dishing out 18 assists to go along with three digs ... Had 30 assists and three digs against Stony Brook (8/29) ... Logged her third match with at least one ace against Villanova (8/29), adding 37 assists ... Had four digs and three blocks against No. 21 Colorado ... Paced four of her top attackers to double figure kills in the win against No. 2 Stanford (9/5) with a career-high 41 assists and eight digs ... Paced the team to a .361 hitting percentage in the win against EKU (9/11), dishing out 19 assists to go along with a team-high nine digs .. Had three kills and a career-high five total blocks against Mississippi State (9/12) ... Recorded four kills and 36 assists against Auburn (9/18) ... Posted her first double-double with 32 assists and 15 digs at South Florida (9/19) ... Paced the team to a .376 hitting percentage against No. 16 Wisconsin, dishing out 43 assists ... Logged a season-high 54 assists against No. 21 Minnesota (9/26), adding 12 digs for a double-double ... Dished out 46 assists, posting 11 digs against No. 4 Nebraska (10/2) ... Had 34 assists, 10 digs and a season-high three aces against lowa (10/3) ... Logged a double-double with 54 assists and 14 digs at No. 13 Illinois (10/9) ... Dished out 43 assists and 17 digs at Northwestern (10/10) marking her sixth double double of the season ... Posted a career-high six blocks against Indiana (10/16) ... Led the team from the service line with a career-high four aces against No. 13 Purdue (10/17), while also pacing the team to a .315 hitting clip.

 $\textbf{2015 HONORS} \\ \text{ ``Golden Dome Invitational All-Tournament Team ... USF Invitational All-Tournament.}$

2014 HIGHLIGHTS » Redshirt 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 Malia'okalani Weiskircher on May 25, 1996 in Rockford, Ill. ... Parents are Renita and Philip ... Has two brothers, Torey and Trevor and one sister, Natalie ... Names "Criminal Minds" as favorite TV show, steak as favorite food and hanging out with friends and family or watching the Blackhawks as hobbies ... Plans to major in Criminology.

2015 MATC	H-BY	-MA	ГСН					
OPP.	K	Е	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	ТВ
Buffalo	2	0	3	.667	18	1	3	0
Stony Brook	2	0	4	.500	30	1	3	2
Villanova	2	1	6	.167	37	1	7	2
Colorado	1	1	6	.000	18	2	4	3
Stanford	1	1	5	.000	41	1	8	1
Eastern Kentucky	0	0	2	.000	19	2	9	1
Mississippi State	3	0	4	.750	29	0	2	5
Notre Dame	0	2	5	.600	40	1	6	2
Auburn	4	1	7	.429	36	1	3	0
St John's	4	0	5	.800	31	2	2	4
USF	0	0	2	.000	32	0	15	0
Wisconsin	0	2	5	400	43	1	5	0
Minnesota	1	2	7	143	54	2	12	1
Nebraska	2	1	5	.200	46	0	11	3
Iowa	2	0	3	.667	34	3	10	1
Illinois	3	0	8	.375	54	0	14	3
Northwestern	0	0	0	.000	43	0	17	3
Indiana	2	1	6	.167	28	0	9	6
Purdue	1	1	3	.000	36	4	6	3

WEISKIRCHER	R'S CAREER	STATS	5													
2015	SP-MP	K	K/S	E	TA	PCT	Α	A/S	SA	SA/S	DIG	D/S	BS	BA	TB	B/S
	64-19	30	0.47	13	86	.198	669	10.45	21	0.33	146	2.28	2	39	41	0.64



TORI GORRELL

FRESHMAN | MB OAKVILLE, ONTARIO

Personal

Born Victoria Leigh McGregor Gorrell on March 11, 1997 in Hamilton, Ontario (Canada) ... Parents are Suzanne and Miles Gorrell ... Has one older sister ... Majoring in parks, tourism and recreation management ... Names "Scooby Doo" as favorite TV show, "The Notebook" as favorite book ... "Titanic" as favorite movie ... Blake Lively as favorite actress ... Calgary styled beef as favorite food and paddle boarding as favorite hobby.

High School

Attended Abbey Park High School ... Helped Abbey Park win the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Association AAA volleyball championship ... Led the team to an undefeated season as well as the Halton Tier I and Golden Horseshoe Athletic Conference AAA titles ... Played club volleyball with Toronto's Leaside, where she earned Ontario Volleyball Association (OVA) U17 All-Star honors in 2013-14 and Preseason Humber Tournament All-Star honors in 2014.

Why Penn State?

"I chose Penn state because of it's amazing atmosphere. The people in the stands and the people you pass by on campus make this university unique. The coaching staff and supporting staff are the best a program could have. Not to mention the respected academic side of things that will give me an amazing education. Every time I step foot on campus a smile never leaves my face."



JELENA **NOVAKOVIĆ**

FRESHMAN | RS BELGRADE, SERBIA

Personal

Born Jelena Novakovic on August 2, 1996 in Belgrade, Serbia ... Parents are Vesna and Vladimir Novakovic ... Father, Vladimir was a member of the Yugoslavian national handball team, earning silver at the World Cup in Stockholm and gold at the Mediterranean games in Greece in 1991 ... Has two brothers, Nikola and Marko ... Names "Friends" as favorite TV show, "Twilight" as favorite book, four cheese chicken as favorite food and watching movies and hanging out with friends as hobbies.

High School

Played club with Red Star Belgrade, helping the team to the National Cup in 2014 and a silver medal at the 2014 championship ... Named MVP of U17 International Belgrade Tournament ... Made back-to-back appearances in the European Champions League in 2013-14 with Red Star ... Earned gold medals at the European Championship with the U19 Serbian National team in 2014, as well as gold at the Balkan Championship in Subotica, Serbia.

Why Penn State?

"The decision to leave Europe and come to the United States was one of the biggest and most important decisions in my life. The main reason why I chose Penn State was because of the possibility to play volleyball at the highest level and get the best education. It is a program that will help me in my development as a person and player, making me better every day."



WILMA RIVERA

FRESHMAN | S CAROLINA, PUERTO RICO

2015 HIGHLIGHTS * Made her collegiate debut against Buffalo ... Had four assists and one dig against No. 21 Colorado (9/4) ... Had a career-high nine digs at South Florida (9/19) ... Made her B1G debut at Illinois (10/9), posting four digs.

Personal

Born Wilmarie Rivera Roldan on February 14, 1997 in San Juan, Puerto Rico ... Parents are Esmeralda and Wilmar Rivera ... Has two brothers, Wilmar and William ... Plans to major in biology or business.

High School

A four-year team captain and MVP at Saint Francis School ... Helped her team to the 2014 Puerto Rico Lopa El Nuevo Dia Championship ... Earned LACC All-State Best Setter and MVP honors in 2014 ... Also lettered in track and field and softball, helping her softball team to an LACC championship in 2014 ... Member of the Puerto Rican National Team ... Named Best Setter at Copa Pan Americana U18 in 2013, while also earning silver with her team ... Earned the bronze medal at the NORCECA U18 games in 2013.

Why Penn State?

"I chose Penn State because it is the best school and the best volleyball program. Penn State has an excellent academic program. It is a program that will help me in my development as a person and player, making me better every day."

2015 MATCH-BY-MATCH

OPP.	K	E	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	TB
Buffalo	0	0	0	.000	8	0	4	0
Stony Brook	0	0	0	.000	5	0	3	0
Colorado	0	0	0	.000	3	0	1	0
Eastern Kentucky	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0
Auburn	0	0	0	.000	1	1	2	0
St John's	0	0	0	.000	1	2	2	0
USF	0	0	0	.000	2	1	9	0
Wisconsin	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0
Minnesota	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0
Illinois	0	0	0	.000	0	0	4	0
Northwestern	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	0

RIVERA'S CAREER STATS

2015	SP-MP	K	K/S	Ε	TA	PCT	Α	A/S	SA	SA/S	DIG	D/S	BS	BA	TB	B/S
	24-11	0	0.00	0	0	.000	21	0.88	5	0.21	28	1.17	0	0	0	0.00



HOLCOMB

FRESHMAN | DS BELVILLE, TEXAS

2015 HIGHLIGHTS "Made her collegiate debut against Buffalo (8/29), posting a career-high 10 digs ... Earned two starts at the libero position against Stony Brook (8/29) and Villanova (8/29), recording nine digs against the Seawolves ... Logged seven digs against No. 21 Colorado (9/4) and eight digs against No. 2 Stanford (9/5) ... Recorded back-to-back 20-dig performances in the same day, with a teamhigh mark against Mississippi State (9/12) and Notre Dame (9/12) ... Notched her third consecutive double-digit dig performance with a team-high 17 digs against Auburn (9/18) ... Logged 10 digs at South Florida (9/19) ... Had six digs against No. 16 Wisconsin (9/23) ... Posted a team-high 18 digs against No. 21 Minnesota (9/26) ... Led the team with a career-high 23 digs against No. 4 Nebraska (10/2), marking her seventh double-digit dig performance of the year...Recorded back-to-back double-digit dig performances at No. 13 Illinois (10/9) and Northwestern (10/10), posting 15 against the Wildcats ... Led the defense for the ninth time this season with 15 digs against Indiana (10/16) ... Scooped up nine digs agianst No. 13 Purdue (10/17).

PERSONAL "Born Keeton Laurence Holcomb on March 4, 1997 in Bryan, Texas ... Parents are Stacy and Tom Holcomb ... Has two younger siblings, brother Harrison and sister, Jolie ... Names "The Office" as favorite TV show, "Looking for Alaska" as favorite book ... Reading and hiking as hobbies and her grandma's chicken and dumplings as her favorite food ... Undecided on a major.

HIGH SCHOOL » A four-year letterwinner and team MVP at Bellville High School in Bellville, Texas ... Team captain in 2014 ... Earned AAA First Team All-State honors in 2013-14, in addition to Texas Sports Writers Association and Texas Girls Coaching Association first team All-State awards in 2013 ... Named District Defensive MVP in 2011-12, while also earning first team All-District honors in 2014 ... A MaxPreps Second Team Volleyball All-American ... Named to 2014 Under Armour All-American Watch List ... Played club with Houston Juniors, earning 2012 All-Texas Team honorable mention honors ... Four-time Academic All-District and member of the National Honor Society.

WHY PENN STATE? "On top of the fact that Penn State's volleyball program is one of the best in the country, it has been a childhood dream of mine to attend and represent this University's jersey through volleyball. Also, I was drawn to the high academic reputation."

2015 MATC	Н-В	Y-MA	ATCH					
OPP.	K	Ε	TA	PCT.	Α	SA	D	TB
Buffalo	0	0	0	.000	3	0	10	0
Stony Brook	0	0	0	.000	0	1	9	0
Villanova	0	0	0	.000	2	1	4	0
Colorado	0	0	0	.000	1	0	7	0
Stanford	0	0	0	.000	1	0	8	0
Eastern Kentucky	0	0	0	.000	1	0	8	0
Mississippi State	0	0	0	.000	1	0	20	0
Notre Dame	0	0	0	.000	2	0	20	0
Auburn	0	0	0	.000	0	0	17	0
St John's	0	0	0	.000	0	0	3	0
USF	0	0	1	.000	2	0	10	0
Wisconsin	0	0	0	.000	1	0	6	0
Minnesota	0	0	0	.000	6	1	18	0
Nebraska	0	0	0	.000	3	0	23	0
lowa	0	0	0	.000	5	0	5	0
Illinois	0	0	0	.000	3	0	13	0
Northwestern	0	0	0	.000	3	1	15	0
Indiana	0	0	0	.000	4	0	15	0
Purdue	0	0	0	.000	1	0	9	0

HOLCOMB'S	S CAREER STA	ATS														
2015	SP-MP	K	K/S	Е	TA	PCT	Α	A/S	SA	SA/S	DIG	D/S	BS	BA	TB	B/S
	63-19	0	0.00	0	1	.000	39	0.62	4	0.06	220	3.49	0	0	0	0.00

Match 1: #1 Penn State 3, Buffalo 0

Aug. 28, 2015 - University Park, Pa. | Rec Hall

				Att	tack			Sei	ve			E	Block	(- 1	
#	Buffalo	s	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	вн	Pts
4	HATCHETT, Amber	3	4	3	9	.111	0	3	2	0	2	0	1	1	0	7.5
5	WATKINS, Valisha	2	0	7	10	700	0	0	2	1	2	0	1	0	0	0.5
7	LIPSKI, Megan	3	5	4	23	.043	0	0	0	0	9	0	1	0	0	5.5
9	PRINZBACH, Marissa	3	0	0	0	.000	21	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	1	0.0
10	LAIN, Akeila	3	8	11	26	115	0	0	1	0	3	0	1	0	0	8.5
14	SHADO, Cassie	3	7	3	15	.267	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	8.0
2	BOZINOSKI, Niki	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	1	3	10	0	0	0	0	0.0
8	OOYAMA, Tessa	2	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
11	JORDAN, Raven	1	0	2	4	500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Totals	3	24	30	87	069	23	3	7	4	31	0	6	1	1	30.0

Tear	Team Attack By Set											
Set	K	Е	TΑ	Pct	Sideout	Pct						
1	10	10	27	.000	10-24	41%						
2	8	11	33	091	10-25	40%						
3	6	9	27	111	9-24	37%						
					29-73	39%						

SET SCORES	1
Buffalo (0)	18
Penn State (3)	25

rds:

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 3.0

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 12.0

				Att	tack			Sei	rve			E	Block	(1
#	Penn State	s	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	BA	BE	ВН	Pts
4	Rivera, Wilma	3	0	0	0	.000	8	0	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	0.0
5	Frantti,Ali	3	3	3	13	.000	1	0	1	0	6	0	2	0	0	4.0
14	Whitney, Aiyana	3	11	3	20	.400	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	12.5
15	Washington, Haleigh	3	7	0	10	.700	0	1	2	0	0	1	4	0	0	11.0
17	Courtney, Megan	3	8	2	25	.240	0	1	1	2	4	0	4	0	0	11.0
19	Thelen,Heidi	3	1	2	4	250	0	0	0	0	1	2	5	0	0	5.5
2	Caraway,Lara	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
3	Pierce, Kendall	2	0	0	0	.000	2	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0.0
12	Holcomb, Keeton	2	0	0	0	.000	3	0	1	0	10	0	0	0	0	0.0
13	Krause, Taylor	3	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1.0
21	Weiskircher, Bryanna	3	2	0	3	.667	18	1	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	3.0
22	Lee,Simone	3	1	0	1	1.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0
	Totals	3	33	10	76	.303	32	4	9	3	32	3	18	0	0	49.0

Team Attack By Set											
Set	K	E	TΑ	Pct	Sideout	Pct					
1	10	4	24	.250	11-19	57%					
2	12	2	25	.400	10-12	83%					
3	11	4	27	.259	10-17	58%					
					31-48	64%					

Site: University Park, Pa. (Recreation Building)
Date: Aug 28, 2015 Attend: 2252 Time: 1:11
Referees: Mike Paull, Carla Bunner
Penn State Classic Match 2.

	1	2	3	Total
Tie scores	3	0	2	- 5
Lead change	2	0	1	3

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. - Top-ranked Penn State swept past Buffalo in three sets to capture a 3-0 season-opening victory.

Redshirt senior Aiyana Whitney fueled the offense with a match-high 11 kills on .400 hitting, adding three blocks.

Sophomore Heidi Thelen led the blocking unit with a career-high seven blocks, including two solo stuffs. Freshman Keeton Holcomb posted a team-high 10 digs in her first collegiate outing, stepping into the libero role in the second and third sets.

Redshirt freshman Bryanna Weiskircher and freshman Wilma Rivera both made their collegiate debuts at the setting position. Weiskircher tallied 18 assists, three digs, two kills and an ace, while Rivera posted eight assists and four digs.

Penn State opened the match on a 7-4 advantage for an early lead. Buffalo responded with a kill and a block to narrow the gap to one, 7-6. The Nittany Lions responded with a 6-2 streak to widen the lead to five, 13-8. Buffalo battled back with five unanswered points to tie the frame at 13-all.

Sophomore Ali Frantti broke open the knotted frame with a kill, beginning a 5-1 streak that lifted PSU ahead, 18-14.

The Bulls looked to cut off the momentum with a kill, 18-15, but Penn State regrouped with a 6-3 stretch to guide PSU to set point, 24-18. A Buffalo attack error on the next play secured a 25-18 win in the opening frame for the Nittany Lions.

The Nittany Lions got out to a hot start in the second set, using a 7-1 run for a solid advantage. Buffalo answered with a quick 3-1 spurt to trim the lead to four, 8-4. Washington sparked a 5-1 run with a kill to vault PSU ahead, 13-5. A Buffalo kill and a Penn State attack error gave the Bulls an opportunity, 13-7 but PSU rallied back with a 7-2 run to double the lead. 20-9.

Penn State continued to roll, as Courtney sparked a 5-3 stretch with a kill to carry the Nittany Lions to a 25-12 win in the second set.

Penn State and Buffalo kept it tight early in the third set. Tied at 7-7, sophomore Taylor Krause served up an ace to open up a 5-1 streak that pulled PSU ahead by four, 12-8. Buffalo responded with a 4-1 stretch to climb within one, 13-12. Penn State and Buffalo traded service errors, before a kill from Whitney opened up a 4-0 strike that send PSU ahead 18-13, prompting the Bulls to call a timeout.

Buffalo came out of the break with a kill, 18-14, but Penn State regrouped with a 7-2 run to close out the third set with a 25-16 win to complete the sweep.

Match 2: #1 Penn State 3, Stony Brook 0

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			Attack				Sei	ve			E	Block	k		l	
#	Stony Brook	s	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	ВН	Pts
1	BROOKS, McKyla	3	8	6	20	.100	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	8.5
3	KATH, Morgan	3	0	0	0	.000	28	1	2	0	8	0	2	0	1	2.0
7	AMORY, Melann	3	5	3	13	.154	0	0	1	0	6	0	0	0	0	5.0
8	FLETCHER, Kathy	3	13	8	36	.139	0	1	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	14.0
12	WILSON, Taylor	3	4	4	14	.000	0	0	0	0	4	0	1	1	0	4.5
13	HATHAWAY, Lo	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
11	VOGEL, Nicole	3	0	0	0	.000	2	0	0	2	10	0	0	0	0	0.0
14	BOWMAN, Cydney	3	1	3	9	222	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	2.0
	Totals	3	31	24	92	.076	30	3	7	4	32	0	4	1	1	36.0

Tean	Team Attack By Set											
Set	K	Е	TA	Pct	Sideout	Pct						
1	9	7	29	.069	10-25	40%						
2	7	11	32	125	10-24	41%						
3	15	6	31	.290	14-25	56%						

 SET SCORES
 1
 2
 3
 Team Records:

 Stony Brook (0)
 13
 13
 20
 0-2

 Penn State (3)
 25
 25
 25
 2-0

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 2.0

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 13.5

				Att	tack			Sei	rve			E	Block	k		
#	Penn State	s	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	вн	Pts
5	Frantti,Ali	3	10	1	24	.375	1	0	1	1	3	0	2	0	0	11.0
14	Whitney, Aiyana	3	6	2	16	.250	0	0	0	0	1	0	5	0	0	8.5
15	Washington, Haleigh	3	7	1	9	.667	0	0	1	0	1	0	4	0	0	9.0
17	Courtney, Megan	3	11	0	17	.647	0	1	0	1	9	0	4	0	0	14.0
19	Thelen,Heidi	3	3	0	5	.600	0	0	0	0	0	1	8	0	0	8.0
21	Weiskircher, Bryanna	3	2	0	4	.500	30	1	1	0	3	0	2	0	1	4.0
2	Caraway,Lara	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
3	Pierce,Kendall	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
4	Rivera, Wilma	2	0	0	0	.000	5	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0.0
6	Reed,Nia	2	0	1	4	250	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
10	Muller, Carley	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
12	Holcomb,Keeton	3	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	1	9	0	0	0	0	1.0
13	Krause, Taylor	2	0	0	0	.000	1	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	1.0
22	Lee,Simone	1	0	1	4	250	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Totals	3	39	6	83	.398	37	4	5	3	35	1	25	0	1	56.5

Team Attack By Set											
Set	K	E TA	Pct	Sideout	Pct						
1	17	2 28	.536	10-13	76%						
2	10	1 26	.346	11-14	78%						
3	12	3 29	.310	14-20	69%						
				35-47	74%						

Site: University Park, Pa. (Recreation Building)
Date: Aug 29, 2015 Attend: Time: 1:08
Referees: Carla Bunner, Nathan Mahaven
Penn State Classic Match 4.

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2	0	4	6
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UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. - Behind double figure kills from senior Megan Courtney and sophomore Ali Frantti, No. 1 Penn State swept past Stony Brook in three sets.

Penn State out-blocked Stony Brook 13.5 to 2.0, led by multi-block performances from six different Nittany Lions. Sophomore Heidi Thelen led the group for the second consecutive outing, totaling nine blocks. Redshirt senior Aiyana Whitney tallied five blocks and six kills, while sophomore Haleigh Washington added four blocks and seven kills.

Tied at 3-3 early in the first set, Penn State cracked open the tied score with a 7-2 run to double the advantage, 10-5, prompting Stony Brook to call a timeout. Penn State and Stony Brook traded points out of the break, with the Seawolves using a 5-4 stretch to arrive within four, 14-10. Regrouping, Penn State put together a 9-3 run to construct a double digit lead, 23-13.

The Seawolves called a timeout looking to put an end to the run, but Washington came out of the huddle with a kill to make it set point, 24-13. Washington and Weiskircher teamed up for a block on the next play to secure a 24-13 win in the first set.

Penn State shot out to a 5-1 lead in the second set, capped off by back-to-back blocks. The Seawolves looked to break up the momentum with a kill, 5-2, but the Nittany Lions responded with a kill and an ace to make it 7-2. Stony Brook managed to cut off the run, 7-3, but PSU surged ahead on a 9-5 strike to bolster the lead, 16-8.

A Penn State service error and a Stony Brook kill put the Seawolves within six, 16-10, but Penn State didn't let its advantage dip below the mark for the remainder of the frame, locking up a 25-13 win to enter the intermission with a 2-0 lead.

The Nittany Lions and the Seawolves kept it close in the first half of the third set. Tied at 13-13, Penn State followed Stony Brook attack error with an ace from junior Taylor Krause to pull ahead 15-13. The Seawolves responded with a kill, 15-14, but the Nittany Lions answered with two quick points to stay on top, 17-14.

Stony Brook came storming back with four unanswered points to tie the score, 17-17. Frantti halted the momentum with three consecutive kills to lift the Nittany Lions ahead by two, 20-18. Thelen responded with a kill to spark a 4-1 stretch that pushed PSU to set point, 24-19. The Seawolves held off one attempt before Courtney closed out a 25-20 win in the third set to complete the sweep.

Match 3: #1 Penn State 3, Villanova 0

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		- 1	Attack				Sei	ve				(
#	Villanova	S	K E TA Pct As		Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	BA	BE	ВН	Pts		
4	PETTIT, Emma	3	2	1	7	.143	39	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	3.0
6	CRUTCHFIELD, Claire 3		8	2	21	.286	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	8.5
15	PETHOKOUKIS, Gabby		6	3	18	.167	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	7.5
18	CARPENTER, Lauren			4	26	.231	0	0	0	2	8	0	1	0	0	10.5
28	LOITZ, Allie	3	11	7	34	.118	2	1	2	1	7	0	2	1	0	13.0
99	PEDERSON-HENRY, A.	3	7	1	17	.353	1	0	0	0	9	0	1	0	0	7.5
2	DWYER, Anna	3	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1.0
7	ADAMS, Michelle	3	0	0	0	.000	2	0	1	1	18	0	0	0	0	0.0
9	BERENDT, Michaela	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
17	FITZGERALD, Allison	3	0	0	1	.000	0	0	1	0	9	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Totals	3	44	18	124	.210	44	3	5	4	58	0	8	1	1	51.0

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 4.0

Set	K	E TA	Pct	Sideout	Pct					
1	15	7 43	.186	13-25	51%	SET SCORES	1	2	3	Team Records:
2	16	4 43	.279	17-24	70%	Villanova (0)	20	23	21	2-1
3	13	7 38	.158	14-25	56%	Penn State (3)	25	25	25	3-0
				44-74	50%					

		Attack					Sei	rve			E	Block	k			
#	Penn State S	1	K E TA Pct		Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	ВН	Pts		
5	Frantti,Ali 3	3	9	2	24	.292	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	9.0
14	Whitney, Aiyana 3	3	14	2	28	.429	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	2	0	15.0
15	Washington, Haleigh	3	6	3	16	.188	0	0	2	0	4	1	5	0	0	9.5
17	Courtney, Megan 3			1	0	0	13	0	4	0	0	19.0				
19	Thelen, Heidi 3	3		0	2	.000	1	0	0	0	2	0	3	1	0	1.5
21	Weiskircher, Bryanna 3	3	2	1	6	.167	37	0	2	1	7	0	2	0	0	3.0
3	Pierce, Kendall 3	3	0	0	0	.000	1	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	1.0
12	Holcomb, Keeton 3	3	0	0	0	.000	2	1	1	2	4	0	0	0	0	1.0
13	Krause, Taylor 3	3	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	1.0
22	Lee,Simone 1			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0				
	Totals 3	3	47	12	121	.289	43	4	5	3	55	1	16	3	0	60.0

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 9.0

Set	K	E TA	Pct	Sideout	Pct
1	14	3 39	.282	13-20	64%
2	18	5 45	.289	18-24	75%
3	15	4 37	.297	14-21	66%
				45-65	69%

Team Attack By Set

Team Attack By Set

Site: University Park, Pa. (Recreation Building) Date: Aug 29, 2015 Attend: 3716 Time: 1:29 Referees: Nathan Mahaven, Carla Bunner Penn State Classic Match 6.

	1	2	3	Tota
Tie scores	7	13	7	27
Lead change	2	4	3	9

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. - No. 1 Penn State claimed the Penn State Classic title with a 3-0 win against Villanova. Megan Courtney earned Penn State Class Most Outstanding Player honors while Aiyana Whitney and Ali Frantti joined her on the All-Tournament Team

Five different Nittany Lions logged multi-block performances, led by six total blocks from sophomore Haleigh Washington.

Penn State and Villanova opened the match trading points early to keep the score tight. Tied up at 10-all, PSU used a 3-0 streak capped off by a kill from Courtney to go up 13-10, causing the Wildcats to call a timeout. The Nittany Lions came out of the break with an ace and a kill, but Villanova answered with three consecutive kills to move within two, 15-13.

Whitney sparked a guick 3-0 spurt with back-to-back kills to put Penn State ahead 18-13, prompting Villanova to call its final timeout of the frame. The Wildcats broke up the run with a kill, 18-14, but a Nova attack error and a kill from Courtney widened the margin to six, 20-14. Villanova responded with a 3-0 strike to trim the lead back to three, 20-17.

Courtney and Frantti put away a pair of kills to open a 4-2 stretch that carried Penn State to set point, 24-19. The Wildcats held off one attempt before Frantti put down a kill to secure a 25-20 win in the first set.

Tied up at 14-14 in set two, Washington and Frantti paired up for back-to-back kills to build a two-point cushion, 16-14, prompting Villanova to call a timeout. Penn State and Villanova traded points out of the break, 17-16, before a kill from Frantti and a Nova error moved PSU up, 19-16.

Making a late rally, Villanova responded with a 7-4 scoring streak to knot the stanza, 23-23, forcing Penn State to call a timeout. Washington and Weiskircher came out of the break with a block to cut off the momentum and make it set point for Penn State, 24-23. Villanova looked to regroup with a timeout, but a Wildcat attack error on the next play handed PSU a 25-23 win in the second set.

Trailing by one, 11-10, in set three, Villanova used a 6-4 stretch remain on top, prompting PSU to call a timeout. PSU came out of the break firing, using a 3-0 streak to knot the frame, 17-17. Villanova called a timeout in an effort to regroup, but an ace from Courtney and a kill from Washington lifted PSU ahead, 19-17.

The Wildcats answered back with a kill to remain within one, 19-18, but Penn State used a 6-3 run down the stretch to close out a 25-21 win in the third set to secure the victory.

Match 4: #1 Penn State 3, #21 Colorado 0

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			Attack				Sei	rve			E	3loc	K				
#	Colorado	s	K E TA Pct Ast		SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	BA	BE	ВН	Pts				
3	Austin, Alexis	3	8	10	29	069	0	0	2	1	2	0	1	0	0	8.5	
4	Pfefferle, Anna	3	3	3	10	.000	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	5.0	
5	Edelman, Nicole 3		7	4	21	.143	20	1	2	2	2	0	1	1	0	8.5	
11	D'Agosta, Abbie	3	3 1 0 1 1.000 0		0	2	1	12	0	0	0	0	1.0				
13	Simpson, Gabby	3	6	8	23	087	11	0	1	0	15	0	0	0	0	6.0	
14	Abu, Naghede	3	8	1	12	.583	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	9.5	
2	Shadley, Stephanie	3	1	1	4	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1.5	
7	Carta-Samuels, Gabby	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
8	Cuff, Katelyn	3	1	0	2	.500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	
9	Lea, Aidan	3	3 0 2 7286 0 0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0				
10	Simpson, Cierra	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	1	9	0	0	0	0	0.0	
	Totals	3	35	29	109	.055	31	3	11	5	42	Ιo	6	3	0	41.0	

Team Attack By Set

	n Atta							TO	DTAL	TEAM BLOCKS: 3.0
Set	ΚI	E TA	Pct	Sideout	Pct					
1	12 1	0 31	.065	12-25	47%	SET SCORES	1	2	3	Team Records:
2	10 1	1 41	024	13-24	54%	Colorado (0)	19	21	18	2-2
3	13	8 37	.135	12-25	47%	Penn State (3)	25	25	25	4-0
				37-74	50%					

			1													
			Attack			Sei	rve			Block		(ĺ		
#	Penn State	s	K E TA Pct As		Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	вн	Pts		
5	Frantti,Ali	3	7	7	27	.000	0	0	1	2	4	0	1	0	0	7.5
14	Whitney, Aiyana	3	3	3	15	.000	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	5.0
15	Washington, Haleigh	3	8	0	16	.500	0	1	1	0	1	1	3	2	0	11.5
17	Courtney, Megan	3	3	2	18	.056	2	1	1	0	12	1	2	0	0	6.0
19	Thelen,Heidi		4	0	5	.800	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	7.5
21	Weiskircher, Bryanna	3	1	1	6	.000	18	2	1	0	4	1	2	0	0	5.0
3	Pierce,Kendall	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0.0
4	Rivera, Wilma	2	0	0	0	.000	4	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
10	Muller, Carley	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
12	Holcomb, Keeton	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	1	7	0	0	0	0	0.0
13	Krause,Taylor	2	0	0	0	.000	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	1.0
22	Lee,Simone	1	3	0	6	.500	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3.5
	Totals	3	29	13	93	.172	26	5	7	3	33	3	20	2	0	47.0

Team Attack By Set

Set	K	E TA	Pct	Sideout	Pct	
1	7	3 24	.167	12-19	63%	Site: University Park, Pa. (Recreation Building)
2	10	8 41	.049	14-22	63%	Date: Sep 04, 2015 Attend: 3148 Time: 1:24
3	12	2 28	.357	12-18	66%	Referees: James Kuziela, Brian Hemelgarn
				38-59	64%	Big 10-Pac 12 Challenge.

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Tie scores	1	0	0	1
Lead change	1	0	0	1

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. - Multi-block performances from five different Nittany Lions pushed No. 1 Penn State past No. 21 Colorado in straight sets in the first match of the Big Ten/Pac-12 Challenge.

Penn State owned a 13.0-3.0 advantage in team blocks against the Buffaloes, led by a match-high seven blocks from sophomore Heidi Thelen. Redshirt senior Aiyana Whitney and sophomore Haleigh Washington added four total blocks each.

Tied up at 4-4 early in the opening frame, a service ace from Taylor Krause sparked a 6-1 streak that sent the Nittany Lions ahead, 10-5, causing the Buffs to call a timeout. Courtney looked to extend the momentum out of the break with an ace. 11-5, but Colorado followed with a 6-1 stretch to climb within one, 12-11.

A kill from Thelen and an ace from Weiskircher opened up a 4-0 strike capped off by back-to-back blocks, lifting Penn State up by as many as five, 16-11. A Nittany Lion attack error broke up the streak, 16-12, but PSU regrouped with a 7-3 run to take over an eight-point lead, 23-15.

The Buffaloes looked to spark a comeback with three unanswered points, 23-18, but Washington put down a kill to make it set point, 24-18. The Buffs held off one attempt before Frantti put away the final kill to secure a 25-19 win.

Penn State shot out to a 6-0 lead in the second set, prompting Colorado to call an early timeout. Colorado came out of the break with a 6-3 stretch to arrive within three, 9-6. Courtney followed with a solo stuff, 10-6, but the Buffs continued to match the Nittany Lions point-for-point, to pull within four, 14-10.

PSU managed to remain within four points heading down the stretch. Leading by four, 21-17, a Colorado kill trimmed the Nittany Lion lead back to three, 21-18. Penn State answered back with a quick 3-0 burst to arrive at set point, 24-18.

Rallying, a Colorado block and a PSU attack error brought the Buffs back within four, 24-20, prompting Penn State to call a timeout. The Buffaloes came out of the break with a block, 24-21, but served into the net on the next attempt to hand Penn State a 25-21 win in the second set and a 2-0 lead in the match.

The Nittany Lions jumped out to a 9-2 start in the third stanza to build a seven-point cushion. The Buffs looked to cut off the run with a kill, 9-3, but Penn State followed with a 9-6 stretch to widen the margin to nine, 18-9. Colorado looked to start a run with a kill prior to a PSU attack error, 18-11, but the Nittany Lions used a 6-4 streak to arrive at set point, 24-15.

The Buffaloes made one final attempt to mount a comeback with three consecutive points, 24-18, but a kill from Frantti finished off a 25-18 win in the third set.

Match 5: #1 Penn State 3, #2 Stanford 0

43-73 58%

Sept. 5, 2015 - University Park, Pa. | Rec Hall

			Attack				Serve				Block					
#	Stanford	s			Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	ВН	Pts		
2	Benjamin, Sarah	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
3	Hodson, Hayley	3	16	2	31	.452	1	1	2	1	7	0	2	0	0	18.0
7	Vanjak, Ivana		3	1	6	.333	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	1	0	4.0
16	6 Howard, Brittany		15	1	29	.483	0	0	0	2	10	0	1	0	0	15.5
22	Bugg, Madi	3	1	1	6	.000	34	0	1	0	4	1	2	1	0	3.0
23	Burgess, Jordan	3	3	4	18	056	1	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	3.0
4	Humphreys, Kelsey	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
14	McKenna, Halland	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	1	1	9	0	0	0	0	0.0
17	Lutz, Merete	3	4	5	15	067	0	0	0	0	2	1	3	0	0	6.5
	Totals	3	42	14	105	.267	37	1	5	4	42	2	10	2	0	50.0

Team Attack By Set														
Set	K	Ε	TΑ	Pct	Sideout	Pct								
1	16	6	36	.278	15-24	62%								
2	12	4	35	.229	15-25	60%								
3	14	4	34	.294	13-24	54%								

	TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 7									
SET SCORES	1 2	18	Team Records:							
Stanford (0)	21 22		3-1							
Penn State (3)	25 25		5-0							

		- 1	Attack			Serve			Block		c					
#	Penn State	s	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	ВН	Pts
5	Frantti,Ali	3	13	6	35	.200	1	0	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	13.5
14	Whitney, Aiyana	3	13	2	25	.440	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	14.5
15	Washington, Haleigh	3	12	2	19	.526	1	0	3	0	4	0	3	2	0	13.5
17	Courtney, Megan	3	11	1	25	.400	1	2	0	0	13	1	0	1	0	14.0
19	Thelen, Heidi	3	1	1	3	.000	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	1	0	3.0
21	Weiskircher, Bryanna	3	1	1	5	.000	41	1	1	1	8	0	1	3	0	2.5
3	Pierce, Kendall	3	0	1	1	-1.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
12	Holcomb,Keeton	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0.0
13	Krause, Taylor	3	0	0	0	.000	1	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	1.0
	Totals	3	51	14	113	.327	46	4	4	1	45	2	10	7	0	62.0

Team Attack By Set												
Set	K	Ε	TA	Pct	Sideout	Pct						
1	14	4	29	.345	16-22	72%						
2	19	7	46	.261	15-22	68%						
3	18	3	38	.395	14-19	73%						
					45-63	71%						

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 7.0

Site: University Park, Pa. (Recreation Building)
Date: Sep 05, 2015 Attend: 6055 Time: 1:34
Referees: Brian Hemelgarn, James Kuziela

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UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. - Behind double figure kills from four Nittany Lions, topranked Penn State powered past No. 2 Stanford in straight sets in front of a soldout Rec Hall crowd.

Big 10-Pac 12 Challenge

Trailing by four early in the first set, 9-5, Penn State used a 3-0 strike to pull within one, 9-8. The Cardinal quickly answered with a pair of kills to make it 11-8, prompting Penn State to call a timeout. A kill from Courtney and a block by Washington and Weiskircher out of the break pulled the Nittany Lions back within one, 11-10. The Cardinal continued to match the Nittany Lions point-for-point out of the break to maintain a two-point edge, 17-15.

Regrouping, a kill from Courtney and a pair of Stanford attack errors quickly tied the frame, 17-17. Stanford looked to pull away with a kill, 18-17, but Penn State continued to answer, tying the frame four more times. With the score knotted, 21-21, a Cardinal service error gave Penn State a critical one-point lead, 22-21, prompting Stanford to call a timeout. Weiskircher came out of the huddle with an ace, before sophomore Heidi Thelen and Whitney teamed up for a block to make it set point for the Nittany Lions, 24-21. A Stanford attack error on the next play sealed a 25-21 win in the opening set in favor of Penn State.

Penn State jumped out to a 5-2 lead for an early advantage in the second set. The Cardinal looked to cut off the momentum with a kill, 5-3, but back-to-back kills from Washington and Frantti opened a 3-0 strike that lifted Penn State ahead, 8-3. A PSU service error out of a Stanford timeout trimmed the lead back to four, 8-4, but kills from Frantti and Whitney lifted the Nittany Lions ahead, 10-4.

The Cardinal looked to halt the run with a kill, 10-5, but Penn State pulled away with a 4-2 stretch to double its advantage, 14-7. Stanford came storming back with an 8-1 streak to tie the score, 15-15. A kill from Washington brought PSU ahead by one, 16-15. Penn State and Stanford briefly traded points to tie up the score two times. Tied at 17-17, kills from Whitney and Courtney sparked a 4-2 stretch that pushed Penn State back on top, 21-19, causing Stanford to call a timeout. The Cardinal came out of the timeout with a kill to pull within one, 21-20, but Penn State rallied with a 4-2 run to secure a 25-22 win in the second set to bring PSU ahead 2-0 at the intermission.

Trailing by two in the third set, 13-1, PSU rallied with back-to-back kills from Frantti to spark a 6-0 run that vaulted the Nittany Lions ahead by three, 16-13, causing Stanford to call a timeout. Frantti came out of the break with a kill to continue the momentum, but the Cardinal responded with a pair of kills to shave the advantage to two, 17-15. Whitney broke up the Stanford rhythm with two consecutive kill, 19-15, opening up a 7-3 run that led the Nittany Lions to a 25-18 win in the third set to complete the sweep.

Match 6: #1 Penn State 3, Eastern Kentucky 0

Sept. 11, 2015 - South Bend, Ind. | Purcell Pavilion

				Att	tack			Sei	rve			E	Block	k	i	
#	Eastern Kentucky	s	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	BA	BE	ВН	
5	SANKS, Celina	3	9	8	31	.032	0	1	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	
7	PETERS, Ally	3	3	1	10	.200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
8	KOONS, Ciera	3	0	2	10	200	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	
9	BOYER, Johanna	3	4	5	15	067	13	1	2	0	2	0	1	0	0	
11	VICK, Rachel	3	1	3	10	200	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	
12	MAXWELL, Mallory	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	
1	ROJAS, Chloe	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	2	8	0	0	0	0	
2	KNUTSON, Cassie	3	0	1	1	-1.000	8	0	3	0	4	0	0	1	1	
3	HICKS, Danielle	3	5	3	9	.222	1	0	2	4	1	0	0	0	0	
	Totals	3	22	23	86	012	22	2	8	7	28	2	2	1	1	

Tean	n At	tac	k B	y Set
Set	K	Е	TΑ	Pct
1	7	8	29	034
2	8	10	36	056
3	7	5	21	095

 TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 3.0

 SET SCORES
 1
 2
 3
 Team Records:

 Eastern Kentucky (0)
 14
 13
 14
 1-8

 Penn State (3)
 25
 25
 6-0

				Att	ack			Sei	rve			E	Block	k	
#	Penn State	s	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	ВН
5	Frantti,Ali	3	7	0	11	.636	0	0	0	1	3	1	0	0	0
14	Whitney, Aiyana	3	8	2	15	.400	0	0	0	0	2	1	2	0	0
15	Washington, Haleigh	3	9	2	15	.467	0	3	2	0	2	1	3	0	0
17	Courtney, Megan	3	4	2	16	.125	4	0	2	0	6	0	0	0	0
19	Thelen, Heidi	3	1	1	5	.000	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
21	Weiskircher, Bryanna	3	0	0	2	.000	19	2	1	0	9	0	1	0	0
2	Caraway,Lara	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	Pierce,Kendall	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
1	Rivera, Wilma	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	Reed,Nia	1	3	0	3	1.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	Muller, Carley	1	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	Holcomb, Keeton	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	1	0	8	0	0	0	0
13	Krause, Taylor	1	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
22	Lee,Simone	2	2	1	5	.200	0	1	1	0	2	0	1	0	0
	Totals	3	34	8	72	.361	30	7	8	2	33	3	8	0	0

	realli Attack by Set												
	Set	K	E	TΑ	Pct								
Ī	1	10	2	23	.348								
	2	10	4	29	.207								
	3	14	2	20	.600								

Site: Notre Dame, IN (Purcell Pavilion)
Date: Sep 11, 2015 Attend: 946 Time: 1:07
Referees: Rod Rodriguez, Ray Mink, Nowak / Dinius

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 7.0

SOUTH BEND, Ind. - A balanced attack helped No. 1 Penn State to a straight set victory against Eastern Kentucky in the first match of the Golden Dome Invitational.

Five Nittany Lions recorded three or more kills in the Penn State win, led by nine kills from sophomore Haleigh Washington

Penn State shot out to a 4-0 lead in the match, featuring back-to-back aces from Weiskircher. Eastern Kentucky answered back with a kill before a PSU attack error brought the Colonels within one, 4-2. Frantti looked to spark a run with a kill, 5-2, but EKU matched the Nittany Lions point for point to arrive within one, 7-6.

A kill from Courtney made it 8-6, but a PSU service error and an Eastern Kentucky ace tied the score, 8-8. Penn State used a 3-0 strike to build the lead back to three, 11-8. A Penn State service error and an EKU kill moved the Colonels within one, 11-10. Three consecutive Eastern Kentucky errors sent Penn State ahead, 14-10. A PSU service error cut off the momentum, 14-11, but Penn State regrouped with an 8-2 stretch to surge ahead, 22-13.

Eastern Kentucky looked to get back on track after calling a timeout, but Penn State came out of the break with an ace to make it 23-13. The Colonels answered back with a kill, 23-14, but three straight errors gave Penn State a 25-14 win in the first set.

The Nittany Lions got out to another hot start in the second set using an 8-2 run for an early advantage. Looking to get back on track, the Colonels called a timeout and came out of the huddle with a kill to make it 8-3. An EKU service error pulled Penn State ahead 9-3, but the Colonels used a 3-0 spurt to arrive within three, 9-6.

A kill from Whitney and a block from Washington and Lee opened up an 11-4 Penn State run that bolstered the Nittany Lion advantage to double figures, 20-10. Looking to halt the run, Eastern Kentucky called its final timeout of the frame. Penn State came out of the break with a 5-3 stretch to secure a 25-13 win in the second set to go up 2-0 in the match.

Trailing by one early in the third set, 6-5, Washington put down a kill before teaming up with Weiskircher for a block to bring Penn State ahead, 7-6. EKU followed with a pair of errors to widen the Penn State advantage, 9-6. A Nittany Lion service error interrupted the rhythm, but PSU settled back into a 6-4 stretch to make it 15-10, prompting Eastern Kentucky to call a timeout.

The Colonels came out of the timeout with a kill and an ace to shave the advantage back to three, 15-12. From there, the Nittany Lions did not look back, using a 5-2 run to close out a 25-14 win in the third set to complete the sweep. Redshirt freshman Nia Reed finished off the victory with three consecutive kills in the streak.

Match 7: #1 Penn State 3, Mississippi State 0

Sept. 12, 2015 - South Bend, Ind. | Purcell Pavilion

				Att	ack			Sei	rve			E	Block	k		
#	Penn State	s	K	Е	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	вн	
5	Frantti,Ali	3	11	2	26	.346	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	
14	Whitney, Aiyana	3	5	2	13	.231	1	0	0	0	2	2	1	0	0	
15	Washington, Haleigh	3	8	1	13	.538	0	1	1	0	1	1	6	0	1	
17	Courtney, Megan	3	9	2	26	.269	4	0	0	1	7	1	2	0	0	
19	Thelen, Heidi	3	0	1	3	333	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	
21	Weiskircher, Bryanna	3	3	0	4	.750	29	0	0	0	2	1	4	0	0	
3	Pierce, Kendall	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	
10	Muller, Carley	2	0	0	0	.000	0	2	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	
12	Holcomb, Keeton	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	2	20	0	0	0	0	
13	Krause, Taylor	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
22	Lee,Simone	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	
	Team									1						
	Totals	3	36	8	85	.329	35	3	1	4	45	5	14	0	3	

Tea	Team Attack By Set											
Set	K	E TA Pct										
1	10	4 33 .182										
2	12	3 26 .346										
3	1/	1 26 500										

		TO	DTAL	TEAM BLOCKS: 12.0
SET SCORES Penn State (3) Mississippi State (0)	25	2 25 14	25	Team Records: 7-0 6-3

				At	tack			Sei	rve			E	Block	k	
#	Mississippi State	s	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	BA	BE	ВН
3	Cheyenne Spell	3	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	0	6	0	0	0	0
8	Evie Grace Singleton	3	10	10	29	.000	1	0	3	2	4	0	0	0	0
14	Jazmyne Johnson	3	1	3	7	286	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
15	Emily Howard	3	3	2	13	.077	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
18	Alex Warren	3	3	6	26	115	0	1	0	0	2	0	1	0	0
22	Blossom Sato	3	2	0	7	.286	22	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0
1	Payton Harris	3	0	0	0	.000	2	1	2	0	10	0	0	0	0
4	Ericka Timberlake	3	0	0	0	.000	1	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
6	Torrey Tinney	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
7	Savannah Cressman	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	Ellen Stuart	2	0	1	1	-1.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	Chelsea Duhs	3	7	5	18	.111	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Totals	3	26	27	101	010	26	4	5	3	33	0	2	0	0

Tear	n At	tac	k B	y Set
Set	K	Е	TΑ	Pct
1	11	12	40	025
2	8	7	28	.036
3	7	8	33	- 030

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 1.0 Site: Notre Dame, IN (Purcell Pavilion)

Site: Notre Dame, IN (Purcell Pavilion)
Date: Sep 12, 2015 Attend: Time: 1:12
Referees: Terry Miller, Ray Mink, Young / Christoules

SOUTH BEND, Ind. - A trio of career-high performances guided No. 1 Penn State to a straight set victory against Mississippi State in the second match of the Golden Dome Invitational.

Penn State opened the match on a 5-1 run to take control of an early lead. Mississippi State quickly erased the advantage with four unanswered points, tying the score, 5-5. The Nittany Lions and the Bulldogs continued to trade points, keeping the score tied up, 7-7. Mississippi State pulled ahead with an ace and a kill, 9-7, but PSU came storming back with five unanswered points to take over a three-point advantage, 12-9.

The Bulldogs called a timeout looking to cut off the streak, but Penn State followed with a 3-1 strike to widen the advantage to five, 15-10. Mississippi State answered back with three consecutive kills to trim the deficit to two, 15-13.

Penn State responded with a 5-2 stretch to build the lead back to five, 20-15, prompting the Bulldogs to call a timeout. Mississippi State came out of the huddle with a kill, 20-16, but a pair of kills from redshirt senior Aiyana Whitney and senior Megan Courtney sparked a 5-0 run that secured a 25-16 win in the opening set for the Nittany Lions.

The Nittany Lions and the Bulldogs traded points early in the second set to keep the score close. With the score knotted, 4-4, sophomore Haleigh Washington, sophomore Ali Frantti, Courtney and redshirt freshman Bryanna Weiskircher put away four consecutive kills to vault PSU on top by four, 8-4. A Nittany Lion attack error broke up the streak, but PSU regrouped with a 5-2 run to make it 13-7, causing the Bulldogs to call a timeout.

Penn State continued to roll out of the break, using a 6-2 strike to extend the Nittany Lion lead to double figures, 19-9, prompting the Bulldogs to take another timeout. PSU did not let its advantage dip below nine points for the remainder of the frame, as Frantti capped off a 25-14 win in the second set with back-to-back kills.

Penn State and Mississippi State kept it close early in the third set. Trailing by one, 10-9, Courtney followed three consecutive Bulldog errors with a kill to pull Penn State ahead, 12-10, causing Mississippi State to call a timeout. Penn State came out of the break firing, using an 8-2 streak to stretch the lead to nine, 20-11, causing Mississippi State to use its final timeout of the match.

Junior Carley Muller sparked a 5-1 run out of the break with an ace to propel the Nittany Lions to a 25-12 win in the third set to complete the sweep. Weiskircher, Washington and Frantti also chipped in kills down the stretch.

Match 8: #1 Penn State 3, Notre Dame 0

Sept. 12, 2015 - South Bend, Ind. | Purcell Pavilion

		Attack				Sei	rve			E	Block	·			
#	Penn State	s	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	BA	BE	вн
5	Frantti,Ali	3	14	4	27	.370	0	1	1	2	4	0	0	1	0
14	Whitney, Aiyana	3	9	6	21	.143	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0
15	Washington, Haleigh	3	5	0	13	.385	0	1	2	0	2	0	5	0	0
17	Courtney, Megan	3	14	1	28	.464	1	0	0	1	15	2	2	0	0
19	Thelen,Heidi	3	3	0	5	.600	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
21	Weiskircher, Bryanna	3	0	2	5	400	40	1	1	0	6	0	2	0	0
3	Pierce,Kendall	2	0	0	1	.000	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0
10	Muller,Carley	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	0
12	Holcomb,Keeton	3	0	0	0	.000	2	0	2	0	20	0	0	0	0
13	Krause,Taylor	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Totals	3	45	13	100	.320	43	3	9	3	54	3	13	2	0

Tear	n Ati	tac	k B	y Set
Set	K	Ε	TA	Pct
1	17	2	29	.517
2	12	_	22	100

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 9.5

SET SCORES
Penn State (3)
Notre Dame (0)

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 9.5

1 2 3 Team Records:
8-0
8-0
17 19 16 4-5

		Attack				Serve				E	Block	k			
#	Notre Dame	s	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	BA	BE	ВН
1	BYRNE, Kelly	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0
3	FRY, Sam	3	7	6	23	.043	0	0	1	0	3	0	4	0	0
5	KUHN, Sydney	3	4	0	18	.222	1	0	2	0	3	0	2	0	0
8	DILFER, Maddie	3	1	0	3	.333	22	2	2	0	5	0	2	1	4
9	NUNGE, Rebecca	3	7	1	18	.333	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0
16	MORNINGSTAR, Meg	3	2	2	13	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0
2	JOHNSON, Natalie	3	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	0	9	0	0	0	0
4	DEJARLD, Ryann	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	1	3	8	0	0	0	0
6	PLUMLEE, Maddie	1	3	1	5	.400	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	BONNEVAL, Haley	3	3	7	23	174	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
	Totals	3	27	17	103	.097	25	3	6	3	40	0	14	2	4

Tear	n Ati	tac	kΒ	y Set
Set	K	Ε	TA	Pct
1	10	3	32	.219
2	9	8	34	.029
2	0	c	27	OE4

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 7.0

Site: Notre Dame, IN (Purcell Pavilion)
Date: Sep 12, 2015 Attend: 1540 Time: 1:18
Referees: Terry Miller, Ray Mink, Young / Christoules

SOUTH BEND, Ind. - Top-ranked Penn State captured the Golden Dome Invitational crown with a straight set win against Notre Dame Saturday night at Purcell Pavilion.

Penn State and Notre Dame traded points early in the match to keep it close. Tied at 11-11, Washington sparked a 3-0 spurt that lifted the Nittany Lions ahead by as many as three, 14-11, prompting Notre Dame to call a timeout. Courtney came out of the break with a kill to make it 15-11, before a service error cut off the streak.

The Irish followed with a service error, but regrouped with a kill to trim the margin to three, 16-13. Pulling ahead, Frantti sparked a 4-2 stretch that widened the Nittany Lion advantage to five, 20-15, causing Notre Dame to call its final timeout of the frame. Notre Dame came out of the break with a kill, 20-16, but Courtney answered with three consecutive kills to send PSU ahead, 23-16. An Irish error on the next play set the Nittany Lions up for set point, 24-16. A Penn State service error held off the attempt before Whitney, Washington and Courtney teamed up for a triple block to secure a 25-17 win in the first set.

The Nittany Lions jumped out to an 8-3 lead in the second set, causing the Irish to call an early timeout. Notre Dame came out of the break with a kill, 8-4, but served long to keep PSU ahead by five, 9-4. Penn State continued to roll with back-to-back blocks from Washington and Weiskircher, widening the advantage to seven, 11-4.

Notre Dame came battling back with a 5-2 streak to arrive within three, 13-9. A kill from Frantti and an ace from Washington brought Penn State back up by six, 15-9, prompting the Irish to call their final timeout of the set. Notre Dame came out of the timeout with a 3-0 burst to shave the PSU lead back to three, 15-12. A block from Thelen and a kill from Courtney made it 17-12, but a

Notre Dame kill moved the Irish within four, 17-13. From there, Penn State managed to maintain at least a five-point lead, 22-16, until a pair of Irish kills put Notre Dame back within four, 22-18, prompting PSU to call a timeout. A kill from Frantti and a Notre Dame attack error out of the break set Penn State up for set point, 24-18. The Irish held off one attempt before serving into the net to hand PSU a 25-19 win in the second set.

Penn State and Notre Dame kept it tight early in the third set. With the score knotted, 11-11, a pair of Irish attack errors gave the Nittany Lions a two-point edge, 13-11. Courtney continued the momentum with a kill to make it 14-11, causing the Irish to call a timeout. Penn State used a 3-1 strike capped off by kills from Courtney and Frantti to go up 17-12, prompting the Irish to call another timeout. The Notre Dame timeout didn't slow down the Nittany Lions, as Penn State used an 8-4 run out of the break to cruise to a 25-16 win in the third set to complete the sweep.

Match 9: #1 Penn State 3, Auburn 0

Sept. 18, 2015 - Tampa, Fla. | Sun Dome

				At	tack			Sei	rve			E	Block	•		
#	Stanford	s	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	ВН	Pts
2	Benjamin, Sarah	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
3	Hodson, Hayley	3	16	2	31	.452	1	1	2	1	7	0	2	0	0	18.0
7	Vanjak, Ivana	3	3	1	6	.333	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	1	0	4.0
16	Howard, Brittany	3	15	1	29	.483	0	0	0	2	10	0	1	0	0	15.5
22	Bugg, Madi	3	1	1	6	.000	34	0	1	0	4	1	2	1	0	3.0
23	Burgess, Jordan	3	3	4	18	056	1	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	3.0
4	Humphreys, Kelsey	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
14	McKenna, Halland	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	1	1	9	0	0	0	0	0.0
17	Lutz, Merete	3	4	5	15	067	0	0	0	0	2	1	3	0	0	6.5
	Totals	3	42	14	105	.267	37	1	5	4	42	2	10	2	0	50.0

	Tear	n Atl	ack B	y Set										
Set K E TA Pct Sideout Pct														
	1	16	6 36	.278	15-24	62%								
	2	12	4 35	.229	15-25	60%								
	3	14	4 34	.294	13-24	54%								
		42.72 E00/												

		TO	DTAL	TEAM BLOCKS: 7
SET SCORES	1	2	3	Team Records:
Stanford (0)	21	22	18	3-1
Penn State (3)	25	25	25	5-0

				At	tack					Serve		Block				
#	Penn State	s	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	ВН	Pts
5	Frantti,Ali	3	13	6	35	.200	1	0	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	13.5
14	Whitney, Aiyana	3	13	2	25	.440	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	14.5
15	Washington, Haleigh	3	12	2	19	.526	1	0	3	0	4	0	3	2	0	13.5
17	Courtney, Megan	3	11	1	25	.400	1	2	0	0	13	1	0	1	0	14.0
19	Thelen, Heidi	3	1	1	3	.000	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	1	0	3.0
21	Weiskircher, Bryanna	3	1	1	5	.000	41	1	1	1	8	0	1	3	0	2.5
3	Pierce, Kendall	3	0	1	1	-1.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
12	Holcomb,Keeton	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0.0
13	Krause, Taylor	3	0	0	0	.000	1	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	1.0
	Totals	3	51	14	113	.327	46	4	4	1	45	2	10	7	0	62.0

Tear				y Set		
Set	K	Ε	TΑ	Pct	Sideout	Pct
1	14	4	29	.345	16-22	72%
2	19	7	46	.261	15-22	68%
3	18	3	38	.395	14-19	73%
					45-63	71%

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 7.0

Site: University Park, Pa. (Recreation Building)
Date: Sep 05, 2015 Attend: 6055 Time: 1:34
Referees: Brian Hemelgarn, James Kuziela

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 Total

 Tie scores
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 22

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Big 10-Pac 12 Challenge

TAMPA, Fla. - Three Nittany Lions recorded double figure kills as top-ranked Penn State women's powered past Auburn in straight sets in the first match of the USF Invitational.

Penn State jumped out to a 3-1 lead in the first set before a USF kill and a Nittany Lion blocking error drew the Tigers within one, 4-3. Penn State answered back with an 8-1 run to surge ahead by as many as six, 11-5, prompting Auburn to call a timeout. Frantti looked to continue the momentum with a kill, but a Nittany Lion service error interrupted the rhythm, 12-6.

The Tigers looked to regroup with a kill, 12-7, but Courtney sparked a 5-2 stretch that lifted the Nittany Lions ahead by eight, 17-9, causing Auburn to call its final timeout of the frame. Penn State continued to roll out of the break, closing out the set on an 8-2 run, capped off by a clutch overpass kill from Washington to secure a 25-11 win in the first set.

The Nittany Lions shot out to an 8-2 lead in the second set, helped out by a pair of kills from Whitney. The Tigers called an early timeout looking to slow the momentum, but Washington came out of the break with a kill to bolster the advantage to seven, 9-2. Auburn looked to halt the run with a kill, 9-3, but PSU responded with a 5-4 stretch to double the lead, 14-7.

The Tigers came battling back with back-to-back kills to pull within five, 14-9, prompting Penn State to call a timeout. Whitney came out of the huddle with a kill, 15-9, but two consecutive kills from Auburn and a PSU attack error trimmed the gap to three, 15-12.

Rallying, Courtney, Whitney and Washington put away three consecutive kills to build the Nittany Lion advantage back to six, 18-12, causing Auburn to call a time-out. Courtney came out of the break with a kill, but Auburn follow with another kill to make it 19-13. From there, Penn State did not look back as Washington opened up a 5-2 run that vaulted the Nittany Lions to set point, 24-15. The Tigers held off one attempt with a block, but an Auburn service error on the next attempt handed Penn State a 25-16 win in the second set.

Leading by as many as seven in the third set, 17-10, Auburn looked to cut off the run, following a timeout with a 4-1 strike to shave the PSU lead back to four, 18-14. The two teams traded service errors before a kill from Weiskircher brought Penn State back up by five, 20-15. Auburn followed with a kill to move back within four, 20-16, but the Nittany Lions followed with a 5-3 strike to close out a 25-19 win in the third set to complete the sweep.

Match 10: #1 Penn State 3, St. John's 0

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		- 1		Att	ack			Sei	rve			E	Block	١		
##	St John's	S	K	Е	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	BHE	Pts
5	PALGUTOVA, Karin	3	6	5	24	.042	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	6.0
7	MUTLUGIL, Deniz	3	0	0	1	.000	23	1	2	0	4	0	1	0	2	1.5
8	BIANCHIN, Margherita	1	1	0	2	.500	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1.0
17	AROGUZ, Pelin	3	13	7	30	.200	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	13.0
28	MOSS, Danisha	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0.5
32	CAST, Julia	3	3	2	6	.167	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	3.5
3	LOBDELL, Alexandria	1	0	1	2	500	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
4	MIYASAKI, Ariel	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
9	SANTIAGO, Yaidy	3	3	4	14	071	1	0	0	2	6	0	1	0	0	3.5
10	GUZMAN, Briana	2	2	3	6	167	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2.5
18	KARKKAINEN, Mona	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0.5
24	D'AMORE, Delaney	3	0	0	0	.000	3	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Totals	3	28	22	85	.071	27	1	4	7	27	0	6	1	2	32.0

Team	Atta	ck E	By S	et					TC	TAL	TEAM BLOCKS: 3.0
Set	K	Ε	TA	Pct	Sideout	Pct					
1	8	9	24	042	10-25	40%	SET SCORES	1	2	3	
2	9	8	31	.032	14-24	58%	St John's (0)	10	18	19	
3	11	5	30	.200	12-25	47%	Penn State (3)	25	25	25	
					36-74	48%					

				Att	ack			Sei	rve			1	Block			
##	Penn State	s	K	Е	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	BHE	Pts
5	Frantti,Ali	3	8	4	19	.211	1	0	1	1	5	0	1	1	0	8.5
14	Whitney, Aiyana	3	11	2	18	.500	0	0	0	0	2	1	3	0	0	13.5
15	Washington, Haleigh	3	6	1	9	.556	0	1	2	0	3	1	10	0	0	13.0
17	Courtney, Megan	3	6	2	16	.250	3	0	1	0	10	0	5	1	0	8.5
19	Thelen, Heidi	3	3	0	10	.300	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	4.5
21	Weiskircher, Bryanna	3	4	0	5	.800	31	2	1	0	2	0	4	1	1	8.0
2	Caraway,Lara	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
3	Pierce,Kendall	2	0	0	0	.000	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2.0
4	Rivera, Wilma	3	0	0	0	.000	1	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	2.0
8	Pierce,Lainy	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
12	Holcomb, Keeton	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0.0
22	Lee,Simone	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Totals	3	38	9	77	.377	36	7	7	1	29	2	26	3	1	60.0

Team Set			By S TA		Sideout	Pct					TOTAL T	EAM BL	OCKS:	15.0
1 2	8 15			.412	10-10 15-19		Site: Tampa, Fla Date: Sep 19, 20)15 A	ttend	579	Time:			
3	15	3	30	.400	12-19 37-48	63% 77%	Referees: Donna	a Carte	er, Lei 2	sa Jo	Total			
							Tie scores Lead changes	0	1	4	5 2			

TAMPA, Fla. - Top-ranked Penn State women's volleyball (10-0) swept past St. John's Sun Dome in three sets helped out by another strong blocking performance by the Nittany Lions.

As a team, Penn State posted a season-high 15.0 blocks, led by multi-block performances from five different Nittany Lions. Sophomore Haleigh Washington led the group with a career-high 11 total blocks. Washington's tally is the second highest single-match total in a three-set match in Penn State program history.

Leading by just two early in the match, 4-2, St. John's put down a kill to move within one, 4-3. Washington quickly put away two consecutive kills to bring the Nittany Lions on top by three, 6-3. A service ace held up the rhythm, 7-3, but Bryanna Weiskircher and Washington teamed up for a block to make it 8-3, causing the Red Storm to call a timeout.

Wilma Rivera came out of the break with an ace to open up a 6-3 stretch, featuring a kill and an ace from Weiskircher to go up 14-6, causing St. John's to use its final timeout. Two aces from Weiskircher and an STJ error sent Penn State surging ahead by as many as 10, 16-10. The Red Storm looked to get back on track with a kill, 16-7, but a kill from Ali Frantti and an ace from Kendall Pierce sparked an 8-2 run that lifted the Nittany Lions to set point, 24-10. Weiskircher and Washington closed out a 25-10 win in the first set with a block to put PSU up 1-0 in the match.

Leading by two in the second set, 10-8, two STJ errors and a kill from Aiyana Whitney stretched the Nittany Lion advantage to five, 13-8. St. John's came battling back with a 3-1 strike to trim the deficit to three, 14-11. Penn State regrouped with a 5-1 run capped off by back-to-back blocks to move ahead by six, 19-12, causing the Red Storm to call a timeout. St. John's came out of the break with a kill, 19-13, but a block from Megan Courtney and Washington sparked a 5-3 stretch that lifted the Nittany Lions to set point, 24-16. The Red Storm held off two attempts before a kill from Whitney secured a 25-18 win in the second set.

With Penn State on top by one, 12-11, a St. John's service error followed by two consecutive kills from Whitney and Courtney put Penn State back in control, 15-11, causing the Red Storm to call a timeout. St. John's came out of the break with two unanswered kills to move back within two, 15-13. Penn State responded with back-to-back kills from Whitney and Weiskircher to open up a 5-3 stretch that widened the PSU advantage to four, 20-16. The Red Storm called a timeout and regrouped with a 3-1 spurt out of the break to move within two, 21-19.

Penn State called a timeout to regroup and came out of the break with four unanswered points, featuring three kills from Frantti to lock up a 25-19 win in the third set to complete the sweep.

Match 11: #1 Penn State 3, South Florida 0

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				Att	ack			Se	rve	- 1			Block	(
##	Penn State	s	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	BHE	Pts
5	Frantti, Ali	3	4	2	9	.222	1	0	1	0	6	0	0	0	0	4.0
14	Whitney, Aiyana	3	15	2	27	.481	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	16.5
15	Washington, Haleigh	3	10	1	12	.750	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	10.0
17	Courtney, Megan	3	5	1	21	.190	1	1	0	0	6	3	1	0	1	9.5
19	Thelen, Heidi	3	5	0	9	.556	1	0	0	0	0	0	5	1	0	7.5
21	Weiskircher, Bryanna	3	0	0	2	.000	32	0	1	0	15	0	0	0	0	0.0
2	Caraway,Lara	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
3	Pierce, Kendall	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
4	Rivera, Wilma	3	0	0	0	.000	2	1	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	1.0
8	Pierce, Lainy	2	0	0	1	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
10	Muller, Carley	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
12	Holcomb, Keeton	3	0	0	1	.000	2	0	0	3	10	0	0	0	0	0.0
13	Krause, Taylor	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
22	Lee,Simone	1	4	1	6	.500	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4.5
	Team									1						
	Totals	3	43	7	88	.409	39	2	4	4	50	3	10	2	1	53.0
	eam Attack By Set						0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0									

Team	Atta	ck l	By S	et					TC	DTAL	TEAM BLOCKS: 8.
Set	K	Ε	ŤΑ	Pct	Sideout	Pct					
1	15	4	35	.314	14-19	73%	SET SCORES	1	2	3	Team Records:
2	14	2	27	.444	6-7	85%	Penn State (3)	25	25	25	11-0
3	14	1	26	.500	14-18	77%	USF (0)	19	6	18	2-9
					24.44	770/					

				Att	tack			Se	rve				Block	(
##	USF	s	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	BHE	Pts
1	PAYNE, Clara	3	2	2	8	.000	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2.5
3	BELCHER, Denise	2	4	7	21	143	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	4.0
4	VAN SANT, Amy	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0.0
6	HOLLAND, Joli	3	6	2	15	.267	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	6.0
16	HEIDELBERG, Alexus	3	7	2	27	.185	0	1	1	0	7	1	0	0	0	9.0
19	MENDOZA, Alex	3	0	0	2	.000	10	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0.0
5	GOODNIGHT, Adyson	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
8	DEVLIN, Wylie	3	0	0	0	.000	2	0	0	1	9	0	0	0	0	0.0
11	HAMPTON, Dakota	1	0	0	5	.000	0	3	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	3.0
13	SOARES, Natalia	3	0	0	0	.000	12	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	0.0
15	PANICK, Elyse	1	2	1	4	.250	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.0
18	MOREKHODOVA, Olga	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
23	EHIEZE, Priscilla	3	4	5	15	067	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4.5
33	KOVAL, Nikki	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Totals	3	25	19	97	.062	24	4	6	2	35	1	2	2	0	31.0
	eam Attack By Set et K E TA Pct Sideout	Po	ct						Т	ОТА	L TEA	МВ	LOC	KS:	2.0	

3	12	6 31	.194	14-25	56%	Referees: Donna	Carte	er, Lei	sa Jo	ordan
				33-74	44%					
							1	2	3	Total
						Tie scores	0	2	1	3
						Lead changes	0	2	1	3

TAMPA, Fla. - Led by a pair of double-digit hitters, No. 1 Penn State captured the USF Invitational title with a 3-0 win against South Florida.

Haleigh Washington earned USF Invitational MVP honors while Bryanna Weiskircher and Aiyana Whitney earned All-Tournament team honors.

Penn State and South Florida kept the score close early in the opening frame. With USF within one, 6-5, Frantti opened a 4-0 run with a pair of kills to give PSU a five-point lead, 10-5. Heidi Thelen and Washington rounded out the other end of the 4-0 scoring streak with a pair of kills, with Washington's kill falling just inside after she kicked the ball over the net.

The Bulls looked to get back on track with a kill, 10-6, but Penn State answered with a 7-5 stretch to go up by as many as six, 17-11. South Florida called a timeout looking to break up the momentum, but Washington came out of the break with three consecutive kills to make it 19-11. South Florida halted the rhythm with a pair of blocks, 19-13, but Penn State battled back with a 4-2 stretch to maintain an eight-point lead, 23-15.

South Florida made one more attempt to mount a comeback with a two straight kills, 23-17, but Whitney put away a kill to make it set point, 24-17. The Bulls held off two attempts before Whitney secured a 25-19 win in the first set with her sixth kill of the frame.

The Nittany Lions shot out to an 8-2 lead in the second set, helped out by three kills from Whitney. The Bulls looked to break up the rhythm with a timeout, but two kills from Whitney and one from Thelen sparked a 6-0 run that vaulted Penn State ahead by as many 12, 14-2. From there, PSU did not look back, closing out the second set on an 11-4 run to finish off a 25-6 win in the second set to enter the locker room with a 2-0 lead in the match.

Leading by four in the third set, 12-8, thanks to a 7-4 run featuring three kills from Simone Lee, the Bulls looked to halt the run with a kill, 12-9. A pair of USF errors and a kill from Whitney lifted PSU ahead by as many as six, 15-9. South Florida called a timeout and came out of the break with a kill, 15-10, but Penn State responded with a 4-1 strike to widen the advantage to seven, 18-11, causing the Bulls to take their final timeout of the frame.

Penn State came out of the huddle with a 4-2 stretch to remain on top by seven points, 22-13. The Bulls battled back with four unanswered points to make it 22-17. A kill from Whitney and a USF error made it match point, 24-17. South Florida held off one attempt before Thelen wrapped up a 25-18 win in the third set to complete the sweep.

Match 12: #1 Penn State 3, #16 Wisconsin 0

Sept. 23, 2015 - University Park, Pa. | Rec Hall

				At	tack			Se	rve			E	Block	ĸ		
#	Wisconsin	s	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	ВН	Pts
1	Carlini, Lauren	3	1	1	5	.000	36	0	2	0	10	0	0	0	0	1.0
2	Kriskova, Romana	3	5	3	16	.125	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	6.0
3	Gillis, Lauryn	3	6	3	24	.125	0	0	3	0	5	0	0	0	0	6.0
4	Bates, Kelli	3	9	5	26	.154	1	0	2	2	9	0	2	1	0	10.0
11	Williams, Tionna	3	8	2	16	.375	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	9.0
13	Nelson, Haleigh	3	10	3	18	.389	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	0	0	11.5
6	Morey, Taylor	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0.0
7	MacDonald, Amber	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
14	Duello, Madison	2	0	1	2	500	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0.5
	Totals	3	39	18	107	.196	38	0	7	3	34	0	10	4	0	44.0
т	eam Attack By Set								Т	ОТА	5.0					

Tea	m At	tack B	y Set					TO	DTAL	TEAM BLOCKS: 5
Set	K	E TA	Pct	Sideout	Pct					
1	16	5 44	.250	15-25	60%	SET SCORES	1	2	3	Team Records:
2	9	6 27	.111	13-24	54%	Wisconsin (0)	21	16	20	8-3, 0-1
3	14	7 36	.194	15-25	60%	Penn State (3)	25	25	25	12-0, 1-0
				43-74	58%					

				Att	tack			Sei	rve			E	Block	k		
#	Penn State	s	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	BA	BE	ВН	Pts
4	Rivera, Wilma	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
5	Frantti,Ali	3	14	3	25	.440	1	0	0	0	6	0	2	0	0	15.0
15	Washington, Haleigh	3	11	0	14	.786	0	2	3	0	3	2	3	0	0	16.5
17	Courtney, Megan	3	10	3	23	.304	0	0	1	0	14	1	1	0	0	11.5
19	Thelen,Heidi	3	1	1	5	.000	1	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	1.5
21	Weiskircher, Bryanna	3	0	2	5	400	43	1	1	0	5	0	1	1	0	1.5
3	Pierce, Kendall	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0.0
8	Pierce,Lainy	3	0	0	1	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
12	Holcomb, Keeton	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0.0
13	Krause, Taylor	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
14	Whitney, Aiyana	3	10	2	20	.400	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10.0
	Totals	3	46	11	93	.376	46	3	7	0	44	3	8	1	0	56.0

Tear	n At	tack B	y Set			TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 7.0
Set	K	E TA	Pct	Sideout	Pct	
1	17	3 40	.350	15-21	71%	Site: University Park, Pa. (Recreation Building)
2	14	3 24	.458	14-17	82%	Date: Sep 23, 2015 Attend: 2710 Time: 1:28
3	15	5 29	.345	15-20	75%	Referees: Mara Wager, Brian Hemelgarn
				44-58	75%	
						<u>1 2 3 Total</u>
						Tie scores 10 2 9 21

Lead change

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. - Top-ranked Penn State opened the 2015 Big Ten conference slate with a straight set victory against No. 16 Wisconsin.

Penn State and Wisconsin traded points early in the match to keep the score tied up. With the score knotted at 9-9, the Badgers used a 3-0 strike to pull ahead by three, 12-9. A pair of Wisconsin errors pushed the Nittany Lions within one, 12-11, but a Nittany Lion attack error kept the Badgers ahead, 13-12. Wisconsin answered with a kill, 14-12, but Ali Frantti and Aiyana Whitney put down two consecutive kills to re-tie the score, 14-14. Wisconsin responded with a kill to bring the Badgers ahead by one, 15-14, heading into the media timeout.

Penn State came out of the break firing, as Whitney sparked a 4-0 run capped off by a block from Megan Courtney and Haleigh Washington to move PSU ahead, 18-15. The Badgers called a timeout, but Courtney came out of the break with a kill to widen the PSU advantage, 19-16, prompting UW to use its final timeout.

The Badgers came out of the huddle with a 3-1 spurt to trim the gap to two, 20-18. Washington halted the run with a kill, before pairing up with Weiskircher for a block to bring PSU ahead by four, 22-18. The Badgers came storming back with another 3-1 strike to move back within two, 23-21, causing Penn State to call a timeout. The Nittany Lions came out of the break with kills from Frantti and Whitney to secure a 25-21 win in the opening set.

The Nittany Lions shot out to a 6-2 lead in the second set. Wisconsin called a timeout looking to slow the momentum, but a kill from Frantti and an ace from Washington bolstered the PSU advantage to as many as six, 8-2. A PSU service error slowed the momentum, but Penn State regrouped with a 4-2 stretch to make it 12-4, causing the Badgers to call a timeout.

Wisconsin came out of the break with a kill, 12-5, but Penn State followed with a 7-6 scoring stretch to construct an eight-point lead, 19-11. A Nittany Lion service error trimmed the margin to seven, 19-12, but PSU regrouped with a 5-3 streak to arrive at set point, 24-15. The Badgers made one final attempt to mount a comeback with a kill, 24-16, but a kill from Washington sealed a 25-16 win.

With Wisconsin within two midway through set three, 14-12, a kill from Washington sent Penn State ahead, 15-12 heading into the media timeout. Penn State came out of the break with a 5-3 stretch to maintain a five-point advantage, 20-15. A Nittany Lion attack error shaved the lead to four, 20-16, but a kill from Whitney kept PSU ahead by five, 21-16. The Badgers looked to get back on track with a kill, 21-17, but Courtney helped put together a 3-1 strike that lifted PSU to set point, 24-19. Wisconsin held off two attempts, before Frantti put down a kill to finish off a 25-20 win in the third set to complete the sweep.

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 9.0

Match 13: #1 Penn State 3, #21 Minnesota 2

Sept. 26, 2015 - University Park, Pa. | Rec Hall

				At	tack			Sei	ve			E	Block			
#	Penn State	s	K	Е	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	вн	Pts
5	Frantti,Ali	4	7	4	24	.125	0	1	2	1	8	0	2	0	0	9.0
7	Grant,Nia	4	14	2	28	.429	0	1	1	0	2	2	6	0	0	20.0
12	Hancock, Micha	4	4	0	12	.333	50	3	4	0	5	0	4	0	0	9.0
14	Whitney, Aiyana	4	12	3	23	.391	1	0	0	0	1	0	6	2	0	15.0
17	Courtney, Megan	4	12	4	32	.250	2	1	1	0	4	1	6	0	0	17.0
33	Fuller,Lacey	4	0	0	0	.000	3	0	1	0	8	0	0	0	0	0.0
3	Pierce,Kendall	2	1	0	1	1.000	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.0
4	Gonzalez,Dominique	4	0	0	0	.000	0	0	3	1	26	0	0	0	0	0.0
13	Krause, Taylor	4	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0.0
22	Lee,Simone	4	9	6	33	.091	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	9.5
24	Broerman,Laura	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Totals	4	59	19	153	.261	56	7	16	2	59	3	25	2	0	81.5

Te	am At	tack B	y Set					Т	OTAI	. TEA	M BLOCKS: 15.5
Se	t K	E TA	Pct	Sideout	Pct						
1	19	6 47	.277	16-28	57%	SET SCORES	1	2	3	4	Team Records:
2	16	3 35	.371	11-14	78%	Penn State (3)	27	25	25	25	14-1, 2-0 Big Ten
3	11	2 31	.290	10-15	66%	Minnesota (1)	29	13	15	22	11-2, 1-1 Big Ten
4	13	8 40	.125	14-23	60%						
				51-80	63%						

				At	tack			Sei	rve			E	Block	k		
#	Minnesota	s	K	Е	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	ВН	Pts
1	Santana, Daly	4	12	10	42	.048	2	2	0	1	10	0	3	0	0	15.5
3	Schau, Katie	4	0	0	2	.000	34	0	1	0	7	0	4	0	1	2.0
4	Tapp, Paige	3	5	5	13	.000	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	5.5
7	Tapp, Hannah	4	6	3	16	.188	0	0	0	0	3	0	6	0	0	9.0
8	Wilhite, Sarah	4	14	9	45	.111	1	0	0	3	14	0	1	0	0	14.5
17	Rosado, Dalianliz	4	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	1	9	0	0	0	0	0.0
5	Goehner, Alyssa	4	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	2	15	0	0	0	0	0.0
6	Beal, Maddie	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
10	Rasmussen, Carly	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
13	Lohman, Molly	3	1	0	1	1.000	0	0	2	0	1	0	2	0	0	2.0
16	Nora, Adrianna	4	4	3	13	.077	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	4.5
18	Caluori, Laura	1	0	0	1	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Totals	4	42	30	133	.090	38	2	5	7	63	0	18	0	1	53.0

n Attack By Set
K E TA Pct Sideout Pct
18 4 39 .359 17-28 60% Site: Minneapolis,
7 7 26 .000 10-24 41% Date: Sep 27, 201
9 12 38079 10-25 40% Referees: Julie Vo
8 7 30 .033 13-24 54%
50-101 49% <u>1</u>

Lead change

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. - No. 1 Penn State women's outlasted No. 21 Minnesota in five sets in front of a crowd featuring 5,039 Nittany Lion fans

Penn State jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the match, winning the first and second sets, to command the advantage heading out of the intermission .

Tied up at 9-9 in the third set, a kill from Minnesota and a pair of Penn State errors sent the Golden Gophers ahead, 12-9. Penn State looked to get back on track with a kill from Ali Frantti, but another Minnesota kill and a block made it 14-10, prompting Penn State to call a timeout. The Gophers came out of the break with a kill, but a kill from Megan Courtney and a Minnesota attack error cut the deficit to three, 15-12.

The Golden Gophers followed with a 4-2 stretch to widen the margin to five, 19-14, causing PSU to call a timeout. Courtney came out of the break with a kill, 20-15, but the Nittany Lions could not sustain the momentum as the Golden Gophers used a 5-4 strike to take the third set, 25-19. Penn State opened the fourth frame with a 7-5 run capped off by back-to-back solo stuffs from Courtney and Haleigh Washington.

Minnesota answered back with a 4-2 strike to tie the score, 9-9. A Gopher kill and a PSU attack error moved Minnesota ahead by two, 11-9, but Frantti followed with a kill to put Penn State within one, 11-10. Penn State continued to battle, but Minnesota matched the Nittany Lion point-for-point to remain ahead by one, 17-16.

Rallying, a block from Washington and Frantti tied the score, 17-17, causing Minnesota to call a timeout. The Golden Gophers came out of the break with four unanswered points to pull ahead. 21-17. A Minnesota service error and a kill from sophomore Simone Lee made it 22-18, but Penn State could not continue the momentum as Minnesota took set four, 25-20 to send the match into a deciding fifth set.

Penn State opened the fifth frame on 5-3 streak, capped off by back-to-back kills from Washington. The Golden Gophers cut off the run with a block to arrive within one, 5-4. The two teams continued to trade points until a kill from Frantti lifted the Nittany Lions ahead by two, 8-6 at the crossover.

Minnesota quickly answered with a kill to keep within one, 8-7, but PSU responded with a 3-2 spurt finished off by kills from Courtney and Washington to move ahead by as many as three, 12-9, forcing Minnesota to call a timeout. The Gophers regrouped with a kill, but served into the net to keep Penn State on top, 13-10. Minnesota made one final attempt to spark a run with a kill, 13-11, but a kill from Washington made it match point, 14-11. A PSU service error held off the momentum before Frantti put down a kill to secure a 15-12 win in the fifth set.

Match 14: #4 Nebraska 3, #1 Penn State 2

Oct. 2, 2015 - University Park, Pa. | Rec Hall

			Attack				Serve				Hod	k				
	Nebraska	S	E	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA.	SE	RE	Dig	85	BA.	æ	ВН	Pts
8	Hunter, Kelly	5	a	2	14	143	52	2	1	0	4	0	4	a	a	4.0
5	Rolfzen, Amber	5	10	3	29	.241	0	0	0	0	5	0	5	0	0	12.5
6	Rolfzen, Kadie	5	11	5	35	.171	a	1	1	0	15	1	4	a	a	15.0
9	Hall, Cecilia	5	6	2	17	.235	0	0	0	0	2	1	7	0	0	10.5
11	Maloney, Kerizie	5	a	ø	D	.apo	a	D	2	0	4	0	ø	a	a	0.0
14	Fien, Kelsey	5	9	2	30	.233	0	0	0	1	3	0	2	0	0	10.0
2	Foecke, Mikaela	5	22	11	57	.193	a	1	ø	0	1	0	2	a	a	24.0
4	Wong-Orantes, J	5	0	0	0	.000	3	0	1	1	30	0	0	0	0	0.0
7	Townsend, Sydney	5	a	ø	D	.apo	a	D	ø	0	2	0	ø	a	a	0.0
10	Ostrander, Alicia	1	1	0	4	.250	0	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	1.0
17	Abrecht, Annika	5	1	2	5	200	3	1	2	0	14	0	Ø	a	a	2.0
	Totals	5	60	27	191	.173	58	5	8	2	84	2	24	0	0	79.0

Team	m At	tadk B	y Set					т	JTAL	TE/	М В	LOCKS: 14.0
Set	K	E TA	Pct	Sideout	Pc±							
1	5	6 27	037	10-24	41%	SET SCORES	1	2	3	4	5	Team Records:
2	13	5 49	.163	15-26	57 %	Nebraska (3)	12	24	25	Z 5	15	12-1, 3-0
3	15	3 43	.279	9-14	64%	Penn State (2)	25	26	14	20	11	13-1, 2-1
4	1.5	9 43	.140	13-21	61%							
5	12	4 29	.276	B-11	72%							
				55-96	6744							

					Ser	we			E	Hod	k					
	Penn State	S		E	TA	Pct	Ast	5A	SE	RE	Dig	85	BA.	BE	ВН	Pts
6	Frantti,Ali	5	7	4	31	.097	1	D	1	2	11	0	Ð	a	a	7.0
14	Whitney, Aiyana	5	14	4	30	.333	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	15.5
16	Washington,Haleigh	5	11	3	29	.276	a	1	2	0	1	1	8	a	a	17.0
17	Courtney, Megan	5	16	9	62	.113	3	0	0	1	22	3	5	0	0	21.5
21	Weiskircher, Bryanna	5	Z	1	5	.ZDO	46	D	1	0	11	0	3	a	1	3.5
22	Lee,Simone	5	7	6	26	.038	1	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	8.5
8	Pierce,Kendal	5	a	ø	D	.apo	a	D	Ð	0	1	0	ø	a	a	0.0
8	Pierce,Lainy	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0.0
12	Holcomb, Keetan	5	a	ø	D	.apo	3	D	1	2	23	0	ø	a	a	0.0
13	Krause,Taylor	5	0	0	0	.000	0	1	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	1.0
19	Thelen, Heidi	1	a	ø	D	.apo	a	D	Ø	0	a	0	Ð	a	a	0.0
	Totals	5	57	27	183	.164	54	2	7	5	81	4	22	0	1	74.0

Tea Set			y Set	Sideout	-				7	OTA	LTE	AM BLOCKS
1				11-13		Site: University	. Par	k. Pa	. (Re	crea	tion	Building)
2				15-24		Date: Oct 02,						
3	10	7 51	.059	9-25	36%	Referees: Paul	Albr	ight,	Devo	nie I	McLa	irty
4	9	6 36	.DB3	12-24	50%							
5	5	3 20	.100	B-15	53%		1	2	3	4	5	Total
				95-101	54%	Tie scores	1	11	a	9	4	25
						Lead change	a	3	a	6	1	10

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. - No. 1 Penn State fell short in five sets to No. 4 Nebraska Friday evening at Rec Hall in front of its second consecutive 5,000-plus crowd.

The Nittany Lions shot out to a 2-0 lead in the match, to take control of sizable advantage heading into the intermission.

The Huskers came out of the break firing, using an 8-3 run in the third set to build an early advantage. Penn State called timeout looking to break up the momentum, but Nebraska followed with a 5-2 stretch to pull ahead by as many as eight, 13-5. Regrouping, Penn State answered with a 5-3 strike to shave the deficit down to six, 16-10, causing Nebraska to call a timeout.

Two PSU attack errors out of the break broke up the streak, but Frantti looked to put Penn State back on track with a kill, 18-11. Nebraska responded with a 6-3 scoring streak to arrive at set point, before posting up for a block to take set three, 25-14.

Much like the third frame, Penn State and Nebraska battled back and forth in the fourth set. With the score tied, 11-11, the Huskers used a 4-1 run to take control of the lead, 15-12, heading into the media timeout.

Nebraska used a 3-1 strike out of the break to double the advantage, 18-14, causing Penn State to call a timeout. Penn State managed to trim the gap to three, 20-16, but the Huskers held off the Nittany Lions with a 4-2 run to arrive at set point, 24-18.

A kill from Whitney and a Husker attack error pulled Penn State within four, 24-20, but a Nebraska kill gave the Huskers a 25-20 win in the fourth set to even the match, 2-2, heading into the decisive fifth set. Both teams traded points early in the fifth frame to keep the score locked up.

Tied at 7-7, a pair of Husker kills brought Nebraska ahead, 9-7, prompting Penn State to call a timeout. The Huskers came out of the break with a block and a kill in between an error to make it 11-8, prompting Penn State to use its final timeout.

Sophomore Simone Lee looked to spark some momentum with a kill. 11-9, but Nebraska halted the attempt with a 3-1 spurt to arrive at match point, 14-10.

Courtney held off the attempt with a kill, but another Husker kill gave Nebraska a 15-11 win in the fifth set to end the match.

Match 15: #1 Penn State 3, Iowa 0

Oct. 3, 2015 - University Park, Pa. | Rec Ha

		Attack				Sei	rve			E	Block	k				
#	Iowa	5	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	ВН	Pts
4	Mariani, Ashley	3	6	1	13	.385	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	6.0
7	Klostermann, Alyssa	3	0	0	0	.000	0	3	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	3.0
10	Keala, Loxley	3	2	0	4	.500	36	2	3	0	9	0	1	0	2	4.5
11	Davey, Reagan	3	8	4	24	.167	0	2	2	0	5	0	1	0	0	10.5
18	Brobst, Lauren	3	9	3	23	.261	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	9.5
29	Janota, Jess	3	10	3	19	.368	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	1	0	11.5
1	Kelly, Molly	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	0.0
5	McNeil, Taylr 2	2	0	0	2	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
8	Coyle, Reghan 1	L	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
9	Olsen, Annika	3	0	0	1	.000	3	0	0	2	13	0	0	0	0	0.0
13	Gunderson, Mikaela	3	6	2	12	.333	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	8.0
14	O'Deen, Alli	3	0	0	1	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Totals	3	41	13	99	.283	40	7	10	4	43	0	10	1	2	53.0

Tea	m At	tack B	y Set					TC	TAL	TEAM BLOCKS: 5.0
Set	K	E TA	Pct	Sideout	Pct					
1	16	7 40	.225	13-26	50%	SET SCORES	1	2	3	Team Records:
2	12	3 27	.333	12-24	50%	Iowa (0)	24	16	23	10-7, 0-4
3	13	3 32	.312	15-25	60%	Penn State (3)	26	25	25	14-1, 3-1
				40-75	53%					

				At	tack			Sei	rve			E	Block	•		
#	Penn State	s	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	BA	BE	ВН	Pts
5	Frantti,Ali	3	7	0	14	.500	0	0	0	2	4	1	0	0	0	8.0
14	Whitney, Aiyana	3	8	2	16	.375	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	9.0
15	Washington, Haleigh	3	11	5	19	.316	1	1	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	13.5
17	Courtney, Megan	3	12	5	34	.206	2	0	0	0	13	0	1	1	0	12.5
21	Weiskircher, Bryanna	3	2	0	3	.667	34	3	1	0	10	0	1	0	0	5.5
22	Lee,Simone	3	7	1	17	.353	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	0	0	8.5
2	Caraway,Lara	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
3	Pierce,Kendall	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0.0
12	Holcomb, Keeton	3	0	0	0	.000	5	0	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	0.0
13	Krause,Taylor	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Totals	3	47	13	103	.330	43	4	2	7	43	1	10	1	0	57.0

Tea	Team Attack By Set														
Set	K	E TA	Pct	Sideout	Pct										
1	16	5 42	.262	13-24	54%										
2	18	1 28	.607	13-17	76%										
3	13	7 33	.182	15-23	65%										
				41-64	64%										

Site: University Park, Pa. (Rec Hall)	
Date: Oct 03, 2015 Attend: 5331 Time: 1:33	
Referees: Devonie McLarty, Paul Albright	

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 6.0

	1	2	3	Tota
Tie scores	6	3	9	18
Lead change	2	2	3	7

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. - Behind double digit kills from two Nittany Lions, top-ranked Penn State swept past lowa, 3-0 in front of 5,331 fans at Rec Hall.

With a team-high 12 kills, senior Megan Courtney reached 1,000 career kills milestone, and is now just four digs shy of the 1,000 career digs plateau.

Penn State opened the match on a 6-4 stretch to take over an early lead. The Hawkeyes broke up the rhythm with a pair of consecutive kills to even the score, 6-6. Iowa continued its momentum, using a 5-1 run to move ahead by three, 11-7, prompting Penn State to call a timeout.

The Nittany Lions came battling back with a 5-1 run, capped off by an ace from Weiskircher to knot the frame, 12-12, forcing lowa to call a timeout. The Hawkeyes came out of the break with a 6-1 streak to pull ahead 18-13. Whitney and Courtney cut off the momentum with back-to-back kills, trimming the deficit to three, 18-15. Penn State could not sustain the momentum as the Hawkeyes answered back with a 3-2 spurt to make it 22-17, causing Penn State to call a timeout.

Penn State came out of the break with kills from Courtney and Washington and a block from Washington and Weiskircher to arrive within one, 21-20. An lowa attack error and a kill from Frantti pushed Penn State ahead, 22-21, prompting lowa to call a timeout. The two teams traded points before a kill from Frantti made it set point, 24-23. The Hawkeyes held off one attempt before Frantti and Whitney put away kills to secure a 26-24 win in the first set.

The Nittany Lions and the Hawkeyes traded points early in the second frame to keep the score close. Tied up at 4-4, Penn State used a 10-5 stretch featuring four kills from Washington to surge ahead by as many as five, 14-9. Iowa called timeout, but Weiskircher came out of the break with an ace to spark a 4-1 strike that widened the advantage to as many as eight, 18-10.

lowa looked to cut off run with a kill, 18-11, but the Nittany Lions answered back with a 6-5 stretch to arrive at set point, 24-16. Looking to hold off the attempt, the Hawkeyes called a timeout, but Frantti answered with a kill to give Penn State a 25-16 win in the second set to put PSU up 2-0 at the intermission.

Clinging to a one-point lead, 19-18, in the third set, Penn State called timeout. An lowa service error out of the break tied the score, 19-19, but three consecutive Hawkeye errors sent Penn State ahead, 21-20. Whitney added a kill to stretch the Nittany Lion lead to two, 22-20. The Hawkeyes put down two kills in a row to tie it up, but a service error gave Penn State the edge, 23-22. lowa made one final attempt to mount a comeback with a kill, 23-23, but Courtney capped off a 25-23 win in the third set with a pair of kills to complete the sweep.

Match 16: #3 Penn State 3, #13 Illinois 1

Oct. 9 - Champaign | Huff Hall

		Attack			Serve				1	SIOCI	ĸ					
#	PSU	s	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	ВН	Pts
5	Frantti,Ali	4	10	4	28	.214	1	0	1	1	5	0	1	0	0	10.5
14	Whitney, Aiyana	4	16	3	31	.419	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	17.5
15	Washington, Haleigh	4	11	3	27	.296	0	1	3	0	3	0	7	0	0	15.5
17	Courtney, Megan	4	18	4	46	.304	1	0	1	0	19	3	3	0	0	22.5
21	Weiskircher, Bryanna	4	3	0	8	.375	54	0	1	0	14	0	3	0	1	4.5
22	Lee,Simone	4	6	4	19	.105	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	7.5
2	Caraway,Lara	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
3	Pierce,Kendall	4	0	0	0	.000	2	2	1	0	10	0	0	0	0	2.0
4	Rivera, Wilma	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	0.0
10	Muller,Carley	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
12	Holcomb, Keeton	4	0	0	0	.000	3	0	2	0	13	0	0	0	0	0.0
13	Krause,Taylor	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Totals	4	64	18	159	.289	62	3	11	1	71	3	20	0	1	80.0

Te	am At	tack B	y Set	:				TO	DTAL	. TEA	M BLOCKS: 13.0
Se	t K	E TA	Pct	Sideout	Pct						
1	14	3 37	.297	11-16	68%	SET SCORES	1	2	3	4	Team Records:
2	19	3 36	.444	14-19	73%	PSU (3)	25	25	24	27	15-1, 4-1
3	16	6 44	.227	12-25	47%	Illinois (1)	16	18	26	25	11-5, 2-3
4	15	6 42	.214	16-26	61%						
				FD 06							

				At	tack			Sei	rve			6	Block	•		
#	Illinois	s	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	ВН	Pts
1	Poulter, Jordyn	4	0	2	2	-1.000	46	0	0	0	8	0	1	0	0	0.5
5	Bastianelli,Ali	4	1	2	7	143	0	0	0	0	1	0	5	0	0	3.5
7	Birks, Jocelynn	4	21	7	58	.241	0	0	2	1	10	0	2	0	0	22.0
10	Davis,Danielle	4	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0.0
12	Stadick,Katie	4	4	4	22	.000	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	4.5
13	Stark,Ali	4	1	4	8	375	1	0	1	1	8	0	0	0	0	1.0
2	Conard,Julia	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0.0
3	Donnelly,Brandi	4	0	0	0	.000	2	0	0	1	25	0	0	0	0	0.0
4	Strizak,Michelle	4	22	6	52	.308	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	22.5
6	Mayers, Maddie	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
9	Crittenden, Naya	2	3	3	11	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	4.5
11	Roustio,Katie	1	1	1	4	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0
18	Palmer, Allison	4	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1.0
	Totals	4	53	29	164	.146	50	1	3	3	68	0	13	0	0	60.5

Tea	m Attack B	y Set			TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 6.5
Set	K E TA	Pct	Sideout	Pct	
1	8 10 37	054	11-25	43%	Site: Champaign, Ill. (Huff Hall)
2	10 3 32	.219	13-24	54%	Date: Oct 09, 2015 Attend: 3997 Time: 2:07
3	19 6 47	.277	13-25	51%	Referees: Donnie Goodwin, Colleen Madera, Dave Cooper
4	16 10 48	.125	15-26	57%	
			52-100	51%	

CHAMPAIGN, III. - Led by double figure kills from four Nittany Lions, No. 3 Penn State pushed past No. 13 Illinois in four sets Friday evening at Huff Hall.

Senior Megan Courtney powered the Penn State offense with 18 kills to go along with a team-high 19 digs for her fourth consecutive and eighth double-double of the season. Courtney also joined an elite group, surpassing the 1,000 career kills/1,000 career digs to become just the eighth Nittany Lion in program history to reach the milestone.

Leading by as many as six in the first set, 18-12, Illinois came storming back with two kills in between a Penn State attack error following a kill from Simone Lee, to trim the deficit to four, 19-15. The Nittany Lions answered with a 6-1 scoring streak capped off by kills from Courtney and Ali Frantti to secure a 25-16 win.

With the score close in the second half, 9-8, Penn State used a 3-0 spurt featuring a pair of kills from Whitney to move ahead by four, 12-8, prompting the Illini to call a timeout. The Fighting Illini came out of the break with a pair of kills, but Whitney put down a kill to keep PSU ahead by three, 13-10. The Illini looked to get back on track with a kill, 13-11, but Aiyana Whitney and Courtney opened up an 8-4 run with back-to-back kills to send Penn State surging ahead by as many as six, 21-15. A Penn State attack error out of an Illinois timeout made it 21-16, but PSU responded with a 3-1 strike capped off by an ace from senior Kendall Pierce made it set point, 24-17. Illinois held off one attempt before Whitney put away her seventh kill of the second set to close out a 25-18 win in the second set.

After leading for most of the third set, 22-16, three straight Illinois kills moved the Illini within three, 22-19, forcing Penn State to call a timeout. Illinois pulled within two out of the break, 22-20, but a kill from Frantti gave Penn State a three-point advantage, 23-20. Frantti followed another Illinois kill with a kill to set the Nittany Lions up for set point, 24-21. The Fighting Illini came charging back with five unanswered points to take set three, 26-24.

With the score locked up at 11-11 in the fourth set, a kill from Whitney and a pair of Illinois attack errors pulled the Nittany Lions ahead, 14-11. The Illini answered with a kill, but another kill from Whitney lifted Penn State ahead by three, 15-12 at the media timeout. Penn State came out of the break with a block, but Illinois used a 4-0 streak to tie the score, 16-16. The Nittany Lions and the Illini continued to trade points, keeping the score knotted. With the stanza tied up, 19-19 a pair of Illinois errors pulled Penn State ahead by two, 21-19, forcing the Fighting Illini to call a timeout. Illinois came out the break with a 3-1 strike to tie the score, 22-22.

Penn State and Illinois continued to trade points to lock up the score three more times, 25-25, before Courtney closed out a 27-25 win in the fourth set with back-to-back kills to finish off the 3-1 victory.

Match 17: Northwestern 3, #3 Penn State 2

Oct. 10, 2015 - Evanston, III. | Welsh-Ryan Arena

				At	tack			Ser	ve			E	Block	۱ ۱		
#	Penn State	s	K	Е	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	ВН	Pts
5	Frantti,Ali	5	6	7	29	034	0	0	0	2	2	1	1	0	0	
14	Whitney, Aiyana	5	13	5	34	.235	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	-
15	Washington, Haleigh	5	9	2	19	.368	0	0	2	0	1	1	7	0	0	-
17	Courtney, Megan	5	14	6	48	.167	3	0	0	0	23	0	4	0	0	-
21	Weiskircher, Bryanna	5	0	0	0	.000	43	0	1	0	17	0	3	1	2	-
22	Lee,Simone	5	14	5	31	.290	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	0	0	-
2	Caraway,Lara	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
3	Pierce,Kendall	5	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	-
4	Rivera, Wilma	1	0	0	0	.000	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
6	Reed,Nia	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
12	Holcomb, Keeton	5	0	0	0	.000	3	1	0	1	15	0	0	0	0	-
13	Krause, Taylor	4	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	-
19	Thelen, Heidi	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
	Team									1						
	Totals	5	56	25	161	.193	49	2	5	5	68	2	24	1	2	-

Tea	m At	tack By Set			T	IATC	L TE	АМ В	LOCKS: 14.0
Set	K	E TA Pct							
1	12	7 34 .147	SET SCORES	1	2	3	4	5	Team Records:
2	16	4 34 .353	Penn State (2)	18	25	24	25	12	15-2
3	9	3 37 .162	Northwestern (3)	25	23	26	17	15	11-6
4	13	3 33 .303							
_	-	0 22 007							

				At	tack			Sei	rve			E	Block	(
#	Northwestern	s	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	ВН	Pts
1	Taylor Tashima	5	7	2	13	.385	52	0	0	0	10	0	2	0	0	-
2	Symone Abbott	5	17	11	51	.118	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	-
4	Rachael Fara	5	8	3	14	.357	2	2	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	-
7	Katie Kniep	5	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	-
11	Maddie Slater	5	10	2	27	.296	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	-
15	Kayla Morin	5	15	5	39	.256	3	1	2	0	14	0	5	0	1	-
5	Caroline Niedospial	5	0	0	0	.000	3	0	1	0	21	0	0	0	0	-
10	Rafae Strobos	5	0	0	0	.000	0	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	-
13	Abbie Kraus	5	0	0	0	.000	1	0	6	2	10	0	0	0	0	-
16	Sofia Lavin	5	10	7	31	.097	1	0	2	0	5	0	0	0	0	-
	Totals	5	67	30	175	211	62	5	15	2	75	0	16	2	- 1	

ea	m At	tack B	y Set
Set	K	E TA	Pct
1	15	2 30	.433
2	15	6 37	.243
3	17	10 47	.149
4	13	7 40	.150
5	7	5 21	095

EVANSTON, ILL. - No. 3 Penn State came up short in a five set loss to Northwestern on the road at Welsh-Ryan Arena.

After a back and forth opening, Northwestern rallied to tied the score, 18-18, before a Penn State service error and a pair of Wildcat kills moved Northwestern ahead, 21-18, forcing Penn State to call a timeout. The Nittany Lions could not get back on track out of the break as NU used a late 7-0 rally to take set one, 25-18.

Trailing by four in the second set, a Northwestern service error out of the break sparked a 5-1 PSU streak that put Penn State within one, 19-18, prompting the Wildcats to call a timeout. Penn State came out of the huddle with a block from Whitney and Frantti, but NU continued to match PSU point-for-point to keep the score locked up. Tied at 20-20, Whitney and Courtney followed a Wildcat point with a pair of kills to put Penn State on top, 23-22. A Northwestern attack error on the on the next point set the Nittany Lions up for set point, 24-22. The Wildcats held off one attempt before an overpass kill from Lee secured a 25-23 win in the second set in favor of the Nittany Lions to tie the match, 1-1.

Penn State and Northwestern battled back-and-forth in the third set. The Wildcats used 3-1 spurt to break away from an 18-all tie and move ahead 21-19, forcing Penn State to call a timeout. Two NU errors and a solo stuff from Frantti out of the break lifted the Nittany Lions ahead by one, 22-21, prompting the Wildcats to use a timeout. Northwestern came out of the break firing, using a 3-1 strike to arrive at set point, 24-23. Whitney held off the attempt with a kill, 24-24, but two Wildcat kills gave Northwestern a 26-24 win in the third set

With PSU leading by as many as seven in the fourth set, 17-10, the Wildcats looked to get back on track with a kill, 17-11, but Lee sparked a 5-2 stretch that sent Penn State ahead by as many as nine, 22-13. Two Northwestern kills trimmed the margin to seven, 22-15, but a Wildcat attack error and a block from Lee and Whitney lifted Penn State to set point, 24-15. Northwestern held off two attempts before serving long to give the Nittany Lions a 25-17 win in the fourth set.

Trailing by as many as five in the fifth set, 6-1, a block from Whitney and Lee and a kill from Washington shaved the deficit to three, 6-3. The Wildcats answered back with a 3-1 strike to move back ahead by five, 9-4. A Northwestern attack error gave the Nittany Lions an opportunity, but Penn State called timeout after another NU kill made it 10-5. Penn State rallied out of the break with a 4-2 stretch to pull within three, 12-9. Penn State and Northwestern traded points before a Wildcat attack error brought the Nittany Lions within two, 13-11, causing NU to call a timeout. A Nittany Lion attack error out of the break made it match point for the Wildcats, 14-11. An NU service error held off the attempt before a Wildcat kill gave Northwestern a 15-12 win in the fifth set.

Match 18: #5 Penn State 3, Indiana 0

Oct. 16, 2015 - University Park, Pa. | Rec Hall

				At	tack			Sei	rve			E	Block	ι		
#	Indiana	s	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	вн	Pts
3	Merrit,Kyndall	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	1	8	0	0	0	0	0.0
4	George,Chante	3	6	3	20	.150	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	6.5
8	Anderson, Amelia	3	10	9	32	.031	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10.0
9	Tallman, Megan	3	0	1	3	333	29	0	2	0	2	0	1	2	1	0.5
12	Fogg,Samantha	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	8	0	0	0	0	0.0
20	Nwaeze, Awele	3	6	3	18	.167	0	0	1	0	5	1	1	0	0	7.5
1	Harnish, Courtney	3	0	0	1	.000	2	0	3	0	13	0	0	0	0	0.0
6	Lebo,Taylor	3	2	2	9	.000	0	0	3	1	11	0	0	0	0	2.0
7	Leish,Jessica	2	6	3	20	.150	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	6.0
11	Hammond, Allison	1	1	2	4	250	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0
14	Asdell, Elizabeth	3	3	1	11	.182	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	3.5
15	Waggoner, Mallory	1	1	2	4	250	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0
	Totals	3	35	26	122	.074	32	0	10	3	51	1	4	2	1	38.0
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Tear	n At	tack B	y Set					TO	DTAL	TEAM BLOCKS: 3.0
Set	K	E TA	Pct	Sideout	Pct					
1	12	8 41	.098	11-24	45%	SET SCORES				Team Records:
2	13	10 46	.065	10-25	40%	Indiana (0)	18	15	14	12-7, 2-5
3	10	8 35	.057	11-24	45%	Penn State (3)	25	25	25	16-2, 5-2
				32-73	4306					

				At	tack	- 1		Sei	rve			E	Block	۱ ،		
#	Penn State	s	K	Е	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	ВА	BE	ВН	Pts
2	Caraway,Lara	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0.0
5	Frantti,Ali	3	5	3	23	.087	1	2	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	7.0
14	Whitney, Aiyana	3	6	1	23	.217	0	0	0	0	1	0	8	0	0	10.0
15	Washington, Haleigh	3	5	1	16	.250	0	0	2	0	3	1	2	1	0	7.0
21	Weiskircher, Bryanna	3	2	1	6	.167	28	0	0	0	9	0	6	1	0	5.0
22	Lee,Simone	3	10	1	19	.474	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	11.5
3	Pierce, Kendall	3	0	0	0	.000	1	1	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	1.0
6	Reed,Nia	3	6	3	14	.214	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	7.0
8	Pierce,Lainy	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
12	Holcomb, Keeton	3	0	0	0	.000	4	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	0.0
13	Krause, Taylor	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
19	Thelen, Heidi	1	1	0	2	.500	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1.5
	Totals	З	35	10	103	.243	34	3	2	0	51	2	20	2	0	50.0

12 Hc	lcom	b,Keet	on		3	0	0	0	.000	4	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	0.
13 Kr	ause	,Taylor			1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.
19 Th	elen,	Heidi			1	1	0	2	.500	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1.
То	tals				3	35	10	103	.243	34	3	2	0	51	2	20	2	0	50.
Tear Set		tack B		Sideout	Pc	t						Т	ОТА	L TEA	МВ	LOC	KS:	12.0	
1	13	5 37	.216	12-19	63%)	Site	: Univ	ersity F	ark,	Pa.	(Red	crea	tion E	uild	ling)			
2	9	2 29	.241	10-15	66%)	Date	e: Oct	16, 20	15 .	Atte	nd:	2938	B Tir	ne:	1:2	2		
3	13	3 37	.270	12-15	80%)	Refe	erees:	Michell	e Pra	iter,	Mar	a W	ager					
				34-49	69%														
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UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. - Career-high performances led No. 5 Penn State past Indiana in straight sets Friday evening at home in Rec Hall.

Simone Lee led the offense for the second consecutive outing, totaling 10 kills on a career-high .474 hitting efficiency. Aiyana Whitney and Nia Reed finished tied for second on the team with six kills each. In addition to a career-high kills tally, Reed also notched her first career multi-block performance with a pair of blocks.

Senior Lara Caraway logged a career-high eight digs in her first collegiate start. Whitney led the blocking unit with a career-high eight blocks, while Bryanna Weiskircher finished second with a career-high six blocks.

With the Hoosiers within one, 10-9 early in the first set, the Nittany Lions regrouped with an 8-2 scoring stretch, featuring a pair of kills and a block from Lee to send Penn State ahead by as many as seven, 18-11. Indiana called another timeout and came out of the huddle with a kill and a block, but a service error kept Penn State on top, 19-13. Indiana looked to spark a run with a kill, 19-14, but PSU answered with a 5-3 stretch capped off by kills from Weiskircher and Lee to arrive at set point, 24-17. A Nittany Lion attack error held off the attempt, before a kill from Lee closed out a 25-18 win in the first set.

Trailing by one early in the second set, 4-3, two kills from Washington and one from Frantti lifted the Nittany Lions ahead, 6-4. IU looked to break up the momentum with a kill, 6-5, but an Indiana service error and a block and a kill from Washington kept Penn State on top, 9-5. A Hoosier block kept Indiana close, 9-6, but two PSU blocks and a kill opened up a 10-5 run that bolstered the Nittany Lion advantage to as many as eight, 19-11. The Hoosiers called a timeout, but an ace from Pierce out of the break sent Penn State ahead, 20-11. An Indiana kill and a PSU attack error trimmed the margin, 20-13, but Whitney sparked a 4-2 strike with a kill to carry the Nittany Lions to set point, 24-15. An Indiana service error handed the Nittany Lions a 25-15 win in the second set for a 2-0 lead in the match at the intermission.

Penn State came out of the break firing, using a 12-7 lead to construct an early advantage. The Hoosiers looked to break up the rhythm with a timeout, but Lee sparked a 5-1 run with three consecutive kills to send Penn State surging ahead, 17-8. Indiana looked to get back on track with a kill, 17-9, but a kill from Whitney and a block from Whitney and sophomore Heidi Thelen stretched the Nittany Lion advantage to double digits, 19-9.

Indiana looked to break up the streak with a kill, 19-10, but kills from Whitney, Thelen and Weiskircher in between one IU kill made it 22-11. The Hoosiers made one final attempt to mount a comeback with a 2-1 strike, 23-13, but a kill from Whitney and a block from Whitney and Weiskircher finished off a 25-14 win in the third set to complete the sweep.

Match 19: #5 Penn State 3, #18 Purdue 0

Oct. 17, 2015 - University Park, Pa. | Rec Hall

				At	tack			Ser	rve			E	Block	(
#	Purdue s	3	K	Е	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	BA	BE	ВН	Pts
3	Peters, Brooke 3	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0.0
5	Evans, Ashley 3	3	4	0	8	.500	24	0	0	0	6	0	1	0	0	4.5
8	Smith, Alexa 2	2	1	0	9	.111	1	0	0	1	7	0	3	0	0	2.5
13	Adelaja, Faye 3	3	8	4	14	.286	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	10.0
18	Drews, Annie 3	3	11	8	33	.091	2	0	2	0	6	0	1	0	0	11.5
20	Cuttino, Danielle 3	3	6	3	18	.167	0	0	0	0	1	1	4	0	0	9.0
1	Dimke, Lydia 1	L	0	0	0	.000	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
4	Epenesa, Sam 3	3	4	4	13	.000	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	5.0
6	Workman, Kate 3	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
7	Neill, Amanda 3	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	3	1	7	0	0	0	0	0.0
10	Stahl, Azariah 3	3	2	3	9	111	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2.5
	Totals 3	3	36	22	104	.135	33	1	8	4	32	2	12	0	0	45.0

Team Attack By Set											
	Set	Set K E TA Pct Sideout									
	1	10	7 37	.081	12-24	50%					
	2	12	8 36	.111	14-25	56%					
	3	14	7 31	.226	14-24	58%					
					40.72	E40/-					

SET SCORES
Purdue (0)
Penn State (3)

1	2	3	Team Records
18	17	17	15-4, 6-2
25	25	25	17-2, 6-2

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 8.0

				Att	tack			Sei	rve			E	Block	•		
#	Penn State	s	K	E	TA	Pct	Ast	SA	SE	RE	Dig	BS	BA	BE	ВН	Pts
2	Caraway,Lara	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0.0
5	Frantti, Ali	3	9	2	22	.318	1	0	0	0	11	0	6	0	0	12.0
14	Whitney, Aiyana	3	6	1	16	.312	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	1	7.5
15	Washington, Haleigh	3	10	0	17	.588	0	0	1	0	1	3	6	2	1	16.0
21	Weiskircher, Bryanna	3	1	1	3	.000	36	4	0	0	6	0	3	1	0	6.5
22	Lee,Simone	3	12	4	24	.333	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	12.5
3	Pierce, Kendall	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	0.0
6	Reed,Nia	3	3	3	9	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3.5
12	Holcomb,Keeton	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0.0
19	Thelen, Heidi	3	0	1	1	-1.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Totals	3	41	12	92	.315	39	4	- 1	1	42	3	20	3	2	58.0

Team Attack By Set											
	Set	K	E TA	Pct	Sideout	Pct					
Ī	1	14	6 34	.235	13-19	68%					
	2	14	5 36	.250	14-17	82%					
	3	13	1 22	.545	15-18	83%					
					42-54	77%					

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 13.0

Site: University Park, Pa. (Recreation Building) Date: Oct 17, 2015 Attend: 4032 Time: 1:23 Referees: Mara Wager, Michelle Prater

	1	2	3	Tota
Tie scores	2	6	2	10
Lead change	1	2	0	3

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. - Double figure kills from sophomores Haleigh Washington and Simone Lee guided No. 5 Penn State past No. 18 Purdue in straight sets Saturday evening at Rec Hall.

Penn State and Purdue opened the match trading points to keep the score close. With the frame tied, 3-3, a kill from Lee and a block from Frantti and Whitney helped spark a 5-1 strike that lifted Penn State ahead by as many as four, 8-4. The Boilermakers looked to cut off the momentum with a kill, 8-5, but the Nittany Lions regrouped with a 4-1 run capped off by back-to-back solo stuffs from Washington to double the advantage, 12-6. Washington and Weiskircher came out of the break with a block, 13-6, but the Boilermakers battled back with a 7-4 run to cut the Nittany Lion lead back to four, 17-13. Penn State called timeout and came out of the break with kills from Whitney and Washington to open up a 4-1 stretch that lifted PSU ahead by as many as seven, 21-14.

The Boilermakers looked to mount a comeback a block, 21-15, but two consecutive kills from Washington and Lee quickly made it 23-15. Purdue made one final attempt to put together a run with two consecutive kills, 23-17, but a kill from Washington made it set point, 24-17. Penn State and Purdue traded service errors, handing the Nittany Lions a 25-18 win in the first set.

Much like the opening frame, Penn State and Purdue battled back and forth in the first part of the second set. With the score knotted 8-8, an ace from Weiskircher and a Purdue attack error gave the Nittany Lions a two-point cushion, 10-8. A PSU attack error shaved the advantage to one, 10-9, but a kill from redshirt freshman Nia Reed sparked a 4-2 stretch that sent the Nittany Lions up by three, 14-11.

Purdue called a timeout, but Penn State rallied out of the break with another 4-2 streak to make it 18-13, prompting the Boilermakers to call a timeout. PSU came out of the huddle with a pair of kills and a tandem block from Whitney and Lee to widen the Nittany Lion advantage to as many as eight, 21-13. The Boilermakers responded with a 4-2 spurt to shrink the Penn State lead to six, 23-17, causing Penn State to call a timeout. Two straight Purdue errors out of the timeout gave the Nittany Lions a 25-17 win in the second set for a 2-0 lead heading into the intermission.

With Purdue close behind in the third set, 9-8, a kill from Lee and an ace from Weiskircher sparked a 5-2 strike that lifted Penn State ahead by four, 14-10. The Boilermakers answered with a kill and a tremendous ace to cut the advantage to two, 14-12. Washington followed with back-to-back kills to put together a 6-2 scoring streak that sent Penn State surging ahead, 20-13. Purdue looked to cut off the momentum with a kill, 20-14, but Penn State used a 4-2 stretch to arrive at match point, 24-16. The Boilermakers held off one attempt before a service error closed out a 25-17 win in the third set in favor of the Nittany Lions to complete the sweep.