



MIAMI HURRICANES

MATCH INFO

Date: Aug. 28
Time: 6 p.m.
Location: Coral Gables, Fla.
Stadium: Knight Sports Complex
Television: ACC Network Extra
Live Stats: miami.statbroadcast.com
Series: 12-3
at Miami: 7-0
at FAU: 3-2
Neutral: 2-1
Last Meeting: 3-0, Miami (9/16/21)

SCHEDULE (H: 2-0, A: 0-0, N: 0-0)

DATE	OPPONENT	TV	TIME/RESULT
August			
25	MARYLAND ^A	ACCNX	W, 3-1
26	FIU ^A	ACCNX	W, 3-0
28	FAU	ACCNX	6 p.m.
September			
1	at. South Carolina%	SECN+	7 p.m.
2	vs. Troy%		12:30 p.m.
8	at Wisconsin\$		8 p.m.
9	vs. Arizona\$		8 p.m.
15	INDIANA#	ACCNX	7 p.m.
16	STETSON#	ACCNX	11 a.m.
16	JACKSONVILLE#	ACCNX	7 p.m.
22	at Wake Forest*	ACCNX	7 p.m.
24	Virginia Tech*	ACCNX	12 p.m.
29	DUKE*	ACCNX	7 p.m.
October			
1	UNC*	ACCNX	1 p.m.
4	FLORIDA STATE*	ACCN	7 p.m.
6	NC STATE	ACCNX	7 p.m.
13	at Clemson*	ACCNX	7 p.m.
15	at Georgia Tech*	ACCNX	1 p.m.
20	SYRACUSE*	ACCNX	7 p.m.
22	BOSTON COLLEGE*	ACCNX	1 p.m.
27	at Notre Dame*	ACCNX	6:30 p.m.
29	at Louisville*	ACCNX	1 p.m.
November			
3	VIRGINIA*	ACCNX	7 p.m.
5	PITTSBURGH*	ACCNX	1 p.m.
12	at Florida State*	ACCN	1 p.m.
17	GEORGIA TECH*	ACCNX	7 p.m.
22	at Pittsburgh*	ACCNX	7 p.m.
25	at Boston College*	ACCNX	1 p.m.

BOLD CAPS - home game

* - ACC game

^ - Canes Classic

% - Gamecock Challenge

\$ - Wisconsin Tournament

- 305 Challenge

All times Eastern and subject to change

THE MATCHUP

Miami Hurricanes (2-0, 0-0 ACC)

Head Coach: Jose "Keno" Gandara

Season at UM: 11th

Miami Record: 177-105 (.628)

Career Record: 177-105 (.628)



FAU Owls (2-1, 0-0 C-USA)

Head Coach: Fernanda Nelson

Season at UM: 12th

Record at UM: 152-139 (.522)

Career Record: 152-139 (.522)



QUICK HITS

GETTING INTO THE SWING OF THINGS

• The Hurricanes' are coming off hosting the Canes Classic where they went undefeated on the weekend with back-to-back wins over Maryland and FIU.

• Miami dominated its opponents in kills with 101 to 74, as well as claiming a .329 attack percentage to a combined .206 over the Terrapins and Panthers.

• Peyman Yardimci currently leads the team with 28 kills, with Angela Grieve following behind with 25.

• Janice Leao picked up right where she left off in defensive stats, holding the No. 1 spot in blocks with 10.

IN THE CONFERENCE

• Leading the ACC, Grieve holds the top spot in service aces with six, while Savannah Vach notches first with 77 assists.

• The Hurricanes also lead in kills and assists for a four-set match, claiming 60 kills and 53 assists vs. Maryland.

• Miami edges the conference in service aces, with 14 against FIU. The stat is good for tying the third-most in a match in program history.

STAT LEADERS

Kills	Peyman Yardimci	28
	Angela Grieve	25
	Flormarie Heredia Colon	16
Assists	Savannah Vach	77
	Milana Moisio	6
	Flormarie Heredia Colon	3
Digs	Milana Moisio	19
	Angela Grieve	19
	Savannah Vach	18
Blocks	Janice Leao	10
	Peyman Yardimci	5
	Savannah Vach	4
Service Aces	Angela Grieve	6
	Yaidaliz Rosado	5
	Milana Moisio	4

HEAD-TO-HEAD

Miami		FAU
.329	Attack %	.227
101	Kills	155
14.43	Kills/Set	14.09
90	Assists	150
12.86	Assists/Set	13.64
85	Digs	170
12.14	Digs/Set	15.45
13	Blocks	16
1.86	Blocks/Set	1.45
21	Service Aces	25
21	Service Errors	31

AVCA RANKINGS

Rank	School	Record
1	Texas (44)	0-0
2	Wisconsin (7)	0-0
3	Stanford (13)	0-0
4	Louisville	0-0
T-5	Nebraska	0-0
T-5	Pittsburgh	0-0
7	Minnesota	0-0
8	Penn State	0-0
9	Oregon	0-0
10	Kentucky	0-0
11	Florida	0-0
12	Marquette	0-0
13	San Diego	0-0
14	Ohio State	0-0
15	Baylor	0-0
16	Purdue	0-0
17	BYU	0-0
18	Creighton	0-0
19	Houston	0-0
20	Georgia Tech	0-0
21	Washington State	0-0
22	Southern California	0-0
23	Rice	0-0
24	Western Kentucky	0-0
25	Arkansas	0-0

Received Votes: Kansas 99; Tennessee 84; Washington 63; Auburn 62; UCF 53; Hawaii 49; **Miami (FL) 45**; Georgia 35; LSU 28; TCU 20; Illinois 18; Utah 18; Iowa State 14; Loyola Marymount 14; Pepperdine 14; **Florida State 12**; James Madison 5

BOLD is ACC team



MIAMI HURRICANES ROSTER

NUMERICAL

#	NAME	POS.	HT.	CL.	HOMETOWN / HS / LAST SCHOOL
1	Savannah Vach	S	5-10	Sr.	Winter Springs, Fla. / Oviedo
2	Naylani Feliciano	L	5-7	So.	Plano, Texas / Plano Senior
3	Cianna Tejada	OH	6-1	Fr.	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. / Pine Crest School
4	Ashley Carr	MB	6-0	Jr.	Glenview, Ill. / Glenview South
6	Shannon Knight	MB	6-1	So.	Manhattan Beach, Calif. / Mira Costa
7	Yaidaliz Rosado	DS	5-8	Jr.	Morovis, P.R. / Piaget Bilingual Academy
8	Milana Moisis	L	5-5	So.	Waukegan, Ill. / Carmel Catholic
9	Bianka Lulic	MH	6-5	Fr.	San Diego, Calif. / La Jolla Country Day High School
10	Flormarie Heredia Colon	OH	6-0	So.	Santo Domingo, D.R. / Central Pointe Christian Academy (Fla.)
11	Alanys Viera	S	5-5	Jr.	Longwood, Fla. / Lyman
12	Taylor Polivka	S	5-11	Fr.	Keller, Texas / Keller High School
13	Ariana Rodriguez	S	5-10	Fr.	New York, NY / Poly Prep Country Day School
14	Angela Grieve	OH	6-0	RSr.	Jupiter, Fla. / South Fork
15	Nyah Anderson	OH	6-0	Jr.	San Antonio, Texas / Ronald Reagan
16	Abby Casiano	MB	6-2	Gr.	Riverview, Fla. / Syracuse / Tampa United Volleyball Academy
17	Janice Leao	MB	6-3	Gr.	New Bedford, Mass. / New Bedford
18	Anna Ross	OH	6-2	So.	Malibu, Calif. / Santa Monica
19	Peyman Yardimci	OH	6-0	Jr.	Istanbul, Turkey / TED Istanbul Koleji
20	Semrit Nijjar	OH	6-3	So.	Vancouver, British Columbia / Mount St. Mary Academy (N.J.)
23	Grace Lopez	OH	6-1	Fr.	Aguada, P.R. / Froebel Bilingual School

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Jose "Keno" Gandara (UC Santa Barbara '90, 11th season)

Assistant Coach: Jillian Hadder (UMass Lowell '11, Eighth season)

Assistant Coach: Eric Johnson (Springfield College '16, First season)

Director of Operations: Natalia Gaby Huaroto-Luque (SMU '18, Fourth season)

Volunteer Technical Coordinator: Luis Serra

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

NO.	NAME	FIRST	LAST
	Jose "Keno" Gandara	Ho-ZAY KEH-No	GAHN-Duh-Ruh
	Natalia Gaby Huaroto-Loque		WAHR-oh-toe LOO-kay
1	Savannah Vach		VOCK
2	Naylani Feliciano		Feh-LEE-cee-AHNO
7	Yaidaliz Rosado	Yie-DAH-Leez	Roe-SAH-Do
8	Milana Moisis	Mee-LAH-nuh	MOY-see-oh
9	Bianka Lulic		LOO-lick
11	Alanys Viera	Uh-LAH-Nis	Vee-AIR-Uh
13	Cianna Tejada	See-AH-nuh	Tay-HAH-duh
14	Angela Grieve		GREEVE
16	Nyah Anderson	NYE-uh	
17	Janice Leao		LAY-Ow
19	Peyman Yardimci	PAY-Min	Yar-DIM-Chi
20	Semrit Nijjar	SEM-rit	Nuh-HEER



HEAD COACH JOSE "KENO" GANDARA

11TH SEASON | UC SANTA BARBARA, 1990

Career Record: 177-105 | UM Record: 177-105 | ACC Record: 115-71

GANDARA'S CAREER

Assistant Coach (Men's team)	
1992-1994	UCSB
Assistant Coach (Women's team)	
1994-	UCSB
Associate Coach	
--	UNLV
Assistant Coach	
2005-2013	Washington
Head Coach	
2013-Pres.	Miami

EDUCATION

UC Santa Barbara, 1990

NCAA APPEARANCES

- 2005 - Washington - Champions
- 2006 - Washington - Final Four
- 2013 - Miami - First Round
- 2014 - Miami - Second Round
- 2015 - Miami - First Round
- 2017 - Miami - Second Round
- 2021 - Miami - Second Round
- 2022 - Miami - First Round

PLAYING CAREER

UC Santa Barbara, 1987-90

PLAYING ACCOLDADES

- First Team All-American, 1989
- Second Team All-American, 1988
- Two-time All-Conference Selection
- Played in 1988 National Championship
- Inducted into UCSB Hall of Fame
- Has represented the U.S. and Puerto Rico international teams

Jose "Keno" Gandara accepted the position of head volleyball coach at the University of Miami on March 20, 2013, becoming the second head coach since the program returned in 2001.

Gandara wrapped his first decade with the Hurricanes by making a back-to-back NCAA tournament appearance. The team notched a 19-11 record, highlighted by a top-10 victory over Georgia Tech at home and 10 sweeps. Miami concluded the season with a 12-6 conference record for fourth place, as well as claiming three individual All-Region honors in Angela Grive, Janice Leao and Savannah Vach and four All-ACC accolades; Leao (First Team), Vach and Grive (Second Team) and Flormarie Heredia Colon (Freshman Team).

In Gandara's ninth season at the helm in 2021, Miami returned to the postseason for the first time since 2017 and fifth time under his direction. The Canes advance to the second round of the tournament in the Gainesville Region, ultimately falling to site host Florida. UM finished the season 25-5 overall, with 15 wins coming by way of sweep, and 15-3 in conference play on its way to a second-place finish in the ACC, all program bests under Gandara and the most wins in a season since 2012 when the team posted 26. The Hurricanes finished the year ranked 14th in the RPI and 25th in the AVCA Division I Coaches Poll.

Individually, the Canes saw success with Gandara's leadership as Savannah Vach, Janice Leao and Angela Grieve earned regional recognition. Vach and Leao earned AVCA East All-Region, while Grieve was an all-region honorable mention. Leao also garnered AVCA All-American Honorable Mention. Vach added to her resume with All-ACC First Team, while teammates Grieve, Leao and Priscilla Hernandez were tabbed All-ACC Second Team. Peyman Yardimci tallied a strong freshman campaign to earn a spot on the All-ACC Freshman Team. The trio of Grieve, Yardimci and Hernandez rounded out the Canes awards as all three garnered ACC All-Academic Team honors.

The Hurricanes returned the NCAA Championship in 2017 for the fourth time in five seasons under Gandara's leadership. Miami won its first postseason match since 2014, defeating the College of Charleston in the opening round of the tournament in a Gainesville, Fla. The Canes fell to No. 2 Florida in four sets in an exciting second round matchup to close the season 22-6 and finish with their best winning percentage since 2012.

Senior outside hitter Olga Strantzali was named ACC Player of the Year and AVCA East Coast Region Player of the Year. Strantzali was joined by redshirt junior setter Haley Templeton on the All-ACC First Team and AVCA All-East Coast Region team. Strantzali and Templeton topped off a memorable season with AVCA All-America Honorable Mention recognition. The Canes both started and finished the campaign strong, winning the first nine matches and the seven contests prior to falling to second-seeded Florida. Miami topped the ACC in service aces with 1.71 per set and finished the season in the top three of two additional categories – hitting percentage (second with .246) and kills (tied for third with 13.64 per set).

In 2016, Gandara led a resilient Miami squad that proved to rise to the occasion when it stepped into an opponent's gym. The 2016 Hurricanes won 11 matches away from Coral Gables, picking up big road wins at Notre Dame and Louisville. Junior outside hitter Olga Strantzali developed into one of the best players in the country, receiving AVCA All-America honorable mention and earned AVCA All-East Coast Region and First Team All-ACC honors. Strantzali and freshman setter Hannah Sorensen were named to the All-ACC Academic Team in recognition of their success on the court and in the classroom.

Gandara led the Hurricanes to three straight NCAA Tournaments in his first three seasons at the helm of the Miami volleyball program. The Canes were selected to the 2015 NCAA Tournament, where they faced Iowa State in a first round match in Madison, Wis. The Canes finished the season 21-10 and 14-6 in the ACC, while Miami's 21 wins marked the second consecutive 20-win season under Gandara's leadership. The Hurricanes saw seniors Alexis Mourning and Taylor Scott, as well as sophomores Olga Strantzali and Haley Templeton, named to the 2015 All-ACC Second Team with Strantzali and Templeton also earning AVCA All-East Coast Region Honorable Mention.

Miami reached the NCAA Tournament for the sixth consecutive season in 2014 and seventh time in program history. The Hurricanes, who finished the season 22-9, defeated UCF in five sets in the first round of the NCAA Tournament. The victory was Gandara's first NCAA Tournament win as a head coach. Miami's 22 wins also gave Gandara his first 20-win season at the helm of the program.

The Canes reached the second round of the NCAA Tournament before falling to No. 8 Florida in four sets. But Gandara helped develop several players to reach unprecedented levels of success.

Senior outside hitter Savannah Leaf was named 2014 ACC Player of the Year and a second team AVCA All-American, while freshman Haley Templeton earned ACC Freshman of the Year honors. Leaf was joined by senior middle blocker Emani Sims on the All-ACC First Team, while Templeton was picked for the All-ACC Second Team and the All-ACC Freshman Team. The accolades continued for the trio as Leaf and Sims were named AVCA East Coast All-Region selections and Templeton was tabbed as the AVCA East Coast Region Freshman of the Year.

The 2013 season was filled with firsts for Gandara. He secured his first win as a NCAA head coach on Aug. 30, when Miami defeated Austin Peay, 3-1. Gandara collected his first home win when Miami beat LSU in five sets on Sept. 14. The first-year head coach tallied his first ACC win when the Canes defeated Boston College in five sets on Sept. 28. Gandara also guided the Canes to their fifth straight NCAA Tournament appearance and first under his tutelage.

The Hurricanes dropped their first-round match against Oregon in three sets, but 2013 was still a successful first season under Gandara. Miami had four players earn All-ACC distinction, including Savannah Leaf and Emani Sims (first team), Alexis Mourning (second team) and Ryan Shaffer (third team). The Canes defeated No. 12 North Carolina at home and earned one of the coveted 64 spots in the NCAA Tournament.

Gandara came to Miami after spending eight years as an assistant at the University of Washington. He previously served as an assistant at UNLV and his alma mater, UC Santa Barbara.

Gandara is a highly respected teacher who has played and coached at the top levels of college and professional volleyball. Keno assisted former Washington head coach Jim McLaughlin with all aspects of coaching, including opponent scouting and contributing to the Huskies' defensive package. The Huskies won a National Championship in Keno's first year on staff, 2005, and reached the 2006 Final Four.

Gandara began his coaching career at UCSB in 1992 as an assistant with the men's team and was an assistant with the women's team in 1994. He also spent one season as a head coach/player with the San Juan Volleyball club in the Puerto Rico Professional League.

A San Juan, Puerto Rico, native, Gandara graduated from UC Santa Barbara in 1990 after a successful volleyball career with the Gauchos as a middle blocker. Gandara was a first team All-America selection in 1989 and second team selection in 1988 after leading UCSB to the national title match. He was also a two-time all-conference honoree. Gandara has also been inducted into the UCSB Hall of Fame. He also represented both the United States and Puerto Rico in international competition as a member of their respective national volleyball teams.

Gandara is married to Stephanie Cox who was a standout setter at UCSB and played on the AVP Tour. The couple welcomed their first child, a son named Lucas, in April 2011.



2023-24 OVERALL STATS



2023-24 Miami (FL) Women's Volleyball Combined Team Statistics All games

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Game Records

Overall	Conference	Home	Away	Neutral
2 - 0	0 - 0	2 - 0	0 - 0	0 - 0

Team Box Score

#	Player	SP	Attack				Set		Serve			Dig			Blocking					PTS		
			K	K/S	E	TA	PCT	A	A/S	SA	SE	SA/S	RE	DIG	DIG/S	BS	BA	TOT/S	BLK/S		BE	BHE
1	Vach, Savannah	7	3	0.43	2	7	.143	77	11.00	1	2	0.14	0	18	2.57	0	4	4	0.57	0	1	6.0
2	Feliciano, Naylani	2	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	1	1	0.50	0	1	0.50	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	1.0
7	Rosado, Yaidaliz	6	0	0.00	0	0	.000	1	0.17	5	3	0.83	0	3	0.50	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	5.0
8	Moisio, Milana	7	0	0.00	0	0	.000	6	0.86	4	4	0.57	3	19	2.71	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	4.0
10	Heredia Colon, Flormarie	7	16	2.29	9	43	.163	3	0.43	3	7	0.43	1	8	1.14	0	1	1	0.14	0	0	19.5
11	Viera, Alanys	1	0	0.00	0	0	.000	1	1.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.0
14	Grieve, Angela	7	25	3.57	12	67	.194	0	0.00	6	3	0.86	2	19	2.71	0	2	2	0.29	1	0	32.0
15	Anderson, Nyah	2	1	0.50	1	4	.000	0	0.00	1	0	0.50	0	2	1.00	0	1	1	0.50	0	0	2.5
16	Casiano, Abby	7	14	2.00	0	26	.538	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	2	0.29	0	3	3	0.43	1	0	15.5
17	Leao, Janice	7	14	2.00	1	19	.684	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	1	0.14	0	10	10	1.43	0	0	19.0
19	Yardimci, Peyman	7	28	4.00	5	50	.460	2	0.29	0	1	0.00	0	12	1.71	0	5	5	0.71	0	0	30.5
MIAMI (FL)		7	101	14.43	30	216	.329	90	12.86	21	21	3.00	10	85	12.14	0	26	13	1.86	2	1	135.0
Opponents		7	74	10.57	32	204	.206	61	8.71	10	18	1.43	21	64	9.14	0	22	11	1.57	2	0	95.0

Team statistics

	UM	OPP
ATTACK		
Kills	101	74
Errors	30	32
Total Attacks	216	204
Attack Pct	.329	.206
Kills/Set	14.43	10.57
SET		
Assists	90	61
Attempts	208	191
Assist Pct	.433	.319
Assists/Set	12.86	8.71
SERVE		
Aces	21	10
Errors	21	18
Attempts	170	142
Serve Pct	.876	.873
Aces/Set	3.00	1.43
SERVE RECEPTIONS		
Errors	10	21
Errors/Set	1.43	3.00
Attempts	124	149
Reception Pct	.919	.980
DEFENSE		
Digs	85	64
Digs/Set	12.14	9.14
BLOCKING		
Block solo	0	0
Block Assist	26	22
Total Blocks	13	11
Blocks/Set	1.86	1.57
Block Errors	2	2
Ball handling errors	1	0
ATTENDANCE		
Total	1275	0
Dates/Avg Per Date	2/638	0/0
Neutral Site #/Avg	0/0	-
Current win streak	0	-
Home win streak	0	-

Team Results

Date	Opponent	Score	Score-by-set	Att.
08/25/2023	Maryland	W 3-1	25-13,25-22,23-25,25-23	825
08/26/2023	FIU	W 3-0	26-24,25-17,25-14	450



2022-23 ACC STATS



2023-24 PHOTO ROSTER



1
Savannah Vach
S | 5-10 | Sr.



2
Naylani Feliciano
L | 5-7 | So.



3
Cianna Tejada
OH | 6-1 | So.



4
Ashley Carr
MB | 6-0 | Jr.



6
Shannon Knight
MB | 6-1 | So.



7
Yaidaliz Rosado
DS | 5-8 | Jr.



8
Milana Moisis
L | 5-5 | So.



9
Bianka Lulić
MH | 6-5 | Fr.



10
Flormarie Heredia Colon
OH | 6-0 | So.



11
Alanys Viera
S | 5-5 | Jr.



12
Taylor Polivka
S | 5-11 | Fr.



13
Ariana Rodriguez
S | 5-10 | Fr.



14
Angela Grieve
OH | 6-0 | R-Sr.



15
Nyah Anderson
OH | 6-0 | Jr.



16
Abby Casiano
MB | 6-2 | Gr.



17
Janice Leao
MB | 6-3 | Gr.



18
Anna Ross
OH | 6-2 | So.



19
Peyman Yardimci
OH | 6-0 | Jr.



20
Semrit Nijjar
OH | 6-3 | So.



23
Grace Lopez
OH | 6-1 | Fr.



Head Coach
Jose "Keno" Gandara
11th Season



Associate Head Coach
Jillian Hadder
7th Season



Assistant Coach
Eric Johnson
1st Season



Director of Ops.
Gaby Huaroto-Luque
4th Season