MIAMI VS. WISCONSIN

Sept. 8 | 8 p.m. ET Wisconsin Field House | Madison, Wis. B1G+ Network

2023 VOLLEYBALL MIAMI HURRICANES

ALL-TIME

Series: 1-1 at Miami: 0-0 at Wisconsin: 1-1 Neutral: 0-0

Last Meeting: 0-3, Wisconsin (9/12/14)

THE MATCHUP

Miami Hurricanes (4-1, 0-0 ACC)

Head Coach: Jose "Keno" Gandara

Season at UM: 11th

Miami Record: 181-106 (.631) Career Record: 181-106 (.631)



Wisconsin Badgers (5-0, 0-0 Big Ten)

Head Coach: Kelly Sheffield Season at UW: 11th

Record at UW: 267-57 (.824) Career Record: 539-169 (.761)



QUICK HITS

LAST TIME OUT

- Miami took its first road trip of the season to Columbia, S.C., going 1-1 on weekend. The Canes dropped a five-set thriller to the Gamecocks and bounced back with a 3-0 sweep over Troy.
- Because of fifth-year setter Savannah Vach's dominant performance of 87 total assists and notching a .562 setting percentage vs. Troy, she claimed the ACC Setter of the Week honor.

GETTING INTO THE SWING OF THINGS

• The Hurricanes matched their opponents in kills (113), blocks (19.0) and led in assists (112 to 103).

IN THE RANKINGS

- In the ACC, Miami ranks second in assists per set (13.63) and kills per set (14.68), while placing fourth in hitting percentage (.293) and fifth in blocks per set (2.26).
- Vach leads the ACC and ranks seventh in the NCAA in assists per set (11.53), while also tallying the most assists in a match in the ACC with 55.
- Sophomore Flormarie Heredia Colon matched Miami's highest attack percentage in a match in program history and moved her to No. 2 in the ACC with a .667 after facing Troy.
- Graduate student Abby Casiano is tied for fifth in the ACC in blocks in a match with 7.0 after taking on South Carolina.

HEAD-TO-HEAD

Miami		UW
.293	Attack %	.323
279	Kills	280
14.68	Kills/Set	14.00
259	Assists	263
13.63	Assists/Set	13.15
248	Digs	284
13.05	Digs/Set	14.20
43	Blocks	58
2.26	Blocks/Set	2.90
29	Service Aces	21

STAT LEADERS

Kills	Flormarie Heredia Colon Angela Grieve Peyman Yardimci	65 57 55
Assists	Savannah Vach	219
Digs	Savannah Vach Naylani Feliciano	40 37
Blocks	Abby Casiano Janice Leao	15 12
Service A	Aces Yaidaliz Rosado Angela Grieve	7 6

SCHEDULE (H: 3-0, A: 0-0, N: 0-0) *all times eastern **OPPONENT** ΤV TIME/RESULT Date **OPPONENT** TV TIME/RESULT Date 08/25 MARYLAND[^] **ACCNX** 10/04 FLORIDA STATE* ACCN W. 3-1 7 p.m. FIU^ 08/26 **ACCNX** NC STATE* W. 3-0 10/06 **ACCNX** 7 p.m. 08/28 FAU **ACCNX** W. 3-1 10/13 at Clemson* **ACCNX** 7 p.m. 1 p.m. 09/01 at South Carolina% L. 2-3 10/15 at Georgia Tech* **ACCNX** SECN+ 09/02 vs. Trov% W, 3-0 10/20 SYRACUSE* ACCNX 7 p.m. 09/08 at Wisconsin\$ 10/22 **BOSTON COLLEGE* ACCNX** 8 p.m. 1 p.m. 09/09 vs. Arizona\$ 8 p.m. 10/27 at Notre Dame* **ACCNX** 6:30 p.m. 7 p.m. 09/15 INDIANA# **ACCNX** 10/29 at Louisville* **ACCNX** 1 p.m. 09/16 STETSON# **ACCNX** 11 a.m. 11/03 **VIRGINIA* ACCNX** 7 p.m. 09/16 JACKSONVILLE# **ACCNX** 11/05 PITTSBURGH* **ACCNX** 7 p.m. 1 p.m.

BOLD CAPS - home games

at Wake Forest*

at Virginia Tech*

DUKE*

UNC*

09/22

09/24

09/29

10/01

ACC*

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Canes Classic[^]

7 p.m.

12 p.m.

7 p.m.

1 p.m.

Gamecock Challenge%

11/12

11/17

11/22

11/25

Wisconsin Tournament\$

ACCNX

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at Florida State*

at Pittsburgh*

GEORGIA TECH*

at Boston College*

305 Challenge#

1 p.m.

7 p.m.

7 p.m.

1 p.m.

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, III. / 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 Moisio	L	5-5	So.	Waukegan, III. / 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 Moisio	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

AVCA RANKING

Rank	School	Record
1	Wisconsin (61)	5-0
2	Louisville	6-0
3	Florida (2)	4-0
4	Nebraska (1)	5-0
5	Stanford	3-1
6	Oregon	6-0
7	Texas	2-2
8	BYU	6-0
9	Pittsburgh	4-1
10	Minnesota	2-2
11	Georgia Tech	4-0
12	Penn State	3-2
13	Washington State	5-1
14	Baylor	1-2
15	Ohio State	3-2
16	Creighton	5-1
17	Arkansas	4-2
18	Tennessee	5-1
19	Kentucky	1-3
20	Purdue	3-2
21	Houston	4-1
22	Kansas	3-1
23	Hawai'i	4-1
24	Marquette	2-3
25	Auburn	5-0

Received Votes: Rice 96; Iowa State 78; Western Kentucky 66; Washington 32; Dayton 24; UCF 17; Utah State 11; San Diego 9; James Madison 7; Texas A&M 7; Colorado State 6; **Duke 6**; Texas State 5

BOLD is ACC team

ACC RANKING

Rank	School	Record
1	Boston College	0-0
2	Clemson	0-0
3	Duke	0-0
4	Florida State	0-0
5	Georgia Tech	0-0
6	Louisville	0-0
7	Miami	0-0
8	NC State	0-0
9	Notre Dame	0-0
10	UNC	0-0
11	Piitsburgh	0-0
12	Syracuse	0-0
13	Virginia	0-0
14	Virginia Tech	0-0
15	Wake Forest	0-0



HEAD COACH JOSE "KENO" GANDARA

11th Season | UC Santa Barbara, 1990

Career Record: 187-106 | UM Record: 187-106 | 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 Grieve (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 lowa 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 Savanah 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 Savanah 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 Miami (FL) Women's Volleyball **Combined Team Statistics** All games

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Game Records

Overall	Conference	Home	Away	Neutral		
4 - 1	0 - 0	3 - 0	0 - 1	1 - 0		

Team Box Score

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##	Player	SP	K	K/S	Е	TA	PCT	Α	A/S	SA	SE	SA/S	RE	DIG	DIG/S	BS	ВА	TOT/S	BLK/S	ΒE	BHE	PTS
1	Vach, Savannah	19	5	0.26	3	16	.125	219	11.53	1	6	0.05	0	40	2.11	1	6	7	0.37	1	3	10.0
2	Feliciano, Naylani	14	0	0.00	0	0	.000	9	0.64	4	5	0.29	1	37	2.64	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	4.0
3	Tejada, Cianna	10	9	0.90	4	19	.263	0	0.00	0	1	0.00	0	0	0.00	1	5	6	0.60	0	0	12.5
4	Carr, Ashley	5	3	0.60	3	9	.000	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	1	0.20	0	3	3	0.60	0	0	4.5
7	Rosado, Yaidaliz	16	0	0.00	0	0	.000	3	0.19	7	3	0.44	0	12	0.75	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	7.0
8	Moisio, Milana	13	0	0.00	0	0	.000	7	0.54	4	5	0.31	3	24	1.85	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	4.0
10	Heredia Colon, Flormarie	18	65	3.61	22	145	.297	5	0.28	5	14	0.28	1	30	1.67	3	6	9	0.50	1	0	76.0
11	Viera, Alanys	5	0	0.00	0	1	.000	11	2.20	0	1	0.00	0	8	1.60	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.0
14	Grieve, Angela	14	57	4.07	27	155	.194	0	0.00	6	4	0.43	5	34	2.43	2	6	8	0.57	1	0	68.0
15	Anderson, Nyah	7	14	2.00	6	28	.286	1	0.14	1	3	0.14	4	9	1.29	0	3	3	0.43	0	0	16.5
16	Casiano, Abby	18	34	1.89	3	70	.443	2	0.11	0	0	0.00	0	2	0.11	1	14	15	0.83	1	0	42.0
17	Leao, Janice	10	20	2.00	1	33	.576	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	1	0.10	0	12	12	1.20	0	0	26.0
19	Yardimci, Peyman	16	55	3.44	15	123	.325	2	0.13	0	1	0.00	0	33	2.06	0	11	11	0.69	1	0	60.5
23	Lopez, Grace	9	17	1.89	7	42	.238	0	0.00	1	4	0.11	2	17	1.89	1	2	3	0.33	0	0	20.0
MI	AMI (FL)	19	279	14.68	91	641	.293	259	13.63	29	47	1.53	24	248	13.05	9	68	43	2.26	5	3	351.0
Op	ponents	19	231	12.16	103	616	.208	206	10.84	24	42	1.26	29	221	11.63	10	54	37	1.95	8	3	292.0

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ATTACK		
Kills	279	231
Errors	91	103
Total Attacks	641	616
Attack Pct	.293	.208
Kills/Set	14.68	12.16
SET		
Assists	259	206
Attempts	619	606
Assist Pct	.418	.340
Assists/Set	13.63	10.84
SERVE		
Aces	29	24
Errors	47	42
Attempts	453	403
Serve Pct	.896	.896
Aces/Set	1.53	1.26
SERVE RECEPTIONS		
Errors	24	29
Errors/Set	1.26	1.53
Attempts	361	406
Reception Pct	.934	.996
DEFENSE		
Digs	248	221
Digs/Set	13.05	11.63
BLOCKING		
Block solo	9	10
Block Assist	68	54
Total Blocks	43	37
Blocks/Set	2.26	1.95
Block Errors	5	8
Ball handling errors	3	3
ATTENDANCE		
Total	1535	1704
Dates/Avg Per Date	3/512	1/1704
Neutral Site #/Avg	1/68	-
Current win streak	0	-
Home win streak	0	-

Team Results

I	Date	Opponent		Score	Score-by-set	Att.
ĺ	08/25/2023	Maryland	W	3-1	25-13,25-22,23-25,25-23	825
- 1	08/26/2023	FIU	W	3-0	26-24,25-17,25-14	450
	08/28/2023	Fla. Atlantic	W	3-1	25-22,25-18,23-25,25-19	260
- 1	09/01/2023	at South Carolina	L	2-3	25-22,24-26,26-24,23-25,13-15	1704
- [09/02/2023	vs Troy	W	3-0	25-18,25-23,25-23	68



2023-24 PHOTO ROSTER



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.



Yaidaliz Rosado DS | 5-8 | Jr.



Milana Moisio 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.



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