AVCA ALL-AMERICANS

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2023	Merritt Beason	First Team	2004	Melissa Elmer	First Team
	Lexi Rodriguez	First Team		Sarah Pavan	First Team
	Bergen Reilly	Second Team	0000	Jennifer Saleaumua	Second Team
	Harper Murray	Third Team	2003	Melissa Elmer	Second Team
2022	Lexi Rodriguez	Second Team	2002	Greichaly Cepero	First Team
2021	Lexi Rodriguez	First Team		Amber Holmquist	First Team
	Kayla Caffey	Second Team		Laura Pilakowski	Second Team
	Madi Kubik	Third Team	2001	Amber Holmquist	First Team
2020	Lauren Stivrins	First Team		Nancy Metcalf (Meendering)	First Team
	Nicklin Hames	Second Team		Greichaly Cepero	Second Team
	Lexi Sun	Third Team		Jenny Kropp	Second Team
2019	Lauren Stivrins	Second Team	2000	Greichaly Cepero	First Team
	Lexi Sun	Third Team		Laura Pilakowski	First Team
2018	Mikaela Foecke	First Team		Amber Holmquist	Second Team
	Lauren Stivrins	First Team	1999	Nancy Metcalf (Meendering)	First Team
	Kenzie Maloney	Third Team	1998	Fiona Nepo	First Team
2017	Kelly Hunter	First Team		Nancy Metcalf (Meendering)	First Team
	Annika Albrecht	Second Team		Megan Korver	Second Team
	Mikaela Foecke	Second Team	1997	Lisa Reitsma	Second Team
2016	Kadie Rolfzen	First Team		Fiona Nepo	Second Team
	Justine Wong-Orantes	First Team	1996	Lisa Reitsma	First Team
	Kelly Hunter	Second Team		Fiona Nepo	First Team
	Amber Rolfzen	Third Team	1995	Allison Weston	First Team
2015	Kadie Rolfzen	First Team		Christy Johnson	First Team
	Amber Rolfzen	Second Team		Lisa Reitsma	First Team
	Justine Wong-Orantes	Third Team	1994	Allison Weston	First Team
2014	Kadie Rolfzen	Third Team		Christy Johnson	First Team
2013	Kelsey Robinson	First Team		Kelly Aspegren	Second Team
	Kadie Rolfzen	Third Team	1993	Allison Weston	First Team
2012	Lauren Cook	First Team	1992	Stephanie Thater	First Team
	Gina Mancuso	Second Team	1991	Stephanie Thater	First Team
	Hannah Werth	Second Team		Janet Kruse	Second Team
2011	Gina Mancuso	First Team		Cris Hall	Second Team
2010	Brooke Delano	First Team	1990	Janet Kruse	First Team
	Lindsey Licht	Second Team		Val Novak	First Team
	Hannah Werth	Second Team		Stephanie Thater	Second Team
2009	Brooke Delano	Second Team	1989	Val Novak	First Team
	Sydney Anderson	Third Team		Janet Kruse	First Team
2008	Jordan Larson	First Team		Virginia Stahr	Second Team
	Sydney Anderson	Second Team	1988	Virginia Stahr	First Team
	Tara Mueller	Second Team		Lori Endicott	First Team
2007	Sarah Pavan	First Team	1987	Lori Endicott	Second Team
	Rachel Holloway	Second Team	1986	Karen Dahlgren	First Team
	Christina Houghtelling	Second Team		Tisha Delaney	Second Team
	Tracy Stalls	Second Team		Enid Schonewise	Second Team
	Jordan Larson	Third Team	1985	Annie Adamczak	First Team
2006	Jordan Larson	First Team		Karen Dahlgren	Second Team
	Sarah Pavan	First Team	1984	Cathy Noth	Second Team
	Tracy Stalls	Second Team	1983	Cathy Noth	First Team
	Rachel Holloway	Third Team		,	
2005	Melissa Elmer	First Team			
	Christina Houghtelling	First Team			

AVCA ALL-AMERICA ATHLETES

1.	Nebraska	53
2.	Stanford	43
3.	Penn State	40
4.	Texas	39
5.	USC	33
	Florida	33
7.	UCLA	32
3.	Hawaii	31
9.	Wisconsin	29
10.	Washington	27

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1.	Nebraska	103
2.	Stanford	102
3.	Penn State	83
4.	Texas	72
5.	Hawaii	60
5.	USC	58
7.	Florida	52
3.	Washington	51
9.	UCLA	50
10.	Wisconsin	47

AVCA FIRST-TEAM ALL-AMERICANS

1.	Stanford	6
2.	Nebraska	5
3.	Penn State	4
4.	Texas	4
5.	Hawaii	3.
6.	UCLA	2
	USC	2
8.	Pacific	2
9.	Long Beach State	1
	Florida	1
	Washington	1

AVCA ALL-AMERICA FACTS

Sarah Pavan

Jennifer Saleaumua

- Nebraska has had 53 athletes earn a total of 103 AVCA All-America certificates (NCAA play only). Both numbers lead the nation.
- Sarah Pavan is one of only seven players in NCAA history to earn at least four first-team All-America selections, joining the Stanford trio of Bev Oden, Logan Tom and Kerri Walsh, Minnesota's Stephanie Samedy, Penn State's Megan Hodge and Wisconsin's Dana Rettke.
- Pavan and Kadie Rolfzen are the only two Huskers who have been named an AVCA All-American four times in a career.
- Pavan, Allison Weston and Nancy Metcalf (Meendering) are the only Nebraska players to earn three or more first-team All-America honors.
- Nineteen of the Huskers' 51 first-team All-America honors were claimed by Nebraska natives.

First Team

Third Team

• The Huskers placed a school-record five players on the AVCA All-America teams in 2007 and placed four players on the AVCA All-America teams in 2001, 2005, 2006, 2016 and 2023.



MERRITT BEASON (2023)

Opposite Hitter, Gardendale, Ala.

Merritt Beason earned AVCA All-America First Team honors in 2023 and was selected as the AVCA North Region Player of the Year, becoming the second Husker (Kelly Hunter) to earn that distinction. Beason was named to the AVCA All-Region Team and All-Big Ten First Team in her first year at Nebraska. She averaged 3.76 kills per set on .282 hitting with 2.05 digs per

set. Beason was named Big Ten Player of the Week four times and was the AVCA National Player of the Week on Oct. 23. She was tabbed most valuable player of the NCAA Lincoln Regional after 19 kills, 11 digs and eight blocks in a regional final win over Arkansas.



HARPER MURRAY (2023)

Outside Hitter, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Harper Murray was an AVCA All-America Third Team selection and the Big Ten Freshman of the Year in 2023. She earned AVCA North Region Freshman of the Year, as well as All-Big Ten First Team, Big Ten All-Freshman Team and AVCA All-Region accolades. Murray finished second on the team with 3.23 kills per set and had a .237 hitting percentage to go with 2.07 digs per set

and a team-high 36 service aces. She ended the season with the highest kills per set average by a Husker freshman since Kadie Rolfzen (3.46) in 2013. Murray was named Big Ten Freshman of the Week three times.



BERGEN REILLY (2023)

Setter, Sioux Falls, S.D.

Bergen Reilly was named a second-team AVCA All-American, AVCA All-Region, Big Ten Setter of the Year, All-Big Ten First Team and Big Ten All-Freshman Team in 2023. Reilly became the first freshman to win Big Ten Setter of the Year since the award originated in 2012. She led all Big Ten setters with 10.51 assists per set, and set the Huskers to a .273 hitting

percentage on the season, which ranked second in the Big Ten and in the top 25 nationally. Reilly earned four Big Ten Setter of the Week honors and two Big Ten Freshman of the Week accolades.



LEXI RODRIGUEZ (2021, 2022, 2023)

Libero, Sterling, Ill.

Lexi Rodriguez was the AVCA National Freshman of the Year, Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year and a first-team AVCA All-American in her first season as Nebraska's libero in 2021. Rodriguez averaged 4.33 digs and 1.10 assists per set with 16 aces in her freshman campaign. Rodriguez finished the season with 524 digs, which ranked fifth in school history and was a

Nebraska freshman record. The AVCA North Region Freshman of the Year, Rodriguez became Nebraska's second freshman to be named AVCA National Freshman of the Year (Sarah Pavan, 2004). Rodriguez followed up in her sophomore campaign with second-team AVCA All-America accolades. Rodriguez averaged 4.26 digs per set and led the Huskers to a nation-leading opponent hitting percentage of .128. The Sterling, Ill., native was a unanimous selection to the All-Big Ten Team. In 2023, Rodriguez returned to the AVCA All-America First Team, becoming the 14th Husker in school history to earn at least three All-America honors at Nebraska. She was named Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year for the second time and was chosen to the All-Big Ten First Team for the third straight season. Rodriguez led the Huskers to a nation-leading opponent hitting percentage for the second year in a row with 3.60 digs per set.



KAYLA CAFFEY (2021)

Middle Blocker, Chicago, III.

Kayla Caffey was selected to the AVCA All-America Second Team in 2021, the first All-America honor of her career. Caffey averaged 2.41 kills and 1.11 blocks per set while hitting a team-best .363 for the season as the Huskers reached the NCAA Championship match against Wisconsin, where she blasted a career-high 15 kills. Caffey ranked fourth in the Big Ten in hitting percentage

in conference play (.376) and was the Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week one time and earned Nebraska's Big Ten Sportsmanship Award.



MADI KUBIK (2021)

Outside Hitter, West Des Moines, Iowa

Madi Kubik earned AVCA All-America Third Team accolades in a breakout junior season in 2021. Kubik was a first-team AVCA All-Region and All-Big Ten selection after leading the Huskers to the NCAA Final with 3.49 kills per set and 2.11 digs per set. Kubik ranked third in the Big Ten in kills per set during conference play (4.11) and led all players in the NCAA Tournament

with 77 postseason kills. In the NCAA title match against Wisconsin, Kubik tied her season high with 19 kills to go with 14 digs en route to earning NCAA Championship All-Tournament Team honors. Kubik was a two-time Big Ten Player of the Week and was also selected to the NCAA Austin Regional All-Tournament Team after averaging 3.71 kills and 1.71 digs per set in wins over Illinois and Texas. She ended her career in 2022 with 1,264 career kills, ranking 13th all-time at NU.



NICKLIN HAMES (2020)

Setter, Maryville, Tenn.

Nicklin Hames was named to the AVCA All-America Second Team, the All-Big Ten First Team and the AVCA All-North Region Team during her 2020 junior season at Nebraska. Hames led the Huskers with 10.91 assists per set. The Tennessee native added 192 digs and 23 blocks during the season. She helped the Huskers to the NCAA regional final after 31 assists and three

blocks in a regional semifinal win over No. 11 Baylor. Hames received AVCA All-America honorable mention in 2018, 2019 and 2021, and she was a two-time All-Big Ten First Team selection and 2021 All-Big Ten Second Team honoree. Hames finished her career in 2022 with a school-record 5,086 career assists, and her 1,587 career digs ranked third all-time at NU.



LEXI SUN (2019, 2020) *Outside Hitter, Encinitas, Calif.*

Lexi Sun was named to the AVCA All-America Third Team, the All-Big Ten First Team and the AVCA All-North Team in both 2019 and 2020. She led the Huskers with 3.64 kills per set and added 2.20 digs per set in 2020. She helped NU to the regional final after 12 kills and five aces in the regional semifinal against No. 11 Baylor. Sun was also named to the AVCA All-America

Third Team, the All-Big Ten First Team and the AVCA All-North Region Team during her 2019 junior season at Nebraska. Sun led the Huskers with 3.57 kills per set on a .270 hitting percentage and added 2.45 digs per set with 25 service aces and 74 blocks. The Encinitas, Calif., native was selected to the Madison Regional All-Tournament Team after 14 kills on .619 hitting in the regional semifinal win over No. 18 Hawaii, and 11 kills and 11 digs against No. 5 Wisconsin, her 10th double-double of the season. Sun had 1,150 career kills at Nebraska, ranking 20th all-time.



LAUREN STIVRINS (2018, 2019, 2020)

Middle Blocker, Scottsdale, Ariz.

Lauren Stivrins earned her third career AVCA All-America award and second first-team honor in 2020. Stivrins was named to the ACVA All-America First Team, All-Big Ten First-Team and AVCA All-North Team for her performance during the 2020 season. Stivrins led the team in blocks per set averaging 1.03 and helped Nebraska to an NCAA regional final by posting a .468 attack

percentage that ranked third nationally and was the second-best single-season mark in school history. Stivrins was also a first-team AVCA All-American as a sophomore in 2018 after leading the Huskers to an NCAA runner-up finish with 2.36 kills and 1.17 blocks per set. She was named to the NCAA Championship All-Tournament Team and was an All-Big Ten selection. Stivrins became the third Husker in school history to post a perfect 1.000 hitting percentage in a match while recording at least 10 kills. In the NCAA Championship against Stanford, Stivrins had 19 kills on .615 hitting. Stivrins was named a second-team All-American as a junior in 2019 averaging 2.55 kills and 1.07 blocks per set with a .374 hitting percentage. Stivrins finished her career with a .378 attack percentage, a school record in the rally-scoring era.



KENZIE MALONEY (2018)

Libero, Louisville, Ky.

Kenzie Maloney was an AVCA third-team All-American and an All-Big Ten libero in 2018, leading Nebraska to the NCAA Championship match. Maloney averaged 4.03 digs per set and is No. 6 on NU's all-time digs chart with 1,406. Maloney and teammate Mikaela Foecke became the first Huskers to appear in four straight NCAA Final Fours and had a 21-2 career record

in NCAA Tournament matches, the most NCAA Tournament wins by a Husker in school history.



MIKAELA FOECKE (2017, 2018)

Outside Hitter, West Point, Iowa

Mikaela Foecke finished her decorated career in 2018 with AVCA first-team All-America honors after leading the Huskers with 3.86 kills and 2.65 digs per set, along with a team-high 46 service aces. She was a unanimous All-Big Ten selection for the second straight season and ranks No. 3 on NU's career kills chart with 1,684. Foecke totaled 135 service aces in her career, the seventh-

most in Nebraska history and the fourth-highest total in the rally-scoring era. She finished her Husker career with a 21-2 record in NCAATournament matches, the most NCAATournament wins by a Husker in school history. Foecke earned second-team AVCA All-America honors as a junior in 2017 after winning her second-career NCAA Championship Most Outstanding Player award as Nebraska won the national title for the second time in her career. Foecke led the Huskers with 3.53 kills per set on .290 hitting with 2.36 digs per set in her first season as a six-rotation player. Foecke became just the fourth player in NCAA history to twice be named the NCAA Championship Most Outstanding Player and the first to earn the honor in non-consecutive years. She was also a two-time AAU Sullivan Award finalist and won the NCAA Senior CLASS Award in 2018.



ANNIKA ALBRECHT (2017)

Outside Hitter, North Aurora, Ill.

Annika Albrecht was named a second-team AVCA All-American and an All-Big Ten selection in 2017 after a career season. As a senior co-captain in her first year as a full-time six-rotation player, Albrecht averaged 3.02 kills per set and 2.74 digs per set while serving 34 aces. She finished her career at No. 6 on Nebraska's all-time career aces chart with 139. Albrecht became

the third Husker in the John Cook era (2000-present) to play in every set (489) of her four-year Husker career - joining Sarah Pavan and Dani Busboom. Albrecht led the Huskers in the NCAA Semifinals against Penn State with 13 kills and 13 digs for her ninth double-double of the season.



KELLY HUNTER (2016, 2017)

Setter, Papillion, Neb.

Kelly Hunter, a three-year team captain and the most accomplished setter in Husker history, was named a first-team AVCA All-American and the Big Ten Setter of the Year in 2017, and she was an All-Big Ten selection for the second time in her career after leading the Huskers to a Big Ten and NCAA Championship. Hunter received numerous honors from volleyball

publications, including National Player of the Year and All-America first-team honors from PrepVolleyball.com and VolleyMob.com. She was named co-Most Outstanding Player of the NCAA Championship with teammate Mikaela Foecke, and she finished her career with a 16-1 record in the NCAA Tournament as Nebraska's starting setter, posting the most wins and highest postseason winning percentage by a starting setter in Husker history. Hunter was a second-team AVCA All-American in 2016 after leading the Huskers to a Big Ten title and the NCAA Semifinals, and she set the Huskers to the 2015 national title as well. Hunter ended her career with 4,125 assists, the third-most in Husker history, and she totaled 699 career postseason assists, the second-most by a Husker. Off the court, Hunter was an Academic All-District first-team honoree, and she was a semifinalist for the Senior CLASS Award.



AMBER ROLFZEN (2015, 2016)

Middle Blocker, Papillion, Neb.

Amber Rolfzen was a second-team AVCA All-American in 2015 and earned third-team AVCA All-America honors in 2016. Rolfzen averaged 1.94 kills per set and a team-best 1.38 blocks per set as a senior. In her junior season, Rolfzen led the Big Ten and was fourth nationally in blocks with 1.58 per set, the best block average by a Husker since Melissa Elmer's school-record 2.17

in 2005. Rolfzen was an NCAA Championship All-Tournament Team pick, as well as a five-time Big Ten Defensive Player-of-the-Week honoree and a two-time All-Big Ten selection. Her 551 career total blocks put her eighth on NU's all-time chart.



JUSTINE WONG-ORANTES (2015, 2016)

Libero, Cypress, Calif.

Justine Wong-Orantes was named a first-team AVCA All-American and All-Big Ten selection at libero in 2016, as well as Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year for the second straight season. Wong-Orantes led the Huskers with 4.23 digs per set and finished her career as Nebraska's all-time career digs leader with 1,890. She also set a Nebraska single-match school record with

35 digs in a win over Minnesota on Oct. 23. Wong-Orantes earned third-team honors as a junior in 2015 after recording 555 digs on the season, the third-most by a Husker in school history. She reached 1,000 career digs in 75 matches, faster than any Husker in history, and was an NCAA Championship All-Tournament Team selection in 2015. Wong-Orantes earned a spot on the U.S. national team for the 2020 Olympics in Tokyo.



KADIE ROLFZEN (2013, 2014, 2015, 2016)

Outside Hitter, Papillion, Neb.

Kadie Rolfzen repeated as a first-team AVCA All-American in 2016, becoming the second player in NU history (Sarah Pavan) to earn four career AVCA All-America honors. Rolfzen was also an All-Big Ten selection for the fourth straight season, becoming the third Husker in program history to capture four first-team all-conference honors (Sarah Pavan, Greichaly Cepero).

Rolfzen was a standout on and off the court, becoming Nebraska's first Academic All-America selection since 2012 with a first-team selection as a senior. She was also an NCAA Senior CLASS Award first-team honoree. Rolfzen led the Huskers with 3.16 kills per set and added 2.58 digs per set while hitting a career-high .295 in 2016. She ended her career with 1,564 career kills and 1,255 career digs - both top-10 marks in school history. As a junior, Rolfzen led the Huskers to the national title with 3.30 kills per set to earn first-team All-America honors for the first time in her career. Rolfzen was a third-team All-American as a freshman in 2013 and again in 2014.



KELSEY ROBINSON (2013)

Outside Hitter, Bartlett, III.

Kelsey Robinson produced one of the most impressive senior seasons as a Husker, earning first-team AVCA All-America honors. She was also named the Big Ten Player of the Year and earned unanimous All-Big Ten honors. Robinson was one of four nominees for the Honda Sports Award for Volleyball and a semifinalist for the AAU Sullivan Award. She totaled 530 kills on the season

and averaged 4.45 kills per set, hitting at a clip of .318 for the year and also tallying 396 digs. She led the Big Ten in kills (4.69) and points (5.41) per set during the conference season. Robinson also ended the season ranked ninth in hitting percentage, second in kills and fifth in aces in the Big Ten. She posted 19 double-doubles on the year and was named the Big Ten Player of the Week four times in 2013. Robinson earned spots on the U.S. national team for the 2016 Olympics in Brazil and the 2020 Olympics in Tokyo, winning a Bronze Medal in 2016.



LAUREN COOK (2012)

Setter, Lincoln, Neb.

Lauren Cook was one of the nation's elite setters in her senior season, ranking among the top players in the country with 11.15 assists per set (1,372 total). She helped the Huskers finish second in the Big Ten in total assists (1,617) and hitting percentage (.292). She added another 28 service aces and 338 digs in the 2012 campaign and totaled 50 or more assists six

times as a senior, including a season-high 56 against UCLA on Aug. 25. Cook recorded a team-best 17 double-doubles (assists-digs) on the year and helped Nebraska hit .300 or better in 18 out of 33 matches in 2012. She also won AVCA National Freshman-of-the-Year honors at UCLA in 2009.



GINA MANCUSO (2011, 2012)

Outside Hitter, Omaha, Neb.

Gina Mancuso was named a first-team AVCA All-American in 2011. Also selected as a unanimous first-team All-Big Ten pick, she led the Huskers with 407 kills for an average of 3.60 kills per set. Mancuso added 2.66 digs per set. Her efficiency kept her ranked in the top 10 in the conference for total kills during the entire season. She notched at least 10 kills in 25 regular-

season matches during 2011 and posted a career-high 24 kills against Colorado State. She was a second-team AVCA All-America selection, Nebraska volleyball's first Senior CLASS Award winner and a first-team Academic All-American in 2012, as she led the Huskers in kills per set, kills and totaled 11 double-doubles on the year.



HANNAH WERTH (2010, 2012)

Outside Hitter, Springfield, III.

Hannah Werth was named a second-team AVCA All-American in 2012 and 2010 after earning honorable-mention accolades as a freshman in 2009. She added an honorable-mention award in 2011. Also selected as the 2010 Big 12 Defensive Player of the Year, Werth ranked second for the 2010 Huskers in both kills (2.80) and digs (3.09) per set, while she was third in solo blocks

with 11. The Springfield, Ill., native led the Huskers with 10 double-doubles in 2010, including a 16-kill, 16-dig performance against Washington in the NCAA Tournament to notch the 21st double-double of her career. She earned second-team honors in 2012 after recording 360 total kills as a senior and an average of 3.05 kills per set and a team-high 390 digs. She tallied 14 double-doubles on the year. Werth finished her career with 1,286 kills and 1,367 digs, joining three other Huskers as the only players to record 1,000 career digs and kills (Kadie Rolfzen, Jordan Larson, Jennifer Saleaumua).



LINDSEY LICHT (2010)

Opposite Hitter, Aurora, Colo.

Lindsey Licht was a go-to player at right side for the Huskers in 2010, as she led the team with 2.81 kills per set while hitting a career-best .295. A first-team All-Big 12 pick, she led the Huskers in kills 10 times and tied for the team lead on three other occasions. The Aurora, Colo., native topped her single-match best in kills with 18 against Florida and tied her career best in blocks twice

with eight apiece against both Oklahoma and Texas A&M. Licht and teammate Hannah Werth continued the success of Husker attackers in the Big 12 era in 2010. During Nebraska's 15 seasons in the conference, the Huskers' right side and outside hitters earned 22 All-America certificates.



BROOKE DELANO (2009, 2010)

Middle Blocker, Bellevue, Neb.

After earning her first AVCA All-America honor in 2009, Brooke Delano was a first-team selection in 2010. Delano led the 2010 squad in hitting percentage (.406) and blocks per set (1.42), ranking her in the top 10 nationally in both categories. A unanimous All-Big 12 pick, Delano set single-match career bests in nearly every category in 2010, including kills

(15), hitting percentage (.875), assists (3), aces (3), block assists (9) and total blocks (10). Her .875 hitting performance (14-0-16) on the road against Missouri ranks as the fifth-best performance all-time at Nebraska, as it bettered her .833 night against the Tigers in 2009.



SYDNEY ANDERSON (2008, 2009)

Setter, Salt Lake City, Utah

Sydney Anderson was the eighth Husker setter to be a multi-time All-American, earning second-team honors in 2008 and third-team accolades in 2009. She led Nebraska to a 26-7 record and a berth in the regional finals in 2009, while averaging 11.53 assists, 0.77 kills and 2.45 digs per set. She ranked 13th nationally in assists while running an offense that ranked in the

top 10 nationally in both kills and assists per game. She owned a team-high 14 double-doubles and helped the Huskers hit .300 or better in 13 matches. She collected her first All-America award in 2008, as she averaged 11.60 assists, 2.05 digs, 0.82 kills and 0.29 service aces per set to lead Nebraska into the NCAA Semifinals. She was eighth nationally in assists and totaled eight double-doubles. The 2008 Big 12 Newcomer of the Year, Anderson also was a first-team All-Big 12 performer and a five-time Big 12 Rookie of the Week as a sophomore.



TARA MUELLER (2008)

Outside Hitter, Scottsdale, Ariz.

One of three AVCA All-Americans in 2008, Tara Mueller earned second-team honors in helping the Huskers to a 31-3 record and a berth in the 2008 NCAA Semifinals. She was the Most Outstanding Player of the Seattle Regional, totaling a career-high 24 kills and 16 digs in the regional final against Washington. A first-team All-Big 12 performer, Mueller averaged 3.51

kills and 2.37 digs per set, ranking among conference leaders in both categories.



JORDAN LARSON (2006, 2007, 2008)

Outside Hitter, Hooper, Neb.

Jordan Larson was one of the nation's top outside hitters, earning All-America honors in three consecutive years (2006-08). She is one of only four Huskers to record more than 1,000 kills and digs in a career and finished her career with 1,600 kills, 1,410 digs and a school-record 186 service aces. She captured Big 12 Player and Defensive Player of the Year in 2008, averaging

3.92 kills and 3.19 digs per set to help NU to an NCAA semifinal appearance. She collected third-team All-America honors in 2007, averaging 3.45 kills, 3.18 digs and a Big 12-best 0.51 service aces per set. As a sophomore, she averaged 4.13 kills and 3.50 digs per set and was the only Big 12 player to rank in the league's top 10 in both kills and digs. She joined the U.S. National Team on a full-time basis in January of 2009 and competed in the 2012 London Olympics, 2016 Rio Olympics and won a gold medal with the 2020 U.S. Olympic team in Tokyo.



SARAH PAVAN (2004, 2005, 2006, 2007)

Opposite Hitter, Kitchener, Ontario

One of only six players in NCAA history to be named a four-time AVCA first-team All-American, Sarah Pavan was one of the most dominant players in Big 12 history. She finished her career holding school records for career kills (2,008) and kills per game (4.56) and was a two-time Big 12 Female Athlete of the Year after leading NU to four straight Big 12 titles and the

2006 NCAA title. An NCAA Top Eight Award winner, Pavan was a two-time Academic All-American of the Year for all sports. She averaged 4.83 kills, 1.90 digs and 0.49 service aces per game in 2007, earning Big 12 Player-of-the-Year honors for the third straight season. In 2006, she won the Honda-Broderick Cup as the nation's premier female college athlete and was named AVCA Player of the Year after averaging a school-record 5.10 kills per game in helping Nebraska to its third NCAA title. In 2004, she was named AVCA National Freshman of the Year after setting Husker freshman marks for kills (481) and kills per game (4.54). She played professionally overseas and rejoined the Canadian National Team in 2010. Pavan earned a spot on the Canadian beach volleyball team in the Olympics in Brazil in 2016 and in Tokyo in 2020.



RACHEL HOLLOWAY (2006, 2007)

Setter, Franklin, Tenn.

Rachel Holloway was a two-time AVCA All-American who helped NU to a 63-3 record as a starter. She finished her career with 2,861 assists, while her 13.50 assists per set marked the highest total in school history. She earned second-team AVCA All-America honors in 2007 by averaging 13.58 assists per set and helping NU rank third in team hitting percentage (.327).

In 2006, she was a third-team AVCA All-American, becoming only the second freshman setter to guide a team to a national title. Holloway guided an offense that led the nation in assists (16.20) and kills (17.40) per set and ranked second in hitting percentage (.295).



TRACY STALLS (2006, 2007)

Middle Blocker, Denver, Colo.

Tracy Stalls was one of the nation's top middle blockers, earning second-team AVCA All-America honors in 2006 and 2007. As a senior, Stalls averaged 2.83 kills and ranked third nationally with a .473 hitting percentage, shattering school and Big 12 hitting percentage marks. In 2006, she averaged 2.67 kills per game while leading the Big 12 with a .400 hitting percentage

in helping the Huskers to a national title. A four-year starter and two-time All-Big 12 performer, Stalls finished her career at No. 4 in total blocks with 578.



CHRISTINA HOUGHTELLING (2005, 2007)

Outside Hitter, Cambridge, Neb.

A two-time All-American, Christina Houghtelling was one of the nation's most versatile performers. She earned second-team All-America accolades in 2007, averaging 3.02 kills and 3.95 digs to earn Big 12 Defensive Player-of-the-Year honors after missing all of 2006 with shoulder surgery. In 2005, Houghtelling was named the AVCA National Player of the Year, leading the

Huskers to an NCAA runner-up finish. She averaged 3.69 kills, 2.49 digs and 1.03 blocks per game. Houghtelling was at her best against the Huskers' toughest opponents, earning MVP honors at the AVCA/NACWAA Showcase and at the NCAA Omaha Regional. She also earned All-Big 12 honors for the first time in 2005.



JENNIFER SALEAUMUA (2004, 2005)

Outside Hitter, National City, Calif.

One of the nation's best all-around performers during her Husker career, Jennifer Saleaumua earned second-team All-America honors in 2004 and third-team accolades in 2005. A two-time Big 12 Defensive Player of the Year, Saleaumua finished her career as one of only four Huskers to total more than 1,000 kills and 1,000 digs. She ranks No. 4 on NU's all-time digs list

with 1,568 and ranks 16th with 1,247 career kills. She totaled 40 career double-doubles while helping the Huskers rank among the nation's leaders in defense in each of her last two seasons. Saleaumua earned All-Big 12 accolades all four seasons as a Husker, including first-team honors in 2002, 2003 and 2004.



MELISSA ELMER (2003, 2004, 2005)

Middle Blocker, Fort Wayne, Ind.

One of the nation's most feared blockers during her collegiate career, Melissa Elmer was a three-time AVCA All-American. Elmer led the nation in blocking in each of her final two seasons (2004-05), averaging a school-record 2.17 blocks per game as a senior. She had 10 or more blocks in 10 matches, including a Big 12-record 16 blocks against Kansas, while also averaging 2.68

kills per game. A three-time All-Big 12 performer, she finished her career as the Big 12's all-time leader with a Nebraska-record 767 blocks and was one of only three Big 12 players at the time to total 1,000 kills and 700 blocks. In 2004, she led the nation with 1.89 blocks per game, totaling 200 total blocks en route to first-team All-America honors.



GREICHALY CEPERO (2000, 2001, 2002)

Setter, Dorado, Puerto Rico

Greichaly Cepero virtually redefined the setter position with her all-around skills and blocking ability during her highly decorated career at Nebraska. A first-team AVCA All-American in 2000 and 2002 and a second-team pick in 2001, Cepero was just the second setter in school history to become a three-time AVCA All-American. She also earned Big 12 Player-of-the-Year

honors in 2000 and shared the award with teammates Amber Holmquist and Laura Pilakowski in 2002. An Academic All-American, Cepero was also the 2000 Honda Award winner for volleyball. The best blocking setter in NU history, Cepero ended her senior season with 507 career blocks, including 84 solo blocks. Cepero ranks fourth in NU history in career assists (3,987), and in her three seasons as the starting setter, NU never hit less than .304 and ranked among the top 10 nationally in that category each of her three seasons.



AMBER HOLMQUIST (2000, 2001, 2002)

Middle Blocker, Houston, Texas

Amber Holmquist will be remembered as one of the best middle blockers in school history. A first-team AVCA All-American in 2001 and 2002 and a second-team pick in 2000, Holmquist owned or shared 17 school records and eight Big 12 Conference records. Holmquist concluded her career ranked second on the Nebraska all-time charts with a .396 hitting percentage and

21st on the all-time kills chart with 1,122. As a sophomore in 2000, Holmquist shattered three Nebraska single-season blocking records, setting new marks with 199 block assists, 220 total blocks and 1.98 blocks per game. A 2002 second-team Academic All-American, Holmquist also finished her career with Big 12 records for single-season hitting percentage, total blocks and blocks per game, as well as single-match records for block assists and total blocks. Holmquist finished her career as the first player in school history to lead NU in hitting percentage and blocks per game in four consecutive seasons.



LAURA PILAKOWSKI (2000, 2002)

Outside Hitter, Columbus, Neb.

Laura Pilakowski earned first-team AVCA All-America honors in her first season as a starter in 2000, and second-team honors in her final season with NU in 2002. Pilakowski ranks 18th all-time with 1,183 career kills, and she posted a .318 career hitting percentage, the best mark in school history at the time of her graduation by an outside hitter. The Huskers' go-to offensive

player during the 2000 national title run, Pilakowski led NU with 4.30 kills per game and a .336 hitting percentage in 2000. She was the third three-time Academic All-American volleyball player in school history.



JENNY KROPP (2001) *Middle Blocker, Grand Island, Neb.*

Jenny Kropp was an AVCA Second-Team All-American after dominating opponents at the net in 2001 with 1.73 blocks per game and 180 total blocks. Offensively, Kropp hit .371 with 2.45 kills per game as a senior. She finished her career with 816 kills and a .331 career hitting percentage. Kropp still ranks ninth all-time in total blocks (544).



NANCY METCALF (MEENDERING) (1998, 1999, 2001)
Opposite Hitter, Hull, Iowa

Nancy Metcalf (Meendering) will be remembered as one of the best players in Nebraska volleyball history. Metcalf was just the second three-time first-team AVCA All-American at Nebraska and played for the United States in the 2004 Olympics. She was also honored as an NCAATop Eight Award winner, a two-time Big 12 Player of the Year, a three-time Academic All-American, the

2001 Academic All-American of the Year, a two-time NCAA regional MVP and a three-time first-team All-Big 12 honoree. Metcalf finished her career with 1,603 kills and 412 blocks. Metcalf was the only Husker to record six 30-kill matches in a career, and owned or shared 13 school records, including kills in a single match with 39 against Kansas State in 1999.



MEGAN KORVER (1998) Middle Blocker, Panama, Neb.

Megan Korver, a native of Panama, Neb., emerged as one of the dominant middle blockers in the country during her senior season to earn second-team AVCAAII-America honors. Korver led the nation in hitting percentage through the first half of the season and finished with an impressive .358 mark. She set a school record and became just the 11th player in NCAA history to hit

1.000 in a match by recording 10 kills on 10 swings against lowa State.



FIONA NEPO (1996, 1997, 1998)

Setter, Honolulu, Hawaii

Fiona Nepo had one of the most decorated careers of any player in Nebraska volleyball history. The 1998 Big 12 Player of the Year, Nepo ranks second in school history in career assists with 4,824, and she owns the NU single-season assist record, which she set in 1996 with 1,653. Nepo earned three All-America certificates in her career, including first-team honors her

sophomore and senior seasons. With Nepo in the starting lineup, Nebraska compiled an 88-13 overall record, including a 54-6 Big 12 mark, won two Big 12 championships and made two NCAA semifinal appearances. The three-time team captain was also a tremendous jump server, notching 94 service aces during her career.



LISA REITSMA (1995, 1996, 1997)

Opposite Hitter, Sanborn, Iowa

Lisa Reitsma earned first-team All-America honors as a sophomore and junior and a second-team award as a senior. Reitsma was a three-time first-team all-conference selection, including the 1996 Big 12 Player of the Year. She burst on the scene as a sophomore and was a key ingredient as the Huskers won their first national title. Reitsma left her mark on the Husker record books, as

she ranks in the top 10 in kills (4th, 1,633) and attacks (6th, 3,766). She had more than 25 kills in a match nine times, the second-most by any Husker in school history.



CHRISTY JOHNSON (1994, 1995)

Setter, Omaha, Neb.

Christy Johnson guided the Huskers to their first national championship in 1995 and earned first-team All-America honors her junior and senior seasons. She holds the second-best winning percentage of any starting setter in school history, leading Nebraska to a near-perfect 63-2 record, including 24-0 in Big Eight play, over her final two seasons. She holds the top two season marks

for assists per set in school history (14.17 in 1994 and 13.90 in 1995). Johnson ranks ninth in career assists with 3,183, and she was also a 1995 Academic All-American.



ALLISON WESTON (1993, 1994, 1995)

Middle Blocker, Papillion, Neb.

Allison Weston is arguably one of the best collegiate players in NCAA history. Nebraska's first three-time, first-team AVCA All-American, Weston capped an impressive career by winning the 1995 national title and sharing AVCA Player-of-the-Year honors with Cary Wendell of Stanford. The former captain of the U.S. National Team, Weston still holds the school record for

kills in a four-game match (37). She ranks second all-time at Nebraska with 1,778 kills and is eighth in career attacks (3,659). Weston holds three of the top-10 single-match kill performances. A two-time Academic All-American, Weston was also a two-time Big Eight Player of the Year during her playing career.



KELLY ASPEGREN (1994)

Outside Hitter, Callaway, Neb.

Kelly Aspegren, a two-year starter for the Huskers, had 332 kills as a senior and hit .344 to lead Nebraska, including .410 in Big Eight play. Aspegren was a first-team All-Big Eight selection as a senior and was tabbed honorable mention as a junior. She was also a two-time academic All-Big Eight selection. During her two years as a starter, Nebraska compiled a 56-7 overall mark and

a 22-2 Big Eight ledger. She finished her career with 557 kills on 1,329 attacks for a .280 career hitting percentage and an average of 2.29 kills per game. She also recorded 657 digs and 156 blocks for career averages of 2.70 and 0.64 per game.



STEPHANIE THATER (1990, 1991, 1992)

Middle Blocker, Union, Mo.

Stephanie Thater was the second three-time All-American in Husker volleyball history and is still regarded as one of the best middle blockers to come through the NU program. She led her team to the NCAA Semifinals as a sophomore and compiled an 81-14 record in her three years as a starter. Her teams went 48-0 in regular-season conference play, winning four Big

Eight titles and three conference tournament championships. Thater was a two-time Big Eight Player of the Year and a three-time all-conference selection. She holds the school record for block assists in a five-game match with 14. Her season records for block assists (165), total blocks (197) and blocks per game (1.92) stood for seven years before Amber Holmquist topped them in 2000, and her career records for block assists (502) and total blocks (592) stood until 2002.



CRIS HALL (1991)Outside Hitter, Chanute, Kan.

Cris Hall is one of only five athletes and the only female in Nebraska history to earn All-America honors in two different sports. Hall was a second-team All-American as an outside hitter in 1991, and earned four All-America track certificates from 1991 to 1993 (three high jump, one heptathlon). Hall ranks second in school history in the track and field heptathlon (5,936 points). Her

1,251 career kills rank 15th in school history.



JANET KRUSE (1989, 1990, 1991)Outside Hitter, Fort Calhoun, Neb.

Janet Kruse is one of the finest student-athletes to ever play for the Huskers. A native of Fort Calhoun, Neb., Kruse was Nebraska's first three-time All-American, earning first-team honors in 1989 and 1990 and second-team honors in 1991. She was also named the NCAA Woman of the Year for Nebraska and garnered an NCAA Today Top Eight award in 1992, after twice

earning Academic All-American-of-the-Year honors in 1990 and 1991. She also earned third-team academic All-America honors in 1989. During her career, the Huskers made two NCAA semifinal appearances, including a title appearance in 1989. Kruse ranks 12th on Nebraska's career kills chart with 1,269.



VAL NOVAK (1989, 1990)

Setter, Oak Lawn, III.

A native of Oak Lawn, III., Val Novak earned first-team All-America certificates after leading the Huskers to NCAA semifinal appearances in 1989 and 1990, including a runner-up finish in 1989. Novak, who converted to setter after playing outside hitter her first two seasons, ended her career by earning the Big Eight Player-of-the-Year award in 1990. She finished with 778

career kills and ranks second in career service aces (161) and seventh in assists (3,303). She led the nation in assists per set and guided Nebraska to the nation's top hitting percentage in 1989. NU never finished lower than fifth in the national rankings during her career.



VIRGINIA STAHR (1988, 1989)

Middle Blocker, Waco, Neb.

Virginia Stahr set the standard for excellence in the Nebraska volleyball program as a standout athlete and student. Stahr was tabbed a two-time All-American and capped her career by leading the Huskers to a national runner-up finish in 1989. She earned the NCAA Today Top Eight award after earning Academic All-American-of-the-Year honors in 1988 and 1989. Her

teams won four Big Eight regular-season titles and three conference tournament titles, and she was named the 1989 Big Eight Player of the Year. She still shares the school record for service aces in a five-game match (7). She also ranks third in school history in career service aces (159) and seventh in total blocks (555).



LORI ENDICOTT (1987, 1988)

Setter, Springfield, Mo.

Lori Endicott is one of the most decorated setters in Nebraska's long line of All-America setters. Endicott earned first-team honors as a senior and was a second-team selection as a junior after playing right side her first two seasons. Endicott continued her playing career as a member of the U.S. National Team from 1988 to 1996. She was America's starting setter at the

1992 and 1996 Olympic Games and was named the best setter at the Barcelona Games after leading the United States to a bronze medal. A two-time Big Eight Player of the Year, Endicott led Nebraska to four Big Eight regular-season titles during her career. She was also named a 1988 Academic All-American. Several of Endicott's marks may stand untouched for years, including her school-record 109 assists vs. Texas.



KAREN DAHLGREN (1985, 1986)

Middle Blocker, Bertrand, Neb.

Karen Dahlgren played a key role in Nebraska's 1986 national runner-up finish. A two-time All-American, Dahlgren was honored as a Honda-Sport Award winner in volleyball after being named to the Academic All-America team three straight years. Dahlgren holds school records for solo blocks in a match (6), season (46) and career (132). She ranks sixth on the all-time

total blocks chart with 558. The Bertrand native is also third in school history with a career hitting percentage of .386. Dahlgren was also NU's first volleyball Academic All-American, earning honors in 1984, 1985 and 1986.



TISHA DELANEY (1986)

Setter, Festus, Mo.

Tisha Delaney is responsible for leading Nebraska to its first NCAA semifinal appearance in 1986, where the Huskers defeated Stanford before losing to Pacific in the title match. An AVCA second-team All-American as a senior, Delaney set school records as a senior for assists in four-game (63) and five-game matches (88), both of which Lori Endicott surpassed in 1988.



ENID SCHONEWISE (1986)

Outside Hitter, Beatrice, Neb.

Enid Schonewise earned second-team All-America honors and first-team All-Big Eight honors in 1986. Schonewise held the school record for kills in a match (38 vs. Arizona State, 1986) for nearly 14 seasons. Her seven service aces against Kansas State in 1986 are still tied for the most in a match in school history.



ANNIE ADAMCZAK (1985)

Middle Blocker, Moose Lake, Minn.

Annie Adamczak was a three-year starter in the Nebraska volleyball program and capped her career by earning first-team All-America honors as a senior after leading the Huskers with 354 digs. She is one of four Nebraska volleyball players to be named the conference Female Athlete of the Year, joining Virginia Stahr in 1989, Greichaly Cepero in 2001 and Sarah Pavan in

2006 and 2007. A two-time All-Big Eight selection, Adamczak held the three-game school record for digs with 28 until 2009, when Kayla Banwarth recorded 32 against Baylor. During Adamczak's career, Nebraska won all four regular-season and tournament conference titles and twice advanced to the NCAA Mideast Regional Championship.



CATHY NOTH (1983, 1984)

Setter, Bettendorf, Iowa

Cathy Noth moved from outside hitter to setter her junior season and earned AVCA All-America honors in 1983 and 1984. Noth guided NU to its first NCAA Tournament appearance in 1982 and helped Nebraska compile a four-year-record of 112-24, winning four Big Eight regular-season titles and four Big Eight Tournament crowns. She set a then-Big Eight and school

record with a .398 hitting percentage in 1984. Noth's career hitting percentage of .366 still ranks seventh in school history. Noth was also Nebraska's first three-time All-Big Eight selection and the only volleyball player in the history of the conference to earn three Big Eight Tournament MVP awards. Noth served as an assistant coach under Terry Pettit from 1988 to 1998.



TERRI KANOUSE (1980 AIAW)

Middle Blocker, St. Paul, Ind.

Terri Kanouse helped put Nebraska on the volleyball map by earning AIAW All-America honors in 1980, the program's first national honor. A two-time first-team all-district selection, Kanouse was also named first-team All-Big Eight her final three seasons. Kanouse was also a two-year team captain for the Huskers.

