



Assistant Coach

Valerie Vladea

First Season

Marquette University head women's tennis coach Jody Bronson has named Valerie Vladea as an assistant coach. Vladea replaces Raj Gill who accepted the position of assistant coach for the Golden Eagles' men's tennis team.

"We are excited to have someone on our staff who has experienced the highest level of collegiate tennis," said Bronson. "She will bring a wealth of experience in both her competitiveness and her ability to mentor our stu-

dent-athletes. She will enhance our program tremendously."

Vladea, a three-time All-Big Ten selection, played three years at Minnesota and one year at Northwestern to finish her collegiate eligibility.

While at Minnesota, she earned three consecutive All-Big Ten honors while playing at no. 1 singles and doubles all three years. The three all-conference selections made her the

third athlete in school history to accomplish that feat. In 2002, she was named the team's most valuable player and led the Golden Gophers to a final ranking of 29th in the nation.

In her only season at Northwestern, Vladea tallied an overall record of 34-9, including a perfect 12-0 mark in the Big Ten at no. 4 singles winning the conference title at that spot. She also helped the Wildcats finish the season as the fifth-ranked team in the nation and win its seventh-straight Big Ten Tournament Championship.

A native of Ontario, Canada, Vladea graduated from Minnesota with a degree in Sports Management and is currently finishing her master's degree in humanities from Northwestern.

2005-06 Roster



2005-06 Marquette Women's Tennis Team — Back Row (L to R): Robin Metzler, Maria Calbeto, Lisa Nguyen, Erin Watkins. Front Row: Jody Bronson (head coach), Andrea Bukacek, Francina Bonnelly, Dominika Dabrowski, Lauren Little, Katie Donovan, Valerie Vladea (assistant coach).

Name	Class	Hometown	High School/College
Francina Bonnelly	Jr.	Humacao, P.R.	Colegio San Antenio Adad
Andrea Bukacek	Jr.	Racine, Wis.	Prairie
Maria Calbeto	So.	Guaynabo, P.R.	Colegio Marista
Dominika Dabrowski	Jr.	Elk Grove Village, ILL.	James B. Conant
Kathleen Donovan	Jr.	Hawthorn Woods, ILL.	Carmel
Lauren Little	Fr.	Clarkston, Mich.	Clarkston
Robin Metzler	Fr.	Shawnee Mission, Kan.	Notre Dame de Sion
Erin Watkins	So.	Middletown, Ohio	Bishop Fenwick

Head coach: Jody Bronson
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2005-06 Schedule

SEPTEMBER

- 16-18 at Bronco Invitational
- 23-25 Milwaukee Tennis Classic

OCTOBER

- S30-2 at Wolverine Invitational
- 20-23 at ITA Regional Tournament

JANUARY

- 20 at Illinois 6 p.m.
- 27 at Iowa 6 p.m.

FEBRUARY

- 1 UIC 4 p.m.
- 4 Northern Illinois 9 a.m.
- 4 Wis.-Milwaukee 4 p.m.
- 10 vs Indiana State (Bloomington, Ind.) 4 p.m. EST
- 11 at Indiana 10 a.m. EST
- 17 Wisconsin 3:30 p.m.
- 19 Rutgers * 10 a.m.
- 25 vs Cincinnati * (Kalamazoo, Mich.) 1 p.m. EST
- 26 at Western Michigan 10 a.m. EST

MARCH

- 3 Ohio State 3 p.m.
- 5 New Mexico 10 a.m.
- 11 Michigan 10 a.m.
- 12 Wis.-Green Bay 2 p.m.
- 25 Chicago State 9 a.m.
- 25 South Dakota State 3 p.m.
- 28 Illinois State 4 p.m.

APRIL

- 1 Seton Hall * 9 a.m.
- 2 Syracuse * 10 a.m.
- 8 vs DePaul * (Notre Dame, Ind.) 9 a.m. EDT
- 9 at Notre Dame * noon EDT
- 15 at Louisville * noon EDT
- 20-23 BIG EAST Championships
Tampa, Fla.

