



2011 PENN STATE WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

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30 NCAA Tournament Appearances • 14 Big Ten Titles

2011 Outlook

- Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 10/6
- Starters Returning/Lost: 5/4
- Newcomers: (5) Dominique Gonzalez, Aiyana Whitney, Nia Grant, Lacey Fuller, Micha Hancock

Starters Returning

No.	Pos.	Player	Yr.	MP-MS	S	KPS	Pct.	APS	SAPS	DPS	BPS
1	OH	Ariel Scott	So.	20-2	63	2.27	.208	0.00	0.00	0.44	0.68
2	OH	Katie Kabbes	Sr.	22-12	58	1.71	.135	0.05	0.00	0.43	0.93
5	S	Kristin Carpenter	Jr.	37-36	119	0.57	.308	11.52	0.12	2.29	0.45
16	MH	Katie Slay	So.	23-11	52	1.04	.404	0.13	0.00	0.10	1.60
18	OH	Deja McClendon	So.	37-37	122	3.43	.331	0.12	0.16	1.89	0.69

Other Letterwinners Returning

No.	Pos.	Player	Yr.	MP-MS	S	KPS	Pct.	APS	SAPS	DPS	BPS
6	OH	Maddie Martin	So.	20-1	29	0.76	.194	0.03	0.10	0.52	0.21
10	S	Marika Racibarskas Jr.		15-0	18	0.06	.333	0.56	0.00	0.44	0.11
13	S/DS	Megan Shifflett	Sr.	30-0	58	0.00	-1.00	0.05	0.05	0.26	0.00
23	DS	Ali Longo	So.	29-0	64	0.00	-3.33	0.03	0.31	0.67	0.00

Returning Redshirts

No.	Pos.	Player	Yr.
8	MH	Erica Denney	RS-Fr.
11	OH	Darcy Dorton	RS-So.
15	DS	Maggie Harding	RS-Fr.

Newcomers

Player	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Hometown/High School
Lacey Fuller	DS	Fr.	5-6	San Diego, Calif./Torrey Pines
Dominique Gonzalez	DS	Fr.	5-6	San Antonio, Texas/ Sandra Day O'Connor
Nia Grant	OH	Fr.	6-2	Warren, Ohio/Howland
Micha Hancock	S/OH	Fr.	5-11	Edmond, Okla./Edmond Memorial
Aiyana Abukusumo-Whitney	OH	Fr.	6-5	Norwood, N.J./N. Valley Regional

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Quick Facts

The University

Location: University Park, Pa. 16802
Founded: 1855
Enrollment: 44,112
Colors: Blue & White
Nickname: Nittany Lions
Conference: Big Ten
President: Dr. Graham Spanier
Director of Athletics: Tim Curley
Assoc. A.D./SWA: TBA
Facility (capacity): Rec Hall (5,812)

Volleyball Staff

Head Coach: Russ Rose (33rd season)
Alma Mater: George Williams, 1975
Overall Record (Yrs/Pct): 1,033-164 (32/.863)
School Record: same
Asst. Coaches: Dennis Hohenshelt (6th season)
..... Kaleena Davidson (3rd season)
Dir. of VB Operations: Adam Hughes (2nd season)
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Season in Review

2010 Record: 32-5
Home: 20-0 Away: 8-5
Neutral: 4-1
Big Ten record (finish): 16-4 (1st)
Home: 10-0 Away: 6-4
Final AVCA Ranking: No. 1
Postseason Play: NCAA National Champions
First Round: def. Niagara, 3-0
Second Round: def. Virginia Tech, 3-0
Regional Semifinal: def. Oklahoma, 3-0
Regional Final: def. Duke, 3-1
National Semifinal: def. Texas, 3-0
National Final: def. California, 3-0

The History

First Year of Volleyball: 1976
All-Time Record (Years): 1,084-207-4 (35)
All-Time Big Ten Record: 353-47
Years/Win Pct.: 20/.883
Big Ten Titles: (14) '92, '93, '96, '97, '98, '99, '03,
..... '04, '05, '06, '07, '08, '09, '10
NCAA Tournament Appearances: 30
NCAA Tournament Record: 73-25
NCAA National Championships: 1999, 2007
..... 2008, 2009, 2010



2011 Penn State Women's Volleyball Schedule

August

26-27 - AVCA Showcase

Fri.	26	Minnesota vs. USC	University Park, Pa. (Rec Hall)	4:30 p.m.
		Penn State vs. Oregon	University Park, Pa. (Rec Hall)	7 p.m.
Sat.	27	Minnesota vs. Oregon	University Park, Pa. (Rec Hall)	4:30 p.m.
		Penn State vs. USC	University Park, Pa. (Rec Hall)	7 p.m.

September

2-3 - University of Pittsburgh Tournament - Pittsburgh, Pa.

Fri.	2	Penn State vs. Miami (Ohio)	Pittsburgh, Pa.	11 a.m.
		Penn State at Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh, Pa.	7 p.m.
Sat.	3	Penn State vs. New Hampshire	Pittsburgh, Pa.	10 a.m.

9-10 - Nike Big Four Volleyball Classic - Palo Alto, Calif.

Fri.	9	Penn State vs. Stanford	Palo Alto, Calif.	8:30 p.m.
Sat.	10	Penn State vs. Texas/Florida	Palo Alto, Calif.	7:30 p.m.

16-17 - Penn State Classic

Fri.	16	Rutgers vs. Florida Gulf Coast	University Park, Pa. (Rec Hall)	4:30 p.m.
		Penn State vs. Long Island	University Park, Pa. (Rec Hall)	7 p.m.
Sat.	17	Penn State vs. Rutgers	University Park, Pa. (Rec Hall)	10 a.m.
		Long Island vs. Florida Gulf Coast	University Park, Pa. (Rec Hall)	1 p.m.
		Rutgers vs. Long Island	University Park, Pa. (Rec Hall)	4 p.m.
		Penn State vs. Florida Gulf Coast	University Park, Pa. (Rec Hall)	7 p.m.
Wed.	21	at Nebraska*	Lincoln, Neb. (NU Coliseum)	TBA
Sat.	24	at Iowa*	Iowa City, Iowa (Carver-Hawkeye Arena)	TBA
Fri.	30	vs. Wisconsin*	University Park, Pa. (Rec Hall)	7 p.m.

October

Sat.	1	vs. Minnesota*	University Park, Pa. (Rec Hall)	7 p.m.
Wed.	5	vs. Northwestern*	University Park, Pa. (Rec Hall)	7 p.m.
Sat.	8	vs. Illinois*	University Park, Pa. (Rec Hall)	7 p.m.
			<i>(Penn State Football at Home vs. Iowa, Time TBA)</i>	
Fri.	14	at Purdue*	West Lafayette, Ind. (IAF)	TBA
Sat.	15	at Indiana*	Bloomington, Ind. (University Gym)	TBA
Wed.	19	vs. Ohio State*	University Park, Pa. (Rec Hall)	7 p.m.
Sat.	22	vs. Michigan*	University Park, Pa. (Rec Hall)	7 p.m.
Fri.	28	vs. Iowa*	University Park, Pa. (Rec Hall)	7 p.m.
Sat.	29	vs. Nebraska*	University Park, Pa. (Rec Hall)	7 p.m.

(Penn State Football at Home vs. Illinois, Time TBA)

November

Fri.	4	at Minnesota*	Minneapolis, Minn. (Sports Pavilion)	TBA
Sun.	6	at Wisconsin*	Madison, Wis. (UW Field House)	TBA
Fri.	11	at Illinois*	Champaign, Ill. (Huff Hall)	TBA
Sat.	12	at Northwestern*	Evanston, Ill. (Welsh-Ryan Arena)	TBA
Fri.	18	vs. Indiana*	University Park, Pa. (Rec Hall)	7 p.m.
Sat.	19	vs. Purdue*	University Park, Pa. (Rec Hall)	7 p.m.
Wed.	23	at Ohio State*	Columbus, Ohio (St. John Arena)	TBA
Sat.	26	at Michigan State*	East Lansing, Mich. (Jenison Field House)	TBA

December

Fri.	2	NCAA First Round	Campus Sites	TBA
Sat.	3	NCAA Second Round	Campus Sites	TBA
Fri.	9	NCAA Regional Semifinals	TBA	TBA
Sat.	10	NCAA Regional Championship	TBA	TBA
Thurs.	15	NCAA National Semifinals	San Antonio, Texas (Alamo Dome)	TBA
Sat.	17	NCAA National Championship	San Antonio, Texas (Alamo Dome)	TBA

Home matches played at Rec Hall in bold • All times EST • * Indicates Big Ten Match • Times are subject to change

2011 Penn State Women's Volleyball Roster



Numerical

No.	Name	Yr.	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown/High School
1	Ariel Scott	So.	OH	6-4	Ridgewood, N.J./Immaculate Heart Academy
2	Katie Kabbes	Sr.	OH	6-4	Raleigh, N.C./Cardinal Gibbons
4	Dominique Gonzalez	Fr.	DS	5-6	San Antonio, Texas/Sandra Day O'Connor
5	Kristin Carpenter	Jr.	S	5-7	Mechanicsville, Va./Hanover
6	Maddie Martin	So.	OH	6-1	Tampa, Fla./H.B. Plant
7	Nia Grant	Fr.	OH	6-2	Warren, Ohio/Howland
8	Erica Denney	RS-Fr.	MH	6-5	Aurora, Colo./Grandview
10	Marika Racibarskas	Jr.	S	6-0	Chatham, N.J./Chatham
11	Darcy Dorton	RS-So.	OH	6-2	Muncie, Ind./Delta
12	Micha Hancock	Fr.	S/OH	5-11	Edmond, Okla./Edmond Memorial
13	Megan Shifflett	Sr.	DS	5-6	Falls Church, Va./Langley
14	Aiyana Abukusumo-Whitney	Fr.	OH	6-5	Norwood, N.J./Northern Valley Regional
15	Maggie Harding	RS-Fr.	DS	5-6	State College, Pa./State College Area
16	Katie Slay	Fr.	MH	6-6	Raleigh, N.C./Wakefield
18	Deja McClendon	So.	OH	6-1	Louisville, Ky./DuPont Manuel Magnet
23	Ali Longo	So.	DS	5-6	Littleton, Colo./Chatfield
33	Lacey Fuller	Fr.	DS	5-6	San Diego, Calif./Torrey Pines

Head Coach: Russ Rose (George Williams, 1975), 33rd year
Assistant Coaches: Dennis Hohenshelt (Juniata, 1993), 6th year
 Kaleena Davidson (Penn State, 2006), 3rd year
Dir. of VB Operations: Adam Hughes (Penn State, 2006), 2nd year
Trainer: Kelly Saxton (East Carolina, 2006), 3rd year

Alphabetical Roster

5	Kristin Carpenter
8	Erica Denney
11	Darcy Dorton
33	Lacey Fuller
4	Dominique Gonzalez
7	Nia Grant
12	Micha Hancock
15	Maggie Harding
2	Katie Kabbes
23	Ali Longo
6	Maddie Martin
18	Deja McClendon
10	Marika Racibarskas
1	Ariel Scott
13	Megan Shifflett
16	Katie Slay
14	Aiyana Whitney

By Class

Seniors: Kabbes, Shifflett

Juniors: Carpenter, Racibarskas

Redshirt Sophomore: Dorton

Sophomores: Longo, Martin, McClendon, Scott, Slay

Redshirt Freshmen: Denney, Harding

Freshmen: Fuller, Gonzalez, Grant, Hancock, Whitney

By Position

Setters (3): Carpenter, Hancock, Racibarskas

Libero/DS (5): Fuller, Gonzalez, Harding, Longo, Shifflett

Middle Hitters (2): Denney, Slay

Outside Hitters (7): Dorton, Grant, Kabbes, Martin, McClendon, Scott, Whitney

By State

California (1): Fuller

Colorado (2): Denney, Longo

Florida (1): Martin

Indiana (1): Dorton

Kentucky (1): McClendon

New Jersey (3): Racibarskas, Scott, Whitney

North Carolina (2): Kabbes, Slay

Ohio (1): Grant

Oklahoma (1): Hancock

Pennsylvania (1): Harding

Texas (1): Gonzalez

Virginia (2): Carpenter, Shifflett

Pronunciations

Aiyana	.....	Ai-yahn-uh
Ariel	.....	Air-ee-el
Hohenshelt	.....	HO-en-shelt
Kabbes	.....	CAB-es
Kaleena	.....	KA-lee-na
Lacey	.....	Lace-ee
Marika	.....	Ma-REE-ka
Megan	.....	Mee-gan
Micha	.....	Mike-uh
Nia	.....	Knee-uh
Racibarskas	.....	Rass-i-bars-kus
Shifflett	.....	Shif-let