

2020 MISSISSIPPI STATE VOLLEYBALL

MATCH NOTES | ARKANSAS

OCTOBER 17-18, 2020



FALL SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Oct. 17 (Sat.)	ARKANSAS*	SECN+	11 a.m.
Oct. 18 (Sun.)	ARKANSAS*	ESPNU	NOON
Oct. 21 (Wed.)	at LSU*	ESPNU	6 p.m.
Oct. 22 (Thurs.)	at LSU*	SECN+	TBA
Nov. 4 (Wed.)	at No. 8 Texas A&M*	SEC Network	7 p.m.
Nov. 5 (Thurs.)	at No. 8 Texas A&M*	SECN+	TBA
Nov. 12 (Thurs.)	No. 3 KENTUCKY*	SEC NETWORK	NOON
Nov. 13 (Fri.)	No. 3 KENTUCKY*	SEC NETWORK	NOON

Home matches in bold

All times central and subject to change

* - Southeastern Conference match

MATCHDAY INFORMATION | Match 1

Opponent.....	Arkansas
Date/Time.....	Saturday, Oct. 17 11 a.m.
Arena.....	Newell-Grissom Building
City.....	Starkville, Miss.
Live Stream.....	SEC Network+
Broadcast Team.....	Bart Gregory, Summer Seage

MATCHDAY INFORMATION | Match 2

Opponent.....	Arkansas
Date/Time.....	Sunday, Oct. 18 Noon
Arena.....	Newell-Grissom Building
City.....	Starkville, Miss.
Live Stream.....	ESPNU
Broadcast Team.....	Courtney Lyle, Jenny Hazelwood

AVCA TOP 15 - Week 3 (Oct. 14)

1. Texas (6-0) [49]	9. Georgia Tech (3-1)
2. Baylor (5-1)	10. Pittsburgh (2-2)
3. KENTUCKY* (0-0)	11. Miami [Fla.] (4-1)
4. Florida* (0-0)	12. Duke (4-1)
5. Notre Dame (3-0)	13. Kansas State (3-1)
6. Louisville (4-1)	14. Syracuse (2-4)
7. Missouri (0-0)	15. Louisiana (11-0)
8. TEXAS A&M* (0-0)	

2020 FALL OPPONENTS IN ALL CAPS

* - Southeastern Conference Team

[##] - Number of first place votes

THE MATCHUP



Mississippi State Bulldogs

Record	0-0
H/A/N	0-0/0-0/0-0
SEC	0-0
2019	13-17
'19 SEC	2-16
Ranking (AVCA)	NR
Head Coach	Julie Darty Dennis
Record at Mississippi State	18-43
Seasons at Mississippi State	Third
Career Record	76-103
Seasons as a Head Coach	Seventh

FIRST SERVE

2019 SEASON RECAP

Mississippi State began the second season of the **Julie Darty Dennis** era with an 11-1 record in non-conference play. A challenging SEC campaign was highlighted by a series sweep of Auburn and several close five-set battles. The Bulldogs finished 13-17, a huge step up from their 5-26 finish a year before. Seniors **Alleah Stamatis** and **Amarrah Cooks**, who both transferred to State when coach Darty Dennis made the move from Jacksonville, each left their mark on the program. Stamatis finished as the seventh Bulldog to reach 1,000 assists in a season (1,017), and Cooks captured the top spot on the MSU career hitting percentage list (.303 between 2018-19).

KEY STORYLINE: Mississippi State volleyball is set to open its 46th season and the third season of the **Julie Darty Dennis** era. State will look for revenge against the Razorbacks, who narrowly edged the Bulldogs in a five-set thriller in Fayetteville last November. Down 2-0, MSU battled back to a 2-2 tie to force a decisive fifth set. Then, down 14-10 in the final frame, the Bulldogs rallied with four-straight points before the Razorbacks clinched the victory.



Arkansas Razorbacks

Record	0-0
H/A/N	0-0/0-0/0-0
SEC	0-0
2019	11-19
'19 SEC	5-13
Ranking (AVCA)	NR
Head Coach	Jason Watson
Record at Arkansas	61-87
Seasons at Arkansas	Fifth
Career Record	261-235
Seasons as a Head Coach	16th

A WIN (ON SATURDAY) WOULD...

Mark MSU's 31st season-opening win.
Become State's 35th win in a home opener.
Snap a 15-match skid against Arkansas.

TWO WINS WOULD...

Match State's SEC win total in 2019.

NEW HEIGHTS: With the addition of nine newcomers, MSU added a considerable amount of height to its 2020 roster, giving depth and more attacking and blocking options on its front row.

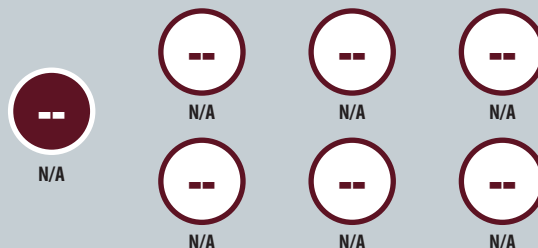
RETURN OF MURR: Senior defensive specialist **Kendall Murr** is back for her senior season after missing 2019 due to injury.

NINE NEWCOMERS: The Newell-Grissom Building will be full of new faces this season as five freshmen and four transfer student-athletes join the fray for the 2020 season.

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PREVIOUS MATCH STARTERS

- N/A
- N/A
- N/A
- N/A
- N/A
- N/A
- N/A



MATCH COVERAGE

LIVE STATS: Live stats are available on NCAA.com. Navigate to the women's volleyball page, click scores and select the appropriate game or follow the URL: <http://hailst.at/2ADmqPs>

STREAMING: All Mississippi State volleyball matches will be streamed online via SECNetwork+. Visit espn.com/watch and search "Mississippi State volleyball."

2020 NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Cl.	Hometown/High School (Previous School)
2	Lilly Gunter	DS	5-8	Fr.	Oviedo, Fla./Oviedo
4	Shania Cromartie	OH	5-9	Fr.	Tallahassee, Fla./Leon
5	Jessica Kemp	MB/RS	6-3	Gr.	Fort Mill, S.C./Nation Ford (NC State)
6	Kendall Murr	DS	5-8	Sr.	Yorktown, Ind./Yorktown (Jacksonville)
8	Gabby Waden	MB/RS	5-10	Jr.	Columbia, S.C./Blythewood
9	Callie Minshew	OH	5-11	So.	Brandon, Miss./Brandon
10	Francesca McBride	OPP	6-3	Fr.	Detroit, Mich./Troy
11	Margaret Dean	S	5-8	Gr.	Bedford, Texas/Trinity (SFA)
13	Deja Robinson	MB	6-1	Jr.	Canton, Ga./Sequoyah
14	Burgundy Walters	MB	6-0	So.	Sanford, Fla./Seminole
16	Logan Brown	OH	6-0	RJr.	Dallas, Texas/Rowlett (Arkansas)
17	Alden Willis	DS	5-4	Jr.	Raleigh, N.C./Broughton (ECU)
18	Lauren Myrick	OH/RS	6-0	So.	Louisville, Ky./Assumption (Lipscomb)
21	Katie Culumovic	S/DS	5-5	So.	Simpsonville, S.C./St. Joseph's Catholic School
22	Skylar Buckley	S	5-9	Fr.	Raleigh, N.C./North Raleigh Christian Academy
27	Akacia Brown	OH	6-2	Fr.	Waterloo, Iowa/Cedar Falls

2020 ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Cl.	Hometown (Previous School)
27	Akacia Brown	OH	6-2	Fr.	Waterloo, Iowa/Cedar Falls
16	Logan Brown	OH	6-0	RJr.	Dallas, Texas/Rowlett (Arkansas)
22	Skylar Buckley	S	5-9	Fr.	Raleigh, N.C./North Raleigh Christian Academy
4	Shania Cromartie	OH	5-9	Fr.	Tallahassee, Fla./Leon
21	Katie Culumovic	S/DS	5-5	So.	Simpsonville, S.C./St. Joseph's Catholic School
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17	Alden Willis	DS	5-4	Jr.	Raleigh, N.C./Broughton (ECU)

Head Coach: Julie Darty Dennis (Mercer, 2008) - Third year at MSU; Seventh as a head coach

Associate Head Coach: Travers Green (Florida State, 2008) - Third year at MSU

Assistant Coach: Taylor McColskey (Palm Beach State, 2013) - Second year at MSU

Director of Operations: Cody Drattlo (Indiana, 2018) - Third year at MSU

Volunteer Assistant Coach: Phil Evans (Mississippi State, 2020) - First year on MSU staff

Technical Coordinator: Alleah Stamatis (Mississippi State, 2020) - First year on MSU staff

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

4	Shania Cromartie	Shuh-KNEE-Uh
8	Gabby Waden	WAY-Den
10	Francesca McBride	Fran-CHESS-Kuh
21	Katie Culumovic	Kuh-Lum-UH-Vick
27	Akacia Brown	Uh-KAY-Shuh
	Travers Green	Trah-VERS
	Alleah Stamatis	UH-LEE-Uh Stuh-MAH-Tis

QUICK FACTS

GENERAL INFORMATION

Name	Mississippi State University
Location	Starkville, Miss.
Founded	Feb. 28, 1878
Enrollment	22,226
Nickname	Bulldogs
Colors	Maroon and White
Conference	Southeastern
President	Dr. Mark E. Keenum
Athletics Director	John Cohen
Sr. Associate AD/SWA	Ann Carr
Facility	Newell-Grisson Building
Capacity	2,000

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PROGRAM HISTORY

First Year of Volleyball	1975 (46th Season)
Overall Record	557-876 (.389)
SEC Record	102-443 (.187)
Highest SEC Finish	T-5th (1984)
SEC Tournament Appearances*	19 (1979-87, 90-98, 2005)
SEC Tournament Record*	5-22 (.185)
*SEC Tournament was held from 1979-2005	

2019 SEASON RECAP

Overall Record	13-17
Home	7-8
Away	3-8
Neutral	3-1
SEC Record	2-16/12th
Home	1-8
Away	1-8

ROSTER BY STATE

Florida	3
<i>Shania Cromartie, Lilly Gunter, Burgundy Walters</i>	
Georgia	1
<i>Deja Robinson</i>	
Indiana	1
<i>Kendall Murr</i>	
Iowa	1
<i>Akacia Brown</i>	
Kentucky	1
<i>Lauren Myrick</i>	
Michigan	1
<i>Francesca McBride</i>	
Mississippi	1
<i>Callie Minshew</i>	
North Carolina	2
<i>Skylar Buckley, Alden Willis</i>	
South Carolina	3
<i>Katie Culumovic, Jessica Kemp, Gabby Waden</i>	
Texas	2
<i>Logan Brown, Margaret Dean</i>	

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MSU RECORD (2019)

Category	W-L
Overall.....	13-17
Home	7-8
Away	3-8
Neutral.....	3-1
SEC.....	2-16
Non-Conference	11-1
vs. Top 5	0-0
vs. Top 10	0-0
vs. Top 25	0-3
vs. Unranked	13-14
On Television	1-3

Day

Monday.....	0-0
Tuesday.....	0-0
Wednesday.....	0-1
Thursday.....	2-0
Friday.....	7-6
Saturday.....	4-0
Sunday.....	0-10

Month

August.....	3-0
September.....	8-3
October.....	1-7
November.....	1-7

Number of Sets

Three Sets.....	5-9
Four Sets.....	4-4
Five Sets.....	4-4

Set Score

Up 1-0.....	9-1
Up 2-0.....	5-0
Up 2-1.....	6-1
Tied 1-1.....	8-3
Tied 2-2.....	4-4
Down 1-0.....	5-15
Down 2-0.....	1-12
Down 2-1.....	2-8

Statistical Battle

More kills.....	4-1
Fewer kills.....	9-16
Tied kills.....	0-0
More blocks.....	12-7
Fewer blocks.....	1-9
Tied blocks.....	0-1
More digs.....	8-4
Fewer digs.....	3-13
Tied digs.....	2-0

Hitting Percentage

Leading.....	9-0
Trailing.....	4-17
Tied.....	0-0
.400+.....	0-0
.300-.399.....	3-0
.200-.299.....	4-1
.100-.199.....	5-14
.000-.099.....	1-2
Negative.....	0-0

Opponent Hitting Percentage

.400+.....	0-2
.300-.399.....	0-3
.200-.299.....	3-12
.100-.199.....	8-0
.000-.099.....	2-0
Negative.....	0-0

TEAM STAT BREAKDOWN (2019)

Stat	Mississippi State	Arkansas
k/s.....	11.6.....	12.2
a/s.....	10.8.....	11.4
sa/s.....	1.1.....	1.3
digs/s.....	14.7.....	12.7
blks/s.....	2.2.....	1.9
Hitting Percentage.....	.180.....	.189
Opponent Hitting Percentage.....	.214.....	.234

SERIES HISTORY

Arkansas (5-44)

H: 4-20 | A: 1-23 | N: 0-1

Oct. 2, 1994	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	1-3	Sept. 29, 2006	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	0-3
Oct. 28, 1994	Starkville, Miss.	L	2-3	Nov. 19, 2006	Starkville, Miss.	W	3-0
Oct. 15, 1995	Starkville, Miss.	L	0-3	Sept. 21, 2007	Starkville, Miss.	W	3-0
Nov. 3, 1995	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	0-3	Oct. 28, 2007	Fayetteville, Ark.	W	3-1
Oct. 6, 1996	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	0-3	Oct. 12, 2008	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	0-3
Nov. 15, 1996	Starkville, Miss.	L	0-3	Nov. 14, 2008	Starkville, Miss.	L	2-3
Nov. 22, 1996	Columbia, S.C.	L	0-3	Oct. 11, 2009	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	1-3
Oct. 19, 1997	Starkville, Miss.	L	0-3	Nov. 13, 2009	Starkville, Miss.	W	3-1
Nov. 7, 1997	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	0-3	Sept. 24, 2010	Starkville, Miss.	W	3-2
Oct. 11, 1998	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	0-3	Oct. 31, 2010	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	0-3
Nov. 7, 1998	Starkville, Miss.	L	0-3	Sept. 23, 2011	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	0-3
Oct. 24, 1999	Starkville, Miss.	L	0-3	Oct. 28, 2011	Starkville, Miss.	L	0-3
Nov. 6, 1999	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	1-3	Oct. 21, 2012	Starkville, Miss.	L	0-3
Oct. 15, 2000	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	0-3	Sept. 29, 2013	Starkville, Miss.	L	0-3
Oct. 27, 2000	Starkville, Miss.	L	1-3	Nov. 24, 2013	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	0-3
Oct. 7, 2001	Starkville, Miss.	L	0-3	Sept. 28, 2014	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	0-3
Oct. 19, 2001	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	1-3	Nov. 8, 2015	Starkville, Miss.	L	0-3
Oct. 25, 2002	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	0-3	Oct. 26, 2016	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	1-3
Nov. 10, 2002	Starkville, Miss.	L	0-3	Nov. 20, 2016	Starkville, Miss.	L	2-3
Oct. 10, 2003	Starkville, Miss.	L	1-3	Oct. 22, 2017	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	0-3
Nov. 2, 2003	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	0-3	Oct. 12, 2018	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	1-3
Oct. 3, 2004	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	1-3	Oct. 24, 2018	Starkville, Miss.	L	0-3
Nov. 14, 2004	Starkville, Miss.	L	2-3	Oct. 20, 2019	Starkville, Miss.	L	1-3
Oct. 16, 2005	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	0-3	Nov. 24, 2019	Fayetteville, Ark.	L	2-3
Nov. 4, 2005	Starkville, Miss.	L	2-3				

2019 SEC STANDINGS

Place	Team	Conference	Overall	Home	Road	Neutral
1.	Florida	16-2	27-5	27-2	9-2	1-1
1.	Kentucky	16-2	25-7	12-4	10-1	3-2
3.	Texas A&M	13-5	23-8	14-1	6-7	3-0
3.	Missouri	13-5	22-8	10-3	9-4	3-1
5.	Georgia	12-6	20-10	7-4	9-3	4-3
6.	South Carolina	11-7	20-12	10-3	7-7	3-2
7.	LSU	9-9	15-13	6-5	6-6	3-2
7.	Tennessee	9-9	15-13	8-5	5-7	2-1
9.	Ole Miss	6-12	14-15	3-9	7-6	4-0
10.	Arkansas	5-13	11-19	8-5	1-10	2-4
11.	Alabama	4-14	12-17	3-7	3-10	6-0
12.	Mississippi State	2-16	13-17	7-8	3-8	3-1
13.	Auburn	1-17	7-22	1-11	2-9	4-2

TEAM NOTES

OPEN SEASON: Mississippi State volleyball has won its last three season-opening matches, and four of its last five, with the last opening day loss coming against No. 5 Kansas in 2016.

State is 30-15 (.667) all-time in season-openers, and a win Saturday would bring the Bulldog win streak to four matches, the longest streak since 2004-10, when MSU claimed victory in seven straight opening day contests.

The Bulldogs have found even greater success in home openers, boasting a 34-9 (.791) record in those matches. From 1999-2010, State won 12 consecutive home openers, and MSU currently boasts a three-match win streak.

GRISS GUIDELINES: In compliance with state regulations and in the interest of participant safety during the COVID-19 pandemic, capacity at the Newell-Grissom Building is reduced to 25 percent (497 participants) for the 2020 fall season.

NEW HEIGHTS: As Mississippi State volleyball aims to continue its rise in the SEC in year three of the **Julie Darty Dennis** era, its roster boasts a greater height advantage compared to years past.

In 2019, MSU's tallest student-athlete measured at 6-foot-1. Since the end of last season, MSU has added three student-athletes standing at 6-foot-2 or taller (Kemp, McBride, A. Brown).

Of the student-athletes who saw action in 2019, only four stood 6-feet or taller. MSU's 2020 roster boasts seven such players.

MSU's 2020 attacker group measures nearly an inch taller than a season before.

- 2020 Season Height Average: 72.3 inches
- 2019 Season Height Average: 71.4 inches

Despite having an undersized group at the net, the 2019 Bulldogs still finished in the top half of the SEC in blocks, sharing the No. 7 spot with 2.20 blocks per set.

TRANSFER TAKEOVER: The MSU coaching staff got busy in the transfer portal during the offseason, gaining commitments from four new Bulldogs, including two graduate transfers. All will be immediately eligible to compete for State this fall.

For more information on **Jessica Kemp** (5), **Margaret Dean** (11), **Alden Willis** (17) and **Lauren Myrick** (18), see pages 6-9.

Due to transfer rules, redshirt junior **Logan Brown** missed the 2019 campaign for MSU after transferring from Arkansas. Brown boasts two seasons of SEC experience, and in 2018 Brown recorded 258 kills for the Razorbacks.

RETURN OF MURR: After missing all of 2019 due to injury, senior defensive specialist **Kendall Murr** is back in the mix for the Bulldog defense. As a sophomore in 2018, Murr...

- Started 30 of 31 matches
- Led MSU with 413 digs
- Tied for No. 2 on the team with 15 aces
- Led the team in digs in 21 matches
- Tallied 10+ digs 24 times, 20+ digs three times, and 30+ digs twice

Murr transferred from Jacksonville when head coach **Julie Darty Dennis** made the same move prior to the 2018 season. Murr earned Atlantic Sun All-Freshman honors in 2017 after recording 2019 digs.

DEJA'S BLOCK PARTY: Junior middle blocker **Deja Robinson** provides a strong defensive presence on the net for the Bulldogs.

Robinson led the Bulldogs with 107 blocks and 83 block assists as a sophomore in 2019, and finished No. 2 on the squad with 24 solo blocks. She collected three or more blocks in 18 matches both as a sophomore and as a freshman.

The Canton, Georgia, native pulled off an 11-block performance against North Florida (9/19), which ranks tied for No. 4 on MSU's single-match blocks list.

Robinson was named to the SEC All-Freshman Team in 2018 after leading the team in block assists (70) and ranking No. 2 among her teammates in total blocks (94) and solo blocks (24).

FRESHMAN FIVE: State's 2020 freshman signing class earned a high honorable mention selection from PrepVolleyball.com, one of nine SEC schools to earn that rating or better. The five-player group features All-Americans, state champions and phenom athletic ability.

For more information on **Lilly Gunter** (2), **Shania Cromartie** (4), **Francesca McBride** (10), **Skylar Buckley** (22) and **Akacia Brown** (27), see pages 6-9.

LEADERSHIP COUNCIL: MSU volleyball's student-athletes have a new leadership structure in place in 2020, as the team elected **Margaret Dean**, **Kendall Murr**, and **Gabby Waden** to its leadership council for the season.

STAMATIS STAYS IN STARKVEGAS: Following a strong career in maroon and white, former Bulldog setter **Alleah Stamatis** (2018-19) now serves as the program's technical coordinator.

Stamatis assists MSU volleyball director of operations Cody Drattlo with travel and day-to-day operations, as well as the management of equipment, statistics, scouting materials and video breakdown.

As a senior in 2019, Stamatis became just the seventh Bulldog to collect 1,000 assists in a single season (1,017).

2020 AWARDS

BULLDOG DOUBLE-DOUBLES (0)

TEAM LEADERS (2019)

Kills	k	k/s	pct.	
Gabby Waden	343	3.04	.270	
Amarrah Cooks	232	2.13	.316	
Deja Robinson	225	2.03	.277	
Blocks	bs	ba	tb	b/s
Deja Robinson	24	83	107	0.96
Amarrah Cooks	27	64	91	0.83
Paige Shaw	15	47	62	0.58
Service Aces		sa	sa/s	
Callie Minshew		29	0.25	
Alleah Stamatis		26	0.23	
Makenzie Jordan		17	0.16	
Digs		digs	digs/s	
Kanani Price		424	3.72	
Alleah Stamatis		296	2.67	
Callie Minshew		268	2.35	

THE LAST TIME...

A Mississippi State team...

Hit .300-.399 in a match.....	9/19/19 vs. Jackson State (.375)
Hit .400-.499 in a match.....	8/31/17 vs. Grambling State (.463)
Hit .500-.599 in a match.....	9/16/00 vs. Nicholls State (.511)
Had 70+ kills in a match.....	9/01/18 vs. Davidson (74)
Had 80+ kills in a match.....	8/30/03 vs. Gonzaga (85)
Held opponent at .000-.100 in a match.....	10/25/19 vs. Auburn (.084)
Held opponent to negative hitting pct.....	8/24/18 vs. Mississippi Valley State (-.054)
Had 10+ blocks in a match.....	11/24/19 at Arkansas (14.0)
Had 15+ blocks in a match.....	9/19/19 vs. North Florida (19.0)
Had 10+ service aces in one match.....	9/26/18 vs. Auburn (10)
Had 15+ service aces in one match.....	8/25/07 vs. UALR (16)
Over 1,000 fans at home.....	9/27/17 vs. Ole Miss (1,023)
Over 3,000 fans at home.....	8/26/11 vs. Southern Illinois (3,024)
Defeated a ranked opponent.....	10/14/11 vs. No. 25 Kentucky
Consecutive wins.....	9/13/19-9/20/19 (5)
Consecutive SEC wins.....	9/30-10/2/16 (2, Auburn & Alabama)
5+ consecutive wins.....	9/13/19-9/20/19 (5)
7+ consecutive wins.....	11/17/09-9/4/10 (7)
10+ consecutive wins.....	9/3-19/00 (11)
Consecutive sweeps.....	9/1-7/18 (2)
Consecutive SEC sweeps.....	11/22-25/15 (2, Georgia & LSU)

A Mississippi State player...

Hit .500-.599 in a match*	11/18/18, Amarrah Cooks vs. Texas A&M (.524)
Hit .600-.699 in a match*	10/12/18, Amarrah Cooks at Arkansas (.600)
Hit .700-.800 in a match*	10/13/17, Liv Benner vs. Missouri (.750)
Hit .800+ in a match*	9/8/06, Erin Seago vs. Jackson State (.857)
Had 20+ kills in a match.....	10/4/19, Gabby Waden vs. Ole Miss (20)
Had 25+ kills in a match.....	9/09/17, Jelena Vujcin vs Louisiana (25)
Had 27+ kills in a match.....	9/2/16, Evie Grace Singleton at Little Rock (27)
Had 30+ kills in a match.....	11/24/17, Jelena Vujcin at South Carolina (33)
Had 25.0+ points in a match.....	9/09/17, Jelena Vujcin vs Louisiana (28.0)
Had 30.0+ points in a match.....	11/24/17, Jelena Vujcin at South Carolina (34.0)
Had 50+ attacks in a match.....	11/24/19, Callie Minshew at Arkansas (51)
Had 60+ attacks in a match.....	9/6/19, Callie Minshew vs. New Orleans (60)
Had 65+ attacks in a match.....	9/17/16, Evie Grace Singleton vs. Portland (66)
Had 70+ attacks in a match.....	9/2/05, Orshi Kriegel vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee (73)
Had 80+ attacks in a match.....	11/11/01, Tanika Taylor at Ole Miss (80)
Had 50+ assists in a match.....	10/9/19, Alleah Stamatis at Alabama (51)
Had 60+ assists in a match.....	9/01/18, Morgan Kath vs. Davidson (63)
Had 80+ assists in a match.....	11/11/01, Jennifer Hadden at Ole Miss (80)
Had a double-double.....	11/24/19, Callie Minshew (12 kills & 13 digs) & Alleah Stamatis (49 assists & 10 digs) at Arkansas
Had a triple-double.....	11/18/07, Eva Kriegel at Florida (11 kills, 21 assists, 10 digs)
Had 10+ blocks in a match.....	9/19/19, Deja Robinson vs. North Florida (11)
Had 13+ blocks in a match.....	10/31/03, Jennifer Rousey at LSU (13)
Had 30+ digs in a match.....	9/01/18 Kendall Murr vs. Davidson (34)
Had 40+ digs in a match.....	9/19/14, Payton Harris vs. SIU-Edwardsville (40)
Had 50+ digs in a match.....	9/13/14, Payton Harris vs. Northwestern St. (59)
Had 5 aces in one match.....	10/16/16, Riley Duzenack at Auburn
Had 6 aces in one match.....	9/28/08, Leanna King vs. Auburn
Had 7 aces in one match.....	10/11/15, Alex Warren vs. Georgia
Had 8 aces in one match.....	9/10/04, Andrea Mead vs. Idaho
Had 9 aces in one match.....	9/12/86, Sharyn Smith vs. UAB

Two Mississippi State players...

Had a double-double.....	11/24/19, Callie Minshew (12 kills & 13 digs) & Alleah Stamatis (49 assists & 10 digs) at Arkansas
Had 20+ kills in a match.....	11/26/16, Evie Grace Singleton (21) & Emily Hill (21) vs. Georgia
Had 50+ attacks in a match.....	11/20/16, E.G. Singleton (61) & Emily Hill (56) vs. Arkansas
Had 5+ blocks in a match.....	11/24/19, Amarrah Cooks (6), Gabby Waden (5) & Deja Robinson (5) at Arkansas
Had 5+ aces in one match.....	9/13/14, Payton Harris (5) & Katlyn Mataya (5) vs. Nicholls State

Three Mississippi State players...

Had a double-double.....	9/20/19, Alleah Stamatis (43 a, 14 digs), Paige Shaw (11 k, 13 digs) & Callie Minshew (10 k, 16 digs) vs. UAB
Had double-digit kills.....	11/24/19, Gabby Waden (16), Callie Minshew (12), Deja Robinson (12) at Arkansas
Had 5+ blocks in a match.....	11/24/19, Amarrah Cooks (6), Gabby Waden (5) & Deja Robinson (5) at Arkansas

Four Mississippi State players...

Had double-digit kills.....	11/3/19, Callie Minshew (14), Deja Robinson (14), Amarrah Cooks (10) & Gabby Waden (10) at LSU
Had 5+ blocks in a match.....	9/19/19, Deja Robinson (11), Paige Shaw (7), Gabby Waden (5) & Amarrah Cooks (5) vs. North Florida

* - Minimum of 12 kills

NOTABLE STATS

Double-Doubles	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
Margaret Dean	-	-	-	13*	13
Callie Minshew	-	-	-	6	6
Lauren Myrick	-	-	-	2*	2
Katie Culumovic	-	-	-	1	1

10+ Kills	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
Jessica Kemp	2*	-	-	17*	19
Gabby Waden	-	-	-	18	18
Deja Robinson	-	-	5	8	13
Logan Brown	-	-	11*	-	11
Callie Minshew	-	-	-	10	10
Lauren Myrick	-	-	-	2*	2

20+ Kills	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
Gabby Waden	-	-	-	2	2
Logan Brown	-	-	1*	-	1
Jessica Kemp	-	-	-	1*	1
Deja Robinson	-	-	1	-	1

10+ Digs	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
Kendall Murr	-	9*	24	-	33
Margaret Dean	-	-	-	13*	13
Callie Minshew	-	-	-	13	13
Alden Willis	-	-	5*	2*	7
Lauren Myrick	-	-	-	2*	2
Katie Culumovic	-	-	-	1	1

50+ Assists	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
-	-	-	-	-	-

3+ Aces	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
Margaret Dean	-	-	-	3*	3
Logan Brown	-	-	1*	-	1
Jessica Kemp	-	-	-	1*	1
Callie Minshew	-	-	-	1	1
Kendall Murr	-	-	1	-	1
Alden Willis	-	-	1*	0	1

3+ Total Blocks	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
Deja Robinson	-	-	18	18	36
Jessica Kemp	6*	-	-	19*	25
Gabby Waden	-	-	3	9	12
Logan Brown	-	2*	2*	-	4
Callie Minshew	-	-	-	3	3
Burgundy Walters	-	-	-	2	2
Lauren Myrick	-	-	-	1*	1

* - Done at previous school

2 | LILLY GUNTER

**5-8 | FRESHMAN
DEF. SPECIALIST
OVIEDO, FLA.
OVIEDO HS**

Season Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

Career Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

High School

Won three-straight district championships (2016-18)...Sets school records for digs (1,882) and aces (149)...Three-time all-state selection...AVCA All-Region selection as a senior...Set single-season school marks for digs (594) and aces...Set single-match record for digs (39)...Led Oviedo to 9A State Championship, No. 8 national ranking as a junior.

4 | SHANIA CROMARTIE

**5-9 | FRESHMAN
OUTSIDE HITTER
TALLAHASSEE, FLA.
LEON HS**

Season Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

Career Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

High School

Led Leon HS to 6A state championship after four straight final fours... Career stats: 1,229 kills; 1,038 digs; 141 aces...AVCA All-American as a senior...Led area in kills (394) with .352 hitting pct...Collected 18 kills in state championship...Led Leon to No. 25 national ranking...Two-time high jump state champion (sophomore and junior)...Four-time NFL Pro Bowl cornerback Antonio Cromartie is Shania's uncle.

5 | JESSICA KEMP

**6-3 | GRADUATE
MIDDLE BLOCKER/
RIGHT SIDE
FORT MILL, S.C.
(NC STATE)**

Season Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

Career Highs

<i>Kills</i>	22 vs. Virginia Tech (10/4/19)*
<i>Attempts</i>	47 vs. Boston College (10/25/19)*
<i>Assists</i>	2 vs. Clemson (11/1/19)*
<i>Service Aces</i>	5 at Virginia (10/18/19)*
<i>Digs</i>	9 vs. ECU (9/10/19)*
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	2 vs. Georgia Tech (11/3/19)*
<i>Block Assists</i>	6, 3x, last at Notre Dame (9/29/19)*

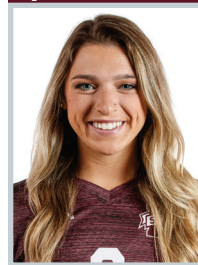
* - Set while at NC State

MSU Career Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

Career Notes

Spent four seasons at NC State. **Junior (2019 - NC State):** Started in 24 of 30 appearances with 121 of 123 sets played...No. 2 on team in kills (312) and blocks (87)...Posted a .272 hitting pct...Had five-plus blocks in nine matches. **Redshirt Sophomore (2018 - NC State):** Appeared in two matches. **Sophomore (2017):** Redshirt season. **Freshman (2016):** Made 13 starts over 17 appearances with 55 sets played...Named ACC Freshman of the Week on Nov. 28.

6 | KENDALL MURR

**5-8 | JUNIOR
DEF. SPECIALIST
YORKTOWN, IND.
YORKTOWN HS
(JACKSONVILLE)**

Season Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

Career Highs

<i>Kills</i>	1, 4x, last at North Texas (9/13/18)
<i>Attempts</i>	3 vs. Bethune-Cookman (10/3/17)*
<i>Assists</i>	4, 4x, at Ole Miss (10/21/18)
<i>Service Aces</i>	4 vs. Auburn (9/26/18)
<i>Digs</i>	34 vs. Davidson (9/1/18)
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

* - Set while at Jacksonville

MSU Career Highs

<i>Kills</i>	1 at North Texas (9/13/18)
<i>Attempts</i>	1, 5x, last vs. Florida (10/28/18)
<i>Assists</i>	4, 4x, at Ole Miss (10/21/18)
<i>Service Aces</i>	4 vs. Auburn (9/26/18)
<i>Digs</i>	34 vs. Davidson (9/1/18)
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

Career Notes

Transferred from Jacksonville when **Julie Darty Dennis** accepted head coaching position at Mississippi State from JU...Collected 219 digs as a rookie...Started in 30 of 31 matches as a sophomore at MSU...Led squad with 413 digs as a sophomore and tied for No. 2 on the team with 15 service aces...Led the team in digs in 21 matches, had double-digit digs in 24 matches, 20-plus digs in three matches and 30-plus digs twice...Missed junior season due to injury.

8 | GABBY WADEN

**5-10 | JUNIOR
MIDDLE BLOCKER/
RIGHT SIDE
COLUMBIA, S.C.
BLYTHEWOOD HS**

Season Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

Career Highs

<i>Kills</i>	24 vs. North Florida (9/19/19)
<i>Attempts</i>	44 vs. North Florida (9/19/19)
<i>Assists</i>	2 at South Carolina (10/6/19)
<i>Service Aces</i>	1 at South Carolina (10/6/19)
<i>Digs</i>	6 at South Carolina (10/6/19)
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	2 vs. Stetson (9/13/19)
<i>Block Assists</i>	5, 3x, last at Arkansas (11/24/19)

2019 Sophomore Season

Started in 22 of 30 appearances...Led team in kills (343) and points (378)...Had double-digit kills in team-best 18 matches and 20-plus in two contests...Collect hitting pct. of .300 or better in 12 matches...Had season-best 24 kills on .409 hitting pct. vs. North Florida (9/19)...Named to Southern Miss Classic All-Tournament Team (45 kills, .429 hitting pct.) and Hail State Invitational MVP (48 kills, .429 hitting pct.).

9 | CALLIE MINSHAW

**5-11 | SOPHOMORE
MIDDLE BLOCKER
BRANDON, MISS.
BRANDON HS**

Season Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

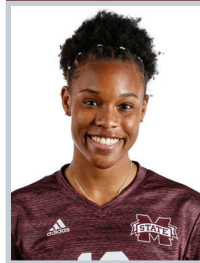
Career Highs

<i>Kills</i>	17, 2x, last vs. New Orleans (9/6/19)
<i>Attempts</i>	60 vs. New Orleans (9/6/19)
<i>Assists</i>	3 at Auburn (11/1/19)
<i>Service Aces</i>	3 vs. Mississippi Valley State (8/30/19)
<i>Digs</i>	16 vs. UAB (9/20/19)
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	2 at Arkansas (11/24/19)
<i>Block Assists</i>	6 vs. Arkansas State (9/7/19)

2019 Freshman Season

Started all 30 matches and was one of two Bulldogs to play all 114 sets...Collected most digs (268) of any SEC freshman...Led team with 29 aces...No. 2 on squad in kills (255) and points (303.5)...Among top 10 MSU freshmen all-time in attempts (No. 4; 1,027), aces (Tied, No. 8; 29) and kills (No. 9; 255)...Only 2019 MSU player with 200 kills and 200 digs...Had six double-doubles, the second highest mark on the team.

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10 | FRANCESCA McBRIDE

**6-3 | FRESHMAN
OPPOSITE HITTER
DETROIT, MICH.
TROY HS**

Season Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

Career Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

High School

Led Troy to two district titles, as a sophomore and junior...An all-region selection following her junior and senior seasons...Named honorable mention all-state honoree by MIVCA and MLive.com following senior campaign...Named a PrepVolleyball.com Senior Ace as one of Top 150 players in her class.

11 | MARGARET DEAN

**5-8 | GRADUATE
SETTER
BEDFORD, TEXAS
TRINITY HS
(SFA)**

Season Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

Career Highs

<i>Kills</i>	4 vs. Rice (9/14/19)*
<i>Attempts</i>	10, 2x, last vs. Rice (9/14/19)*
<i>Assists</i>	26 at Northwestern State (10/26/19)*
<i>Service Aces</i>	3, 3x, last at Central Arkansas (10/24/19)*
<i>Digs</i>	17 at SMU (8/31/19)*
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	1 at Northwestern (9/7/19)*
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

* - Set while at SFA

MSU Career Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

Career Notes

Helped SFA to back-to-back NCAA Tournament berths, Southland Conference titles and undefeated conference records in final two seasons as a Ladyjack. **Junior (2019 - SFA):** Totaled 550 assists in two-setter system...Led team with 35 service aces...Had 13 double-doubles...Tallied 20-plus assists in 10 matches...Collected double-digit digs in 13 matches. **Sophomore (2018 - SFA):** Appeared in 48 sets over 24 matches...Helped SFA to program-best and nation-leading 29-match win streak.

13 | DEJA ROBINSON

**6-1 | JUNIOR
MIDDLE BLOCKER
CANTON, GA.
SEQUOYAH HS**

Season Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

Career Highs

<i>Kills</i>	20 vs. Davidson (9/1/18)
<i>Attempts</i>	34 at LSU (11/3/19)
<i>Assists</i>	2, 2x, last at Kentucky (9/27/19)
<i>Service Aces</i>	2, 4x, last vs. New Orleans (9/6/19)
<i>Digs</i>	9 vs. North Florida (9/19/19)
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	4 vs. Stetson (9/13/19)
<i>Block Assists</i>	10 vs. North Florida (9/19/19)

2019 Sophomore Season

Started in 23 of 30 matches played with 107 sets played...Led the team in total blocks (107) and block assists (83)...Finished No. 2 on the team in hitting pct. (.270) and solo blocks (27)...No. 3 on the team in points (302.5)...Collected double-digit kills in eight matches, with a hitting pct. of .292 or better in six of those matches...Collected a season-high 11 blocks against North Florida (10/19).

14 | BURGUNDY WALTERS

**6-0 | SOPHOMORE
MIDDLE BLOCKER
SANFORD, FLA.
SEMINOLE HS**

Season Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

Career Highs

<i>Kills</i>	3 vs. Western Illinois (8/31/19)
<i>Attempts</i>	9 at Tennessee (10/13/19)
<i>Assists</i>	1 vs. LSU (9/29/19)
<i>Service Aces</i>	1 vs. Jackson State (9/19/19)
<i>Digs</i>	1, 2x, last at Tennessee (10/13/19)
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	1, 2x, last at Missouri (10/27/19)
<i>Block Assists</i>	4 vs. Western Illinois (8/31/19)

2019 Freshman Season

Started in one of seven appearances with 11 sets played...Made first-career start against Ole Miss (10/4)...Made debut against Mississippi Valley State (8/30)...Had four blocks against Western Illinois (8/31)...Biochemistry major.

16 | LOGAN BROWN

**6-0 | REDSHIRT JR.
OUTSIDE HITTER
DALLAS, TEXAS
ROWLETT HS**

Season Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

Career Highs

<i>Kills</i>	20 at Georgia Tech (9/15/18)*
<i>Attempts</i>	59 vs. Tennessee (11/18/18)*
<i>Assists</i>	4 vs. LSU (11/11/18)*
<i>Service Aces</i>	3 vs. Northwestern (9/8/18)*
<i>Digs</i>	8 vs. Ole Miss (10/5/18)*
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	1 at Georgia (11/21/18)*
<i>Block Assists</i>	3, 4x, last vs. Alabama (10/21/18)*

* - Set while at Arkansas

MSU Career Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

Career Notes

Missed 2019 season, her first year in Starkville, due to transfer restrictions. **Sophomore (2018 - Arkansas):** Made 26 starts in 28 matches played...Recorded 258 kills...Had a season-best 20 kills at Georgia Tech (9/15). **Junior (2017- Arkansas):** Appeared in 14 matches and 40 sets...Tallied a season-high nine kills against Sam Houston State (9/15).

17 | ALDEN WILLIS

**5-4 | JUNIOR
DEF. SPECIALIST
RALEIGH, N.C.
BROUGHTON HS
(ECU)**

Season Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

Career Highs

<i>Kills</i>	1 at Gardner-Webb (9/20/19)*
<i>Attempts</i>	2 at Gardner-Webb (9/20/19)*
<i>Assists</i>	3 vs. Gardner-Webb (9/7/18)*
<i>Service Aces</i>	3 vs. Gardner-Webb (9/7/18)*
<i>Digs</i>	26 vs. Hampton (8/31/18)*
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

* - Set while at ECU

MSU Career Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

Career Notes

Transferred to Mississippi State in Spring 2020. **Sophomore (2019 - ECU):** Appeared in 28 and 91 sets...Helped Pirates to 19-11 record...Had 112 digs and 13 aces...Tallied double-digit digs twice. **Freshman (2018):** Played in all 29 matches with two starts and appeared in 96 sets...Collected 177 digs...Tallied double-digit digs in five matches...Collected a season-best 26 digs versus Hampton (8/31).

18 | LAUREN MYRICK

**6-0 | SOPHOMORE
OUTSIDE HITTER
LOUISVILLE, KY.
ASSUMPTION HS
(LIPSCOMB)**

Season Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

Career Highs

<i>Kills</i>	17 vs. Xavier (9/13/19)*
<i>Attempts</i>	43 vs. Xavier (9/13/19)*
<i>Assists</i>	2, 2x, last vs. Coastal Carolina (9/21/19)*
<i>Service Aces</i>	2, 2x, last vs. Coastal Carolina (9/21/19)*
<i>Digs</i>	11 vs. IUPUI (9/6/19)*
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	1, 3x, last at Georgia Tech (9/5/19)*
<i>Block Assists</i>	3 vs IUPUI (9/6/19)*

* - Set while at Lipscomb

MSU Career Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

Career Notes

Transferred to Mississippi State following her 2019 freshman season at Lipscomb. **Freshman (2019 - Lipscomb):** Started in four of 29 appearances with 91 sets played...Finished No. 4 on the team in kills (177)...Collected double-digit kills in eight matches...Had two double-doubles...Set season-high for kills (17) versus Xavier (9/13) with a .326 hitting pct. **High School:** Helped Assumption High School to back-to-back USA Today National Championships as a junior and senior.

21 | KATIE CULUMOVIC

**5-5 | FRESHMAN
SETTER/
DEF. SPECIALIST
SIMPSONVILLE, S.C.
ST. JOSEPH'S**

Season Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

Career Highs

<i>Kills</i>	1 vs. UAB (9/20/19)
<i>Attempts</i>	3 vs. Sam Houston State (9/13/19)
<i>Assists</i>	26 vs. Sam Houston State (9/13/19)
<i>Service Aces</i>	1, 3x, last vs. Arkansas (10/20/19)
<i>Digs</i>	12 vs. SHSU (9/13/19)
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

2019 Freshman Season

Started in two of four appearances with 24 sets played...Earned first-career double-double (26 assists & 12 digs) in her first-career start against Sam Houston State (9/13)...Made collegiate debut against Mississippi Valley State (8/30).

22 | SKYLAR BUCKLEY

**5-5 | FRESHMAN
SETTER/
DEF. SPECIALIST
SIMPSONVILLE, S.C.
ST. JOSEPH'S**

Season Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

Career Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

High School

Won five state championships at North Raleigh Christian Academy...Racked up 1,000-plus digs (1,453), kills (1,142) and assists (1,055) during her prep career...Named an AVCA and PrepVolleyball.com All-American as a senior...Also excelled in beach volleyball.

27 | AKACIA BROWN

**6-2 | FRESHMAN
OUTSIDE HITTER
WATERLOO, IOWA
CEDAR FALLS HS**

Season Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

Career Highs

<i>Kills</i>	N/A
<i>Attempts</i>	N/A
<i>Assists</i>	N/A
<i>Service Aces</i>	N/A
<i>Digs</i>	N/A
<i>Solo Blocks</i>	N/A
<i>Block Assists</i>	N/A

High School

Reigning Gatorade Iowa Player of the Year...All-America selection by MaxPreps, AVCA and PrepVolleyball.com...Led Cedar Falls High School to 44-1 record, No. 6 national ranking and state title...Tallied 517 kills, 308 digs, 65 blocks and 50 aces as a senior...517 kills set single-season record, besting her own mark from a year before...Set Iowa 5A tournament record with 37 kills in 2019 semifinal...As a junior, tallied 3.67 kills per set on a .377 hitting pct...Sister, Kaz Brown, was four-time All-SEC selection at Kentucky (2014-17).



JULIE DARTY DENNIS

HEAD COACH THIRD SEASON AT MSU

On January 10, 2018, Julie Darty Dennis was officially introduced as the 12th head coach of Mississippi State volleyball. Since then, Darty Dennis has gone to work building her program into a competitor in the SEC.

Her 2020 signing class marks her newest achievement. In a group that includes nine total newcomers, Darty Dennis's five-player freshmen class earned the distinction of high honorable mention from PrepVolleyball.com. Four transfer student-athletes also joined the mix.

The 2020 freshman group includes state champions, All-Americans and a laundry list of individual awards. It's led by outside hitter Akacia Brown, who was named Iowa Gatorade Player of the Year after an outstanding prep senior season.

Darty Dennis's talented group of newcomers adds to a strong base. In her second season as State's head coach in 2019, Darty Dennis led her club to an 11-1 start, tied for the best 12-match start in program history (2000, 1992). State added a season sweep of Auburn during conference play, and took three conference opponents to five sets.

Part of the team's success in 2019 came from anchoring performances from seniors Alleah Stamatis and Amarrah Cooks, two student-athletes that had played under Darty Dennis at her previous post at Jacksonville. After they earned all-conference honors as sophomores in Jacksonville, Darty Dennis helped prepare the duo for life in the SEC, where they developed into two of the best Bulldogs to play their respective positions. As a senior, Stamatis became just the seventh State setter to collect 1,000 assists in a season. Cooks, a middle blocker, led all qualified attackers in hitting percentage both seasons in maroon and white on her way to setting the Bulldog career record for the category (.303).

Darty Dennis's ability to recruit and develop also showed through in first-year outside hitter Callie Minshew, a two-time Mississippi Gatorade Player of the Year in high school. Minshew started all 30 matches and was one of two student-athletes to play all 114 sets for State in 2019. The rookie from Brandon, Mississippi, led all SEC freshmen in digs (268) and tied for No. 2 among conference rookies in service aces (29).

In 2018, Darty Dennis helped lead standout middle blocker Deja Robinson to SEC All-Freshman Team honors as well as SEC Freshman of the Week honors. Robinson found herself in Mississippi State's freshman record book with 94 total blocks (No. 3), 70 block assists, for the sixth-place spot and 24 solo blocks (No. 6). In 2019, Robinson ranked tied for fifth in the league in blocks, averaging one per set.

Darty Dennis's first SEC win came in dramatic fashion, as her team fought back from trailing 2-0 to win in five sets against Auburn.

Prior to her arrival in Starkville, Darty Dennis turned Jacksonville into one of the Atlantic Sun's top programs. The 2013 and 2014 AVCA "Thirty under 30" award winner, she led the Dolphins to the 2014 Atlantic Sun Tournament championship and an NCAA tournament appearance during her first year as a collegiate head coach.

During her Jacksonville tenure (2014-17), Darty Dennis coached 11 All-Atlantic Sun honorees, including five first-team selections, alongside five ASUN All-Tournament selections and three ASUN All-Academic Team members. In her final season in Jacksonville, she guided the Dolphins to an 18-10 overall record and a 9-2 home mark, while overcoming adversity left in the wake of Hurricane Irma. Jacksonville's Swisher Gymnasium was unplayable for much of the season, and the Dolphins were forced to practice and play in several area gymnasiums.

The Dolphins also finished the season with a 12-2 mark against ASUN Conference opponents to earn the No. 2 seed in the league tournament. It was the first time since the 2013 season that Jacksonville posted 10 or more wins in the ASUN and received higher than the third seed in the ASUN tournament. Six Dolphins earned All-ASUN accolades and Mackenzie Swan was the second player under Darty Dennis's leadership to earn ASUN Defensive Player of the Year accolades.

Darty Dennis posted 58 career wins in four seasons, and she earned her 50th career victory in 2017 – a 3-1 victory over Kennesaw State. Other notable victories during her tenure included a 3-1 triumph over Lipscomb, which crowned the Dolphins the 2014 ASUN Tournament Champions; a 3-2 defeat win Stephen F. Austin in 2015; a 3-0 sweep of Presbyterian in 2016; and a 3-2 conquest over Bethune-Cookman in 2017 to push JU to 51-0 all-time against the Wildcats.

In 2017, Darty Dennis's squad ranked first in overall digs in the Atlantic Sun with 1,846. Jacksonville finished 38th in the NCAA and first in the conference with 16.94 digs per set. The Dolphins also finished third in the ASUN with 1,425 team kills and 211.5 total blocks.

In January 2017, Darty Dennis also took on the role of director of volleyball over the university's beach program. Under Darty Dennis's tutelage, the team captured back-to-back appearances in the ASUN Championship (2015-16), and the 2016 season also saw the Dolphins sweep South Carolina in the Gamecock Invitational.

In her first season with the Dolphins and her first year as a head coach, Darty Dennis led the indoor program to its third conference tournament championship. Jacksonville won four of its final five ASUN matches to earn the No. 3 seed in the league tournament. Defeating each opponent, 3-1, the Dolphins were crowned the 2014 ASUN Champions, earning an automatic berth to the NCAA tournament.

Year two saw an improved win mark in league play (8-6) and several league distinctions including All-Atlantic Sun Defensive Player of the Year, two All-Atlantic Sun First Team honors, an Academic All-Conference honor, and an All-Atlantic Sun Tournament honor.

Before Jacksonville, Darty Dennis spent two seasons at the University of South Carolina (2012-13) where she was the associate head coach and recruiting coordinator for the Gamecocks. After the 2012 season, she was named to the AVCA's "Thirty Under 30" list as one of the rising stars in the coaching world. In her time in Columbia, the Gamecocks won 30 games and posted just their second winning record in a decade during the 2012 season.

Prior to South Carolina, Darty Dennis spent a pair of seasons at Villanova University, where the Wildcats posted back-to-back top-four finishes in the 15-team Big East in the 2010 and 2011 seasons. She got her start as an assistant coach at Lake Mary (Fla.) High School. At the same time, she helped with two club teams in the Orlando area.

As a student-athlete, Darty Dennis was a standout at Mercer University from 2004-07. In all four seasons, she led the Bears in kills per set. As a sophomore in 2005, she compiled a team-best .277 attacking percentage. In the Mercer record book, Darty Dennis currently holds the second-place spot in career kills (1,264) and career kills per set (3.18), while having the third-most career total attacks (3,376) and the fourth-most blocking assists in a single season (92 in 2006). In 2004, Darty Dennis earned A-Sun All-Freshman honors.

Darty Dennis graduated from Mercer with a degree in communications. She married Bryan Dennis in May 2020, and the couple lives in Starkville.

THE DARTY DENNIS FILE

Personal

Hometown: Oviedo, Fla.
Birthday: January 5, 1986

Coaching Career

2018-Present	Mississippi State Head Coach
2014-17	Jacksonville Head Coach
2013	South Carolina Associate Head Coach
2012	South Carolina Assistant Coach
2010-11	Villanova Assistant Coach

Year-by-Year

As a Head Coach

Year	School	Record
2014	Jacksonville	19-15
2015	Jacksonville	12-16
2016	Jacksonville	9-19
2017	Jacksonville	18-10
2018	Mississippi State	5-26
2019	Mississippi State	13-16
Total	Five Seasons	76-103 (.425)

As an Assistant Coach

Year	School	Record
2010	Villanova	23-7
2011	Villanova	17-13
2012	South Carolina	18-15
2013	South Carolina	12-19
Total	Four Seasons	70-54 (.565)

Awards/Honors

2013, 2014 AVCA "Thirty under 30" award winner

Playing Career

Mercer University, 2004-07

Career Records

2nd - Kills (1,264)
2nd - Kills/Set (3.18)
3rd - Attacking Attempts (3,376)

Single-Season Records

4th - Blocking Assists (92 in 2006)

Other Notes

2004 Atlantic Sun All-Freshman Team
2004-07 - Led team in K/S each season
2005 - Led team in Attacking Percentage (.277)

The Automated ScoreBook
Mississippi St. Combined Team Statistics (as of Dec 02, 2019)
All matches

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	13-17	7-8	3-8	3-1
CONFERENCE	2-16	1-8	1-8	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	11-1	6-0	2-0	3-1

#	Player	sp	Attack					Set		Serve			re	Dig		Blocking						points
			k	k/s	e	ta	pct	a	a/s	sa	se	sa/s		dig	dig/s	bs	ba	total	blk/s	be	bhe	
8	Waden, Gabby	113	343	3.04	125	808	.270	5	0.04	1	3	0.01	0	52	0.46	9	50	59	0.52	1	0	378.0
9	Minshaw, Callie	114	255	2.24	176	1027	.077	16	0.14	29	39	0.25	32	268	2.35	9	21	30	0.26	4	2	303.5
1	Cooks, Amarrah	109	232	2.13	59	547	.316	2	0.02	0	0	0.00	1	23	0.21	27	64	91	0.83	4	0	291.0
13	Robinson, Deja	111	225	2.03	82	516	.277	13	0.12	12	6	0.11	1	58	0.52	24	83	107	0.96	9	1	302.5
12	Shaw, Paige	107	161	1.50	130	634	.049	12	0.11	13	39	0.12	51	176	1.64	15	47	62	0.58	5	0	212.5
7	Stamatis, Alleah	111	68	0.61	25	237	.181	10	0.17	26	10	0.23	0	296	2.67	5	39	44	0.40	5	11	118.5
23	Jordan, Makenzie	107	24	0.22	23	105	.010	49	0.46	17	13	0.16	23	261	2.44	1	2	3	0.03	0	0	43.0
14	Walters, Burgundy	16	10	0.62	2	24	.333	1	0.06	1	5	0.06	0	2	0.12	2	8	10	0.62	0	0	17.0
5	Lochner, Brooklyn	12	5	0.42	1	8	.500	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	4	4	0.33	1	0	7.0
11	Price, Kanani	114	2	0.02	0	5	.400	59	0.52	16	37	0.14	24	424	3.72	0	0	0	0.00	0	1	18.0
17	Smith, Kate	55	1	0.02	0	3	.333	2	0.04	5	5	0.09	4	40	0.73	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	6.0
21	Culumovic, Katie	24	1	0.04	0	6	.167	39	1.62	3	6	0.12	0	30	1.25	0	0	0	0.00	1	1	4.0
3	Zgunda, Gabby	12	0	0.00	0	0	.000	17	1.42	2	1	0.17	6	43	3.58	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	2.0
	TEAM	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	MISSISSIPPI ST	114	1327	11.64	623	3920	.180	1232	10.81	125	164	1.10	162	1673	14.68	92	318	251.0	2.20	30	16	1703.0
	Opponents	114	1528	13.40	649	4117	.214	1413	12.39	159	240	1.39	123	1718	15.07	44	293	190.5	1.67	48	31	1877.5

Team Statistics	MSU	OPP	Date	Opponent	Score	Score by set	Att.
ATTACK			8/30/19	CHATTANOOGA	w 3-1	25-18,20-25,25-22,25-19	228
Kills	1327	1528	8/30/19	MISSISSIPPI VAL.	w 3-0	25-9,25-10,25-16	228
Errors	623	649	8/31/19	WESTERN ILL.	w 3-2	15-25,25-19,15-25,26-24,15-7	218
Total Attacks	3920	4117	8/6/19	vs New Orleans	w 3-1	18-25,26-24,26-24,25-19	0
Attack Pct	.180	.214	9/7/19	vs Arkansas State	w 3-2	25-22,15-25,23-25,25-17,15-13	0
Kills/Set	11.6	13.4	9/7/19	at Southern Miss	w 3-0	25-17,25-19,25-23	448
SET			9/13/19	vs Stetson	L 2-3	25-19,22-25,15-25,25-17,10-15	64
Assists	1232	1413	09/13/19	vs Sam Houston St.	w 3-0	25-22,25-22,26-24	47
Attempts	3910	4153	9/14/19	at Jacksonville St.	w 3-1	25-22,24-26,25-23,25-19	214
Assist Pct	.315	.340	9/19/19	JACKSON STATE	w 3-0	25-7,25-18,25-16	108
Assists/Set	10.8	12.4	9/19/19	NORTH FLORIDA	w 3-2	17-25,25-17,30-28,24-26,15-10	162
SERVE			9/20/19	UAB	w 3-2	17-25,25-19,22-25,25-16,15-11	167
Aces	125	159	*9/27/19	at #16 Kentucky	L 1-3	17-25,11-25,25-21,23-25	1946
Errors	164	240	*9/29/19	LSU	L 0-3	20-25,24-26,23-25	293
Attempts	2440	2498	*10/4/19	OLE MISS	L 2-3	9-25,25-23,25-18,23-25,12-15	717
Serve Pct	.933	.904	*10/6/19	at South Carolina	L 0-3	11-25,23-25,26-28	1103
Aces/Set	1.1	1.4	*10/9/19	at Alabama	L 1-3	18-25,39-37,17-25,19-25	48
SERVE RECEPTIONS			*10/13/19	at Tennessee	L 0-3	15-25,15-25,23-25	131
Errors	162	123	*10/18/19	TEXAS A&M	L 1-3	22-25,19-25,23-22,15-25	402
Errors/Set	1.4	1.1	*10/20/19	ARKANSAS	L 1-3	19-25,20-25,25-22,22-25	395
Attempts	2264	2242	*10/25/19	AUBURN	w 3-1	19-25,25-22,25-15,25-16	618
Reception Pct	.928	.945	*10/27/19	at Missouri	L 0-3	19-25,25-27,18-25	1119
DEFENSE			*11/01/19	at Auburn	w 3-0	27-25,25-21,25-22	2492
Digs	1673	1718	*11/3/19	at LSU	L 2-3	23-25,25-20,9-25,25-22,15-17	881
Digs/Set	14.7	15.1	*11/8/19	SOUTH CAROLINA	L 0-3	21-25,24-26,21-25	147
BLOCKING			*11/10/19	FLORIDA	L 0-3	18-25,15-25,21-25	561
Block Solo	92	44	*11/17/19	GEORGIA	L 0-3	16-25,21-25,21-25	368
Block Assist	318	293	*11/22/19	at Texas A&M	L 0-3	19-25,14-25,22-25	1573
Total Blocks	251.0	190.5	*11/24/19	at Arkansas	L 2-3	26-28,18-25,25-20,25-20,13-15	888
Blocks/Set	2.2	1.7	*11/30/19	TENNESSEE	L 0-3	10-25,18-25,18-25	261
Block Errors	30	48					
Ball handling errors	16	31					
ATTENDANCE							
Total	4873	10843					
Dates/Avg Per Date	15/325	11/986					
Neutral site #/Avg	4/28						
Current win streak	0	-					
Home win streak	0	-					

Record in 3-set matches: 5-9
Record in 4-set matches: 4-4
Record in 5-set matches: 4-4



2 | Lilly Gunter
DS | 5-8 | Fr.
Oveido, Fla.



4 | Shania Cromartie
OH | 5-9 | Fr.
Tallahassee, Fla.



5 | Jessica Kemp
OH/RS | 6-3 | Gr.
Fort Mill, S.C.



6 | Kendall Murr
DS | 5-8 | Sr.
Yorktown, Ind.



8 | Gabby Waden
MB/RS | 5-10 | Jr.
Columbia, S.C.



9 | Callie Minshew
OH | 5-11 | So.
Brandon, Miss.



10 | Francesca McBride
OPP | 6-3 | Fr.
Detroit, Mich.



11 | Margaret Dean
S | 5-8 | Gr.
Bedford, Texas



13 | Deja Robinson
MB | 6-1 | Jr.
Canton, Ga.



14 | Burgundy Walters
MB | 6-0 | So.
Sanford, Fla.



16 | Logan Brown
OH | 6-0 | R-Jr.
Dallas, Texas



17 | Alden Willis
DS | 5-4 | Jr.
Raleigh, N.C.



18 | Lauren Myrick
OH/RS | 6-0 | So.
Louisville, Ky.



21 | Katie Culumovic
S/DS | 5-5 | So.
Simpsonville, S.C.



22 | Skylar Buckley
S | 5-9 | Fr.
Raleigh, N.C.



27 | Akacia Brown
OH | 6-2 | Fr.
Waterloo, Iowa

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