

# INAUGURAL SEASON



2013 GEORGIA STATE SAND VOLLEYBALL

# MAKE YOUR MOVE

# 2012-13 PANTHER SAND VOLLEYBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
11/3/12	at Florida State	Tallahassee, Fla.	All Day
<b><i>Ron Jon Surf Shop Beach-n-Boards Festival</i></b>			
3/9/13	Stetson, Jacksonville, Coll. of Charleston,	Cocoa Beach, Fla.	All Day
3/10/13	Louisiana-Monroe	Cocoa Beach, Fla.	All Day
3/12/13	MERCER UNIVERSITY	Atlanta, Ga.	5 P.M.
<b><i>College of Charleston Tournament</i></b>			
3/23/13	UAB, Mercer	Charleston, S.C.	All Day
3/24/13	Charleston	Charleston, S.C.	All Day
<b><i>Florida International Tournament</i></b>			
3/30/13	FIU Florida Atlantic, Pepperdine,	Miami Beach, Fla.	All Day
3/31/13	UAB, Tulane	Miami Beach, Fla.	All Day
<b><i>Georgia State Sand Invitational</i></b>			
4/6/13	FLORIDA STATE, TULANE,	Atlanta, Ga.	All Day
4/7/13	LOUISIANA-MONROE	Atlanta, Ga.	All Day
<b><i>Fiesta at Siesta Tournament</i></b>			
4/12/13	FSU, FIU, Tulane,	Siesta Key, Fla.	1 P.M.
4/13/13	Jacksonville, FGCU,	Siesta Key, Fla.	All Day
4/14/13	FAU, Louisiana-Monroe	Siesta Key, Fla.	All Day
<b><i>Florida State University Tournament</i></b>			
4/20	Florida State, UAB,	Tallahassee, Fla.	All Day
4/21	Charleston	Tallahassee, Fla.	All Day
4/27	at Louisiana-Monroe	Monroe, La.	TBD
<b><i>AVCA National Championships</i></b>			
5/3/13		Gulf Shores, Ala.	All Day
5/4/13	To Be Determined...	Gulf Shores, Ala.	All Day
5/5/13		Gulf Shores, Ala.	All Day

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**PANTHERS AT A GLANCE**

**General Information**

**Location:** Atlanta, Ga.  
**Founded:** 1913  
**Enrollment:** 33,000  
**Nickname:** Panthers  
**Colors:** Blue (PMS 286) and White  
**Home Court:** GSU Sand Volleyball Complex  
**Affiliation:** NCAA Division I  
**Conference:** Sun Belt  
**President:** Dr. Mark P. Becker/4th year  
**Director of Athletics:** Cheryl L. Levick/4th year  
**Sport Administrator:** James Greenwell  
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**Athletics Website:** GeorgiaStateSports.com

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# GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY

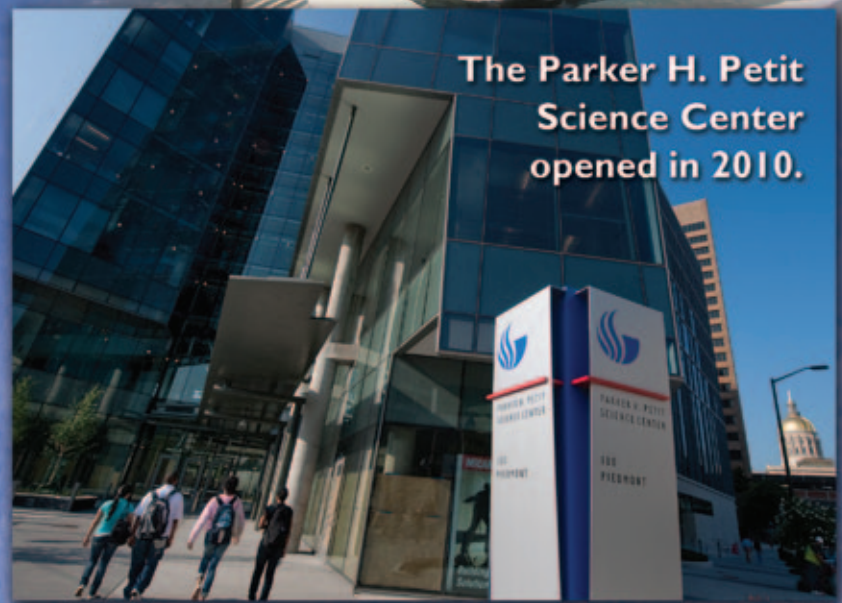


Located in the Southeast's governmental, financial, retail, health and legal center in downtown Atlanta, **GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY IS A PLACE** where teaching, research and service are woven together to create a meaningful learning experience.

Georgia State University offers educational opportunities for traditional and nontraditional students at both the graduate and undergraduate levels by blending the best of theoretical and applied inquiry, scholarly and professional pursuits, and scientific and artistic expression.

As an urban research university with strong disciplinary-based departments and a wide array of problem-oriented interdisciplinary programs, the goal of the university is to develop, transmit, and utilize knowledge in order to provide access to quality education for diverse groups of students, to educate leaders for the State of Georgia and the nation, and to prepare citizens for lifelong learning in a global society.

Founded in 1913, Georgia State offers 250 degree programs in 100 fields of study are offered at the bachelor's, master's, specialist and doctoral levels through eight colleges: the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies, the Byrdine F. Lewis School of Nursing and Health Professions, the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Education, the College of Law, the Honors College, the Institute of Public Health, and the J. Mack Robinson College of Business .



The Parker H. Petit Science Center opened in 2010.

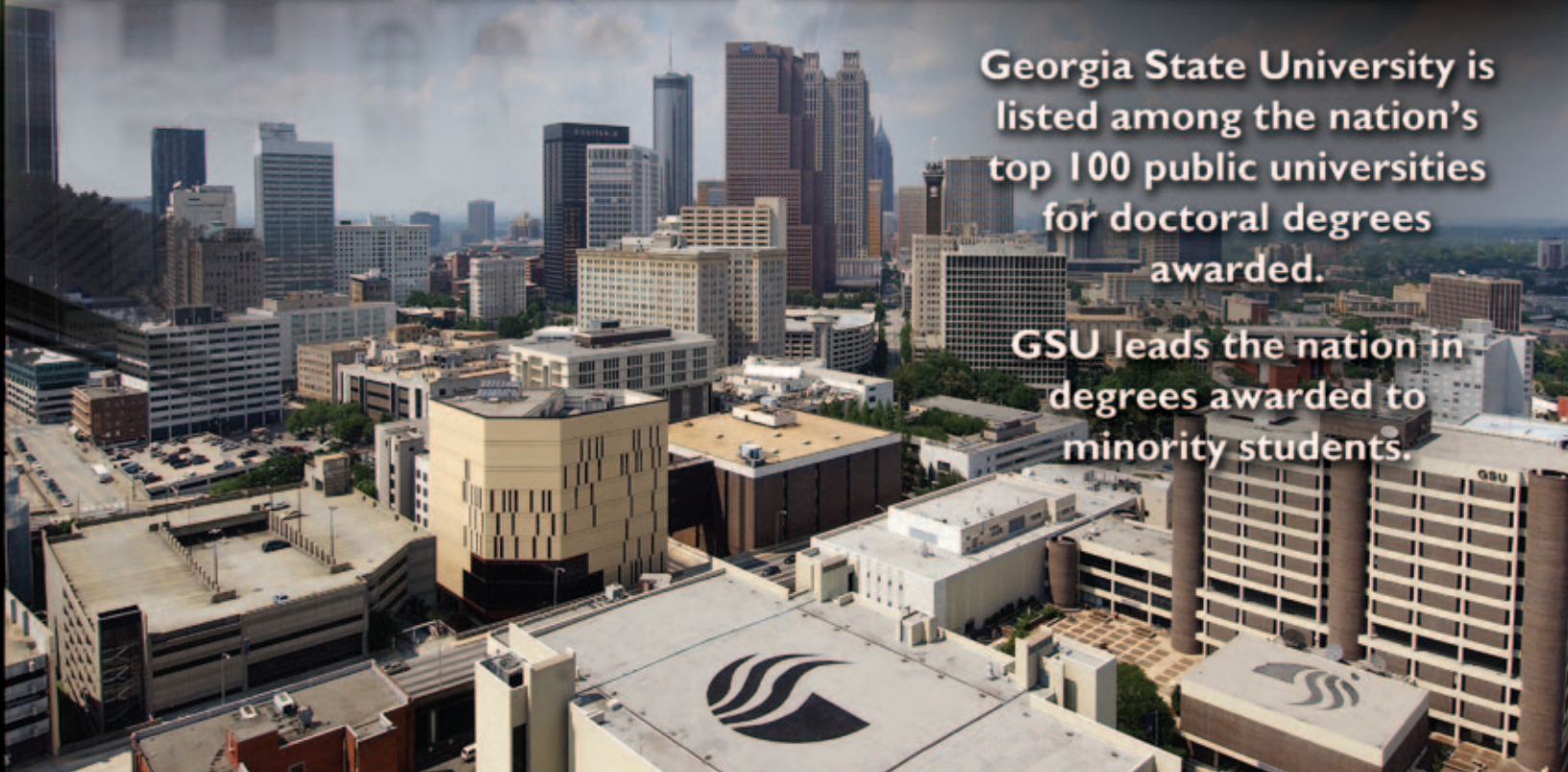
# GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY

is a leading urban research university, educating Georgia's most diverse student population. With an enrollment of more than 33,000 students, it is the second largest institution in the University System of Georgia. Students arrive from every county in Georgia, every state in the nation and more than 160 countries.



Georgia State University is listed among the nation's top 100 public universities for doctoral degrees awarded.

GSU leads the nation in degrees awarded to minority students.



# DR. MARK P. BECKER

## GSU PRESIDENT



Since beginning his tenure as Georgia State University's seventh president on Jan. 1, 2009, Mark P. Becker has launched a major strategic planning initiative focused on positioning the university to become one of the nation's premier urban universities. Embracing its commitments to recognized excellence in both education and research, as well as its unique location in and commitment to Atlanta, the university is rising to new levels of accomplishment and impact.

Under Becker's leadership, GSU in 2011 approved and began implementation of its 10-year Strategic Plan, whose mission is to position Georgia State "as a dynamic academic community where teaching and research combine to produce leaders and create solutions to conquer the challenges of the 21st century."

In 2010 Becker oversaw the launch of the Second Century Initiative for faculty excellence, or "2CI." This initiative is recruiting additional faculty members to Georgia State to build internationally recognized scholarly strength and critical mass in areas of priority.

Seeking to recognize the importance and influence of international commerce and technology for Georgia State students and researchers, Becker has worked to enhance Georgia State University's global

reach, the cornerstone of which was the 2010 opening of GSU's Confucius Institute, a partnership with the Beijing Language and Culture University and one of the first business-oriented Confucius Institutes in the United States.

In addition, Becker leads a diverse university whose undergraduate academic profile continues to rise, and a number of the university's excellent graduate programs enjoy strong national rankings.

Becker also has overseen a number of physical improvements and enhancements including: the opening of the Parker H. "Pete" Petit Science Center; the university's first freshman housing and dining complex, the Piedmont North housing and dining complex; the construction of on-campus Greek housing; and the purchasing of land for future growth and expansion in downtown Atlanta.

Prior to his appointment to Georgia State, Becker served as executive vice president for academic affairs and provost at the University of South Carolina.

Before assuming that role, Becker spent three years at the University of Minnesota as a biostatistics professor, dean of the School of Public Health and assistant vice president of Public Health, Preparedness and Emergency Response.

From 1989 to 2000, Becker was a

professor and associate dean for academic affairs at the University of Michigan's School of Public Health. He also has held academic appointments at the University of Washington, the University of Florida and Cornell University.

Becker earned his bachelor's degree in mathematics from Towson State University and his doctorate in statistics from the Pennsylvania State University.

Active in the Atlanta community, Becker is a member of the Central Atlanta Progress Executive Committee; Atlanta Committee for Progress Board of Directors; Georgia Aquarium Board; Woodruff Arts Center Board of Trustees; Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors; Georgia Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors; Georgia Research Alliance Board of Trustees; Commerce Club Operating Board; ARCHE (Atlanta Regional Council for Higher Education) Board; the Coalition of Urban Serving Universities Board of Directors; and the World Affairs Council of Atlanta Board of Directors.

During his career, Becker has been involved in several professional associations, including the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the International Biometric Society and the American Statistical Association, where he is a fellow. He has been principal investigator on research grants from the National Institutes of Health and the National Science Foundation, and he has published extensively in leading journals of medicine, public health, and statistics. Becker has served on a number of editorial boards, was co-editor of *Sociological Methodology*, and was a guest editor for *Sociological Methods and Research* and for the *Journal of the American Statistical Association*.

Becker and his wife, Laura Voisinet, have two grown children, Matthew and Julia.



# CHERYL L. LEVICK

## DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

In just three years at the helm, Georgia State University Director of Athletics Cheryl L. Levick has overseen the remarkable transformation of Panther Athletics, from the launch of GSU football to the enhancement of every sports program to the announcement that Georgia State will move to the Sun Belt Conference on July 1, 2013.

Levick presided over the Georgia State football program's highly successful debut in 2010, and now, after just two seasons, she has the Panthers poised for a jump to the Football Bowl Subdivision, a move that will continue GSU's ascent to the forefront of college athletics.

Her significant imprint extends to the basketball court as she lured successful head coach Ron Hunter, who revitalized GSU basketball in his first season and led the Panthers to their first postseason berth in a decade.

Levick's first three years on the job have also been marked by dramatic upgrades in facilities and fund-raising. Annual giving to the Panther Athletic Club has increased more than ten-fold, and the two largest gifts in the history of GSU athletics have been secured. Construction projects include the GSU Football Practice Complex, new facilities for strength and conditioning and sports medicine, and upgrades to every venue used by the Panthers.

And the progress continues. In 2012-13, sand volleyball comes on board as Georgia State's 19th sport, complete with a state-of-the-art facility on the GSU campus. The new sand volleyball complex is part of an ambitious Athletics Master Facilities Plan that Levick has developed to address the needs of every sport.

One constant amid the change is the success of GSU student-athletes in the classroom as the Panthers maintain a

cumulative grade point average over 3.0 while completing more than 5,000 hours of community service annually.

In 2011, Levick was recognized by the SportsBusiness Journal as a "Game Changer" among women in sports business.

With a resume of experience and success at prestigious athletics programs across the nation, Levick came to Georgia State in March 2009 from the University of Maryland, where she served as chief of staff/executive senior athletic director, overseeing daily management of the 27-sport program. Her impressive career includes a total of seven years as director of athletics at Santa Clara University and Saint Louis University as well as nearly two decades in senior administrative positions at Maryland and Stanford University and stints with the Pacific 10 Conference and the NCAA headquarters.

Levick was named the 2001 Division I Athletic Administrator of the Year by the National Association of Collegiate Women Athletic Administrators (NACWAA). In 2005-06, she received the General Sports TURF Systems Athletic Director of the Year Award for the NCAA Division I Central Region, and she was recognized in both 1998 and 1999 as one of the nation's Top 25 Female Sports Executives by Street & Smith's Sports Business Journal. She is a past president of the NCAA Division I-AAA Athletic Directors Association.

Before going to Maryland in 2007, she served three years (2004-07) as director of athletics at Saint Louis, where she led the transition from Conference USA to the Atlantic 10 Conference and served as the lead fundraiser for a new \$80 million on-campus arena and practice complex. In 2006, she received the Carl O. Bauer Award as the top amateur sports figure in the St. Louis area.

Levick also spent four years (2000-04) as director of athletics and recreation at Santa

Clara University, where she oversaw a major renovation of the school's basketball arena. The Broncos' women's soccer team captured the 2001 national championship, still the only NCAA team title in school history.

Prior to Santa Clara, Levick worked 12 years at Stanford as senior associate athletic director and senior woman administrator. She served as the primary administrator for 33 varsity programs that won 44 national championships and six straight Sears Cup titles during her tenure.

Levick previously served as assistant commissioner of the Pac-10 Conference, assistant director of communications and women's programs at the NCAA, women's gymnastics coach and associate athletic director at Slippery Rock University, and assistant gymnastics coach and synchronized swim coach at Indiana University. She began her career at Pattonville Senior High School in St. Louis, Mo., coaching gymnastics and women's track.

Levick is a 1974 graduate of the University of Missouri, and she holds a masters degree in athletic administration from Indiana University. She has two daughters: Heather, who is married to Michael Klass, and Melissa.



**THE LEVICK FAMILY:**  
(l-r) Michael, Heather, Cheryl, and Melissa.

# ATHLETICS STAFF



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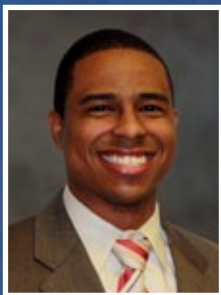
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GSU WELCOMES THE  
SUN BELT CONFERENCE  
TO ATLANTA

SUN  
BELT  
CONFERENCE



JULY 2013

APRIL 9, 2012:  
Georgia State  
University officially  
accepted an  
invitation to join  
the Sun Belt  
Conference  
in all sports  
beginning  
in July 2013.



# SUN BELT CONFERENCE

Georgia State Sand Volleyball will play its first year of competition in the spring of 2013. There are currently 22 teams slated to compete in the 2012-13 season, with 10 more schools adding the program in the near future.

## ABOUT SUN BELT SAND VOLLEYBALL:

- The Sun Belt boasts four schools to have sand volleyball: Georgia State, Louisiana-Monroe, Florida International and Florida Atlantic.
- This year will also be Louisiana-Monroe's and Florida International's first year. Florida Atlantic began competition last year.

There is no current conference championship, but teams will compete in the AVCA National Championships in early May.

**GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY**  
is located in the heart of Atlanta, an  
international city where people from  
all walks of life and every corner of the  
globe come to study, work and play.

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# ATLANTA

Some of the many attractions within  
minutes of the Georgia State campus:

- Georgia Aquarium
- Centennial Olympic Park
- Georgia Dome
- Philips Arena
- Rialto Theatre
- Martin Luther King Jr. Center
- CNN Center
- State Capitol
- Turner Field
- World of Coca Cola
- Fox Theatre
- Carter Presidential Library





## ATLANTA BY THE NUMBERS

- Population of 5 million in metropolitan area
- Third in the nation for Fortune 500 companies
- More than 25 Fortune 1000 firms
- Sixth on Forbes 2011 Top Ten list of cities for new college graduates
- Home to the world's busiest airport, serving 90 million passengers annually

At Georgia State, Atlanta weaves in and out of the educational experience. GSU students benefit from opportunities and advantages such as inspiration for class projects, resources for research, access to prominent leaders and thinkers, and proximity to internships, jobs and service related to their course of study.

# GSU CAMPUS



Located in the heart of one of America's great cities  
**THE GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS**  
has a profound influence on the changing landscape of downtown Atlanta.  
While the building blocks of the university will always be high-achieving  
students, world-class faculty and ground-breaking research, Georgia  
State boasts an ever-expanding and improving campus to accommodate  
that foundation.





**In the last decade, the Rialto Theater restoration, Student Center, Student Recreation Center, University Lofts, University Commons, Helen M. Aderhold classroom building and Parker H. Petit Science Teaching and Research Center have transformed the downtown cityscape at Atlanta's core.**



# CAMPUS HOUSING

On-campus housing at Georgia State University continues to grow, and more than 4,000 GSU students now live on campus.

The fall of 2009 saw the opening of the new freshman residence hall, which includes a dining facility. In 2010, GSU opened its first Greek housing, and in 2011, the university added the Piedmont North residence hall.

The University Commons, opened in 2007, is a 4.2-acre complex of four buildings surrounding a landscaped courtyard. All units come with fully-equipped kitchens, furnished bedrooms and spacious living areas.

The University Lofts, opened in 2002, contain fully-furnished, loft-style apartments that blend urban style with modern features.

All residence halls feature a full range of amenities including study and community lounge areas, laundry facilities, 24/7 security patrols, on-site or nearby parking and more.





Georgia State  
University's residence  
halls were ranked  
**NO. 1 IN THE NATION**  
by Dormsplash.com  
in 2011.

**Piedmont North opened in 2011.**



**The Freshman Hall opened in 2009  
and includes a dining facility.**



# ATHLETICS MASTER FACILITIES PLAN

An institution on the rise, Georgia State University has a tradition of progress that is reflected in its rising stature, growing campus and broadening influence.

The Georgia State Athletics Master Facilities Plan is a blueprint for success and growth for GSU Athletics that will allow every Panther program to compete at the highest level.

By building top-notch venues for every sport, Georgia State can recruit the best student-athletes and help them develop into champions. These new facilities will also enhance the game day experience for students, alumni and fans.



The centerpiece of the Athletics Master Plan is the transformation of the GSU Sports Arena, the home of Panther basketball and volleyball as well as the athletics offices.

The new Sports Arena will include a GSU Walk of Fame and team store.



The Athletics Master Plan also includes new venues for baseball, softball, men's and women's soccer, court volleyball and sand volleyball.



# GSU SAND VOLLEYBALL COMPLEX

The Georgia State University Sand Volleyball Complex was dedicated on September 24, 2012, in a small ceremony celebrating the first official start of the first fall practice.

Staff, students and media members were in attendance to celebrate Georgia State's newest sporting complex, which is located just off the Sports Arena.



The 12 members of the GSU inaugural sand volleyball team brought sand from their home courts and symbolically poured the foundation of the new program.

Sand from nine different states - Alaska, Florida, California, New Jersey, Arizona, Michigan, Ohio, Texas, and Georgia - was added to the sand in court No. 2.

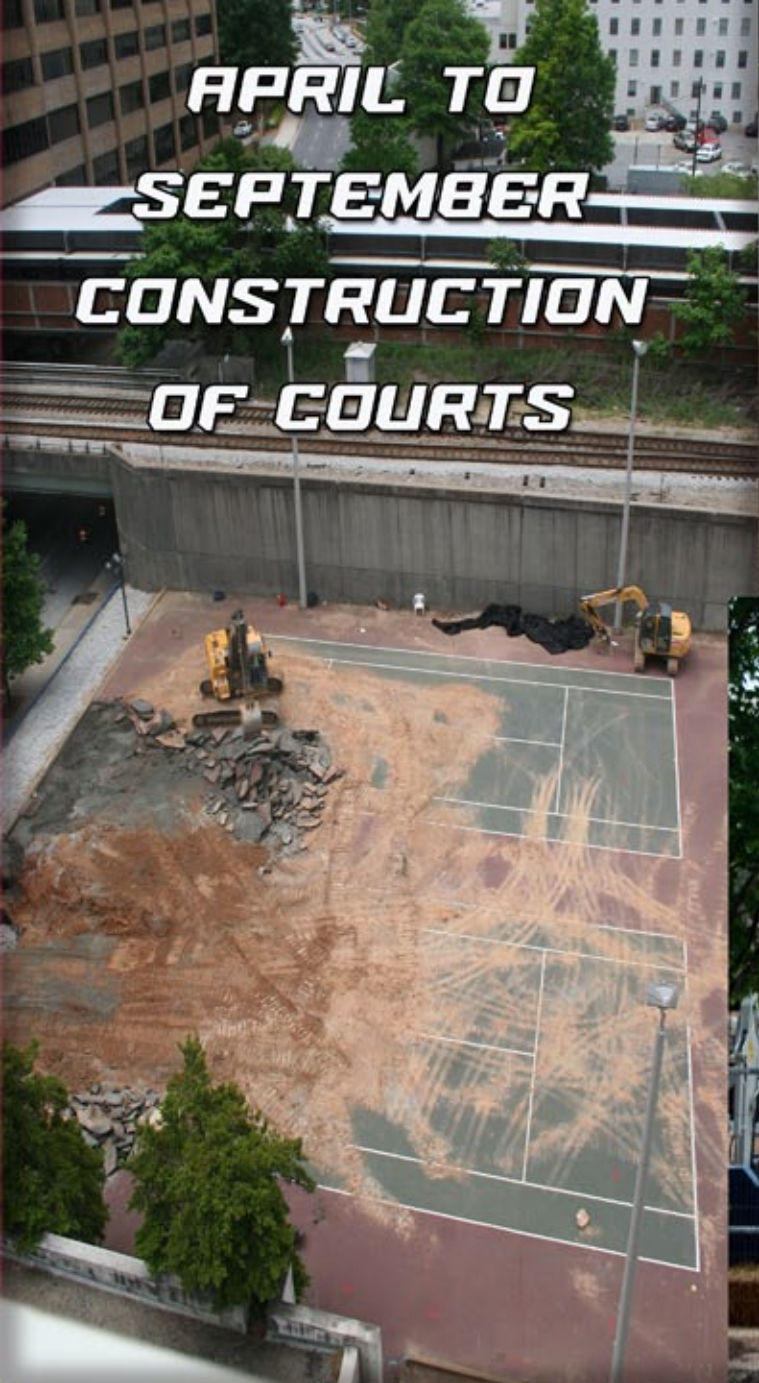


The first sand volleyball match to be played at the GSU Sand Volleyball Complex will be on March 12, 2013, against Mercer University.

The complex will also host the Georgia State Sand Invitational on April 6 & 7, 2013, with Florida State, Tulane and the University of Louisiana-Monroe.



# APRIL TO SEPTEMBER CONSTRUCTION OF COURTS





# No day at beach, but GSU digs in

Sand volleyball will help school meet Title IX guidelines.

By **Doug Roberson**  
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Georgia State is adding women's sand volleyball to its group of sports for the 2013 spring season.

The team is the first of at least two that will be added as part of the university's efforts to remain Title IX compliant after the addition of football.

It may seem like an odd mix, sand volleyball on an urban campus, but athletic director Cheryl Levick said the sport will add to the vibrancy of campus life for the student body.

"To have a year-round volleyball opportunity, we thought would be terrific," Levick said.

The addition has been in the works since shortly after Levick was hired in 2009. In deciding on sand volleyball, Levick said she factored in the students' interest, the regional interest, a team's ability to be successful and the bonus that it can be played on campus. Three outdoor courts will be constructed behind the GSU Sports Arena.

GSU will commission a student-body survey, which will be done this year, to aid in the process of deciding the next sport. Under consideration are lacrosse, crew, and stunts and tumbling. There is no timetable for that addition.

Fifteen teams play sand volleyball, according to the American Volleyball Coaches Association, with several more considering it for the 2011-12 season. Teams playing include Florida State, College of Charleston, Jacksonville, North Florida, UAB, Tulane, Mercer, Florida Atlantic and Florida International. Most of the remaining schools are on the West Coast. No teams in the Colonial Athletic Association play the sport.

The estimated start-up cost for the sand volleyball team is \$1.5 million. The student-fee increase that helps pay for

### Hit the ... sand

Sand volleyball will make its debut as an emerging NCAA women's sport in March. The NCAA refers to the sport as sand volleyball instead of beach so that land-locked schools will not be scared away. A few facts about the sport:

- Georgia State will join 15 other Division I schools that have announced they will create programs, and six of them are in Florida (Florida State, Florida Atlantic, FIU, Jacksonville, North Florida and Stetson). Others include USC, Long Beach State, Pepperdine, UC Santa Barbara, Hawaii, Tulane, Mercer, College of Charleston and Alabama-Birmingham.
- For sand volleyball to become a championship sport, there must be 40 schools or more competing for two straight years.
- The uniforms will be similar to what college women wear in track and field.
- The season will start in March and will include eight to 16 matches.
- A match is two of three sets. The first two sets are played to 21 points. The third, if needed, is to 15. All sets must be won by two points. All scoring is one point per rally.
- The game will be played outdoors, so weather conditions will play a factor in wins and losses.

Source: ESPN.com

the football team also helps pay for the volleyball team.

The team will have four scholarships that can be given to between 12 and 15 players.

Levick said there likely will be very little overlap in players on the court volleyball team also competing in sand volleyball.

Court volleyball coach Tami Audia also will coach the sand volleyball team. The team already has hired an assistant coach, Beth Van Fleet, who played court volleyball at Georgia State before playing beach volleyball professionally. She currently recruits in the Southeast, where numerous club teams play.



**GSU**

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**VOLLEYBALL**

**COMPLEX**









***EVERYTHING IS NEW***



## Getting Started

The 2012-13 season will mark the inaugural season for the Georgia State sand volleyball team. For Tami Audia, the head coach of both the indoor and sand volleyball team, this season has been long awaited.

“For the last two years, we have been excited for this season to come,” Audia said. “We’ve been growing this program and doing the little things that have tied it all together.

“Everyone is really excited for a Georgia State sand volleyball team. We’ve already garnered lots of interest and many people now know about Georgia State because of the new team.”

On September 27, 2011, Georgia State Director of Athletics Cheryl L. Levick announced that sand volleyball would be added as the 10th women’s sport in the Georgia State athletics family.

“It’s exciting to know that we’re on the forefront at Georgia State,” said Levick. “There was a strong

- *This will be GSU’s 10th female sport and the newest since 2010’s football program was started.*

- *The 12 student-athletes come to GSU from 9 states. Nine of the 12 are freshmen players.*

- *Sand Volleyball is match-play format with five doubles teams each competing for a point, so it takes 3 points to win. Wins and losses for the complete team as well as the individual doubles teams are kept and bids to the ACVA Nationals are given to school teams and individual doubles teams.*



*The members of the sand volleyball team pour sand from their hometowns onto Court No. 2 in the GSU Sand Volleyball Complex.*

interest to add another sport and sand volleyball is very popular. We want GSU to be one of the premier programs, and we’re working very hard behind the scenes every day to make that happen.”

At the same time, Audia was announced as the head coach of the sand volleyball team. Beth Van Fleet was then named the assistant volleyball coach after serving eight years on the AVP Tour.

“The opportunity to give back to the program that helped me play volleyball in college and start my volleyball career is something that is so special and near and dear to my heart,” Van Fleet said. “On top of that, to help build on the sports that are offered at Georgia State is absolutely a dream come true.”

The coaching staff then went to work putting together a team that would start Georgia State off on the right foot.

After the recruiting process was finished, the Panthers’ first crop of sand volleyball players totaled 12 young ladies from across the nation. Student-athletes from Ohio, California, Texas, Georgia, Alaska, Michigan, Arizona, Florida and New Jersey all signed on to play as Panthers for Audia and Van Fleet.

Nine of the signees are freshman and two are juniors, who transferred from other colleges. Lane Carico is the lone graduate student, who will serve her final year of eligibility after a decorated four-year indoor volleyball career at the University of Miami.

“We have young ladies who are dedicated in the classroom and to their workouts,” Audia said. “They have put themselves over the edge to be ready for the spring time. We have great leaders already and are playing polished sand volleyball.

“All the girls have played volleyball for a long time, and they have

done a good job learning how to play sand volleyball. We gave them an extensive playing regimen, and we have watched the players gel as partners. We are young, but we will be good for years to come.”

## **Gearing Up**

Georgia State was able to get a taste of action in the fall when it traveled to Tallahassee to take on Florida State in an exhibition.

The exhibition consisted of each GSU pair playing two sets against four FSU pairs. In the No. 1 match, the tandem of Lane Carico and Katie Madewell went undefeated on the day.

FSU finished the exhibition winning a total of 32 sets to GSU’s 16.

“Overall it was a pretty remarkable day,” Van Fleet said after the match. “To play as well as we did against last season’s No. 3 team was great.”

Audia was also pleased with the team’s performance, and took a lot away from the match.

“We got good insight into where we are with training and where we need to be,” she said. “Florida State is a good program and we are lucky to be so close to them. Our No. 1 team defeated their No. 1 team, which was exciting to see.

“They have all worked hard and gave us a good measuring stick. The girls have learned a lot and were very motivated at the end of the fall season to begin the spring season.”

## **Ready to Go**

Georgia State will meet Florida State twice in the spring season in both the Georgia State Sand Invitational and the Florida State University Tournament.

The Panthers will also travel to the College of Charleston Tournament, the Ron Jon Surf Shop Beach-n-Boards Festival in Cocoa Beach, the Florida International Tournament in South Beach and the Fiesta at Siesta Tournament in Siesta Key.

On March 6 & 7, Georgia State will host its first tournament, the Georgia State Sand Invitational. Florida State, Tulane and Louisiana-Monroe are scheduled to play in this event.

The Panthers also have two individual matches scheduled with Mercer in March and a road trip to Louisiana-Monroe in late April.

“The AVCA National Champion-

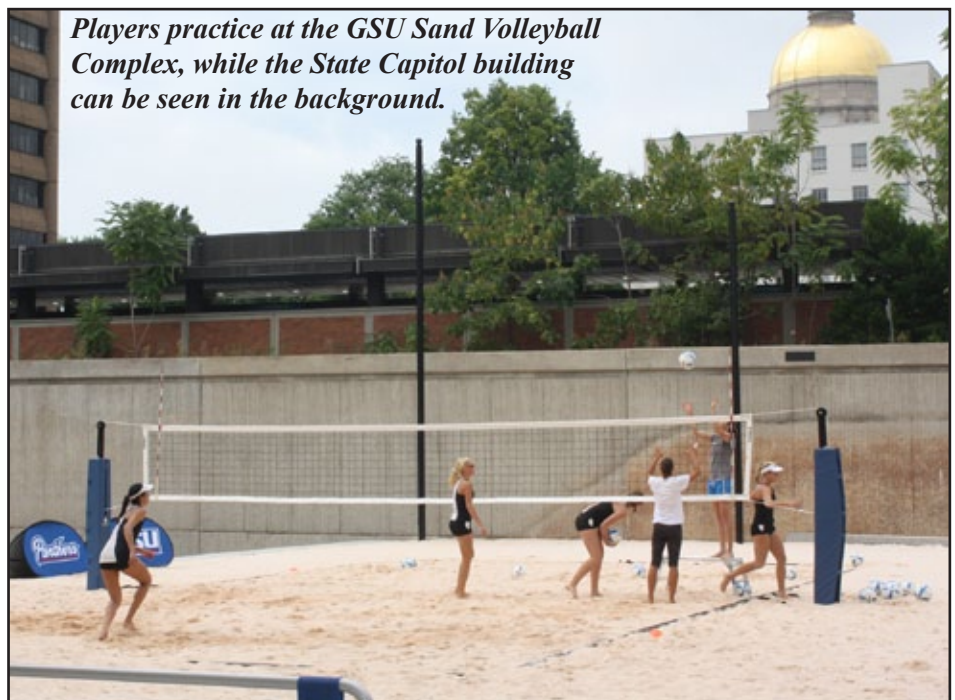
• *The Inaugural Home Game will be played on Tuesday, March 12 at 5 p.m. on the new courts behind the Arena.*

• *The Inaugural Home Tournament will be played on Basketball’s Final Four Weekend in Atlanta, April 6-7 with four teams.*

• *The AVCA has voted to return the May 3-5 National Championships to Gulf Shores, Ala. through 2015. Pepperdine won the first championship last year at Gulf Shores, defeated Long Beach State, with FSU and College of Charleston finishing third and fourth.*

ships are played at the end of the year, and its our goal to get there. We want to play the right people to get to that tournament,” Audia said. “We’re really excited to have the quality opponents that we have on our schedule, and I think we can contend well.

“We also have a beautiful facility here at Georgia State where we will host the inaugural match against Mercer on March 12 and a tournament in April. People are excited to watch us play here in Atlanta.”



*Players practice at the GSU Sand Volleyball Complex, while the State Capitol building can be seen in the background.*



No.	Name	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown (Prev. School)
1	Nikki Senopoulos	5-9	Fr.	Plansboro, N.J. (W. Windsor Plainsboro South)
2	Lane Carico	5-10	Gr.	Manhattan Beach, Calif. (Mira Costa/Miami)
3	Jansen Button	5-7	Fr.	Menifee, Calif. (Paloma Valley)
4	Karlee Kavanaugh	5-10	Fr.	Chugiak, Alaska (Chugiak)
5	Kaitlynn Hufstetler	5-6	Fr.	Canton, Ga. (Cherokee)
10	Alexis Townsend	5-7	Fr.	Houston, Texas (Dawson)
11	Milani Pickering	5-8	Fr.	Mesa, Ariz. (Mountainview)
12	Molly Smestad	5-10	Jr.	Austin, Texas (Northwest/Arkansas-Monticello)
14	Katelyn Rawls	5-11	Fr.	Wellington, Fla. (Wellington Community)
21	Alexis Elmurr	5-6	Fr.	Lewis Center, Ohio (Olentangy)
22	Sara Olivova	5-11	Fr.	Franklin, Mich. (Seaholm)
25	Katie Madewell	5-11	Jr.	Kettering, Ohio (Kettering Fairmont/Ohio St.)

By Class	By State	Alphabetical Roster
GRADUATE - 1	OHIO - 2	3 Jansen Button
JUNIOR - 2	CALIFORNIA - 2	2 Lane Carico
FRESHMAN - 9	TEXAS - 2	21 Alexis Elmurr
	GEORGIA - 1	5 Kaitlynn Hufstetler
	ALASKA - 1	4 Karlee Kavanaugh
	MICHIGAN - 1	25 Katie Madewell
	ARIZONA - 1	22 Sara Olivova
	FLORIDA - 1	11 Milani Pickering
	NEW JERSEY - 1	14 Katelyn Rawls
		1 Nikki Senopoulos
		12 Molly Smestad
		10 Alexis Townsend

## **ABOUT SAND VOLLEYBALL**

- Collegiate sand volleyball is an “emerging sport.” It has 10 years to gain the minimum 40 sponsoring institutions for two years in a row required to be considered an NCAA championship sport.
- There are currently 28 programs committed to playing sand volleyball this 2012-13 season. Five teams are considering playing this season, while 19 teams are considering adding the sport by the 2013-14 season.
- Players will not wear the “traditional” sand volleyball uniform of a bikini. The AVCA concept calls for a two-piece uniform- shorts or briefs and a top, or a one-piece.

## **THE RULES**

- Each team competition is called a “dual” and will consist of five matches of pairs. The winning team will need to win three matches in a best-of-five format. The separate matches will be conducted as best-of-three set competitions, with rally scoring to 21 in the first two sets and to 15 in the third. Teams must win by at least two points in all cases.
- Sand volleyball differs from indoor volleyball in ways other than the numbers of players. No open hand tipping is allowed. The block touch is allowed as the first of three allowable contacts. Coaches may only speak to players or give any feedback during time-outs or in between sets. Finally, to mitigate the impact of the sun and wind, the players switch sides of the court every seven points in a 21 point set and every five points in a 15 point set.
- The court is 8 x 16 meters, with 5 to 6 meters on each side for a free zone.

## **GAMEDAY IN ATLANTA**

- The GSU Sand Volleyball Complex is located on the southwest side of the Sports Arena, adjacent to Piedmont Avenue, 1/2 a block from the State Capitol.
- The complex is a short walk from the Georgia State MARTA station and is close to several parking decks.
- The complex features a beach-like setting, with three courts on different levels, wooden boardwalks, palm trees, lights and stone bleachers at each court.



TAMI AUDIA

Head Coach / 3rd Year

Pontiac, Illinois  
Xavier, 2001

Named head volleyball coach at Georgia State University on April 14, 2010, Tami Audia has guided the Panthers to immediate success in her three seasons at the helm.

She has led the Panthers to back-to-back winning seasons in conference play, the first time GSU has been above .500 in league action since joining the Colonial Athletic Association in 2005.

In 2011, Audia guided GSU to its first postseason appearance in six years as the Panthers finished tied for fourth in the 10-team CAA and claimed the fourth seed at the conference tournament.

The Panthers have defended their home court extremely well under Audia, going 16-7 over two years with an impressive 11-3 mark in CAA play.

“We talk about winning championships as our vision for Panther volleyball,” says Audia. “It’s something we don’t shy away from. We always talk about preparing for our conference tournament and ultimately preparing for the NCAA tournament.

We want to be one of the 64 teams left in the country that’s playing for a national championship. Every recruit that has committed sees that vision and wants to be a part of it.”

In 2011, the Panther court squad earned 14 victories and an 8-6 mark in the CAA for the second consecutive year. GSU claimed three straight wins on three separate occasions during the year and swept CAA finalist VCU Sep. 30.

Audia helped the senior pair of Vineece Verdun and Muki Kangwa become two of the most dominant scorers in the league and most prolific players in school history. Verdun was named the league’s Preseason Player of the Year and went on to earn first-team all-CAA honors for the second time in 2011 while Kangwa was named third-team all-CAA. The two ranked second and third in the league with over four points per set apiece. Kangwa finished second in school history with 1,361 attacks on the year and Verdun’s league-best .348 hitting percentage helped her to sixth place on the all-time school list.

The Panthers went on to secure the fourth seed in the CAA tournament, falling in the quarterfinal round.

In her first year as head coach in 2010, GSU went 14-14 overall and 8-6 in CAA play, finishing in sixth place after being picked preseason 10th. The eight CAA wins marked the most for GSU since 2005, its first year in the league. The Panthers were in contention for one of the four CAA Tournament spots up until the final weekend of the regular season.

Audia began her first year with a bang, winning her first three matches as head coach, as the Panthers claimed the GSU Invitational title. She became the first GSU coach since 1998 to start their career at 3-0. She also led GSU to its first 3-0 start in CAA play ever and its best conference start since 2003 when the Panthers were still in the Atlantic Sun.

She helped mentor senior Ashley Jones (3rd) and then redshirt-junior Verdun (1st) to All-CAA accolades at the end of the season. The first team selection was the first for GSU since 2005.

Audia is also the head coach of the GSU sand volleyball program, which is set to begin play in the spring of 2013.

Prior to arriving at GSU, Audia was the associate head coach and recruiting coordinator at the University of Maryland. In addition to two seasons at Maryland, Audia served as the assistant coach and recruiting coordinator for a highly-successful program at the University of Dayton, which earned four NCAA Tournament berths in her five years.

In five seasons at Dayton (2003-07), Audia helped head coach Tim Horsmon lead the Flyers to unprecedented success. The Flyers won the Atlantic 10 Conference Tournament and reached the NCAA Tournament four out of five years (2003, 2004, 2005 and 2007), the first conference titles and NCAA berths in school history.

In her final season, the Flyers were ranked as high as No. 12 in the nation in the CSTV/AVCA Coaches Poll before finishing with a 33-2 record.

Audia was part of a coaching staff that produced four consecutive A-10 Players of the Year (2003, 2004, 2005, 2006), back-to-back Atlantic 10 Setters of the Year (2005, 2006), two A-10 Rookies of the Year (2003, 2007), four A-10 Tournament Most Outstanding Players (2003, 2004, 2005, 2007), 16 all-conference performers and eight AVCA honorable mention All-Americans.

A former collegiate setter, Audia

worked directly with the Flyers' setters, tutoring 2005 A-10 Setter of the Year Nicole Schott and 2006 honoree Erin Schroeder, who also earned honorable mention all-America accolades.

At Dayton, Audia built a reputation as an outstanding recruiter, assembling three straight recruiting classes that were ranked among the nation's top 30 by PrepVolleyball.com. Her first full recruiting class at Dayton in 2004 was rated No. 28, followed by a No. 30 ranking in 2005 and then a No. 22 national ranking for the Flyers' 2006 class.

In 2008, Audia moved with Horsmon to Maryland, and she was promoted to associate head coach for the 2009 season.

Audia earned her bachelor's degree

in sport management from Xavier in 2001. She was a standout setter for the Musketeers, earning All-Atlantic 10 Conference honors as a senior, when she ranked seventh in the nation in assists per game. The two-time team captain led Xavier to an average of nearly 20 wins per season in her four-year career.

Audia began her coaching career in 2001 with the 14 Open team at the Cincinnati Mizuno Classics. She then coached the Delaware (Ohio) High School team in 2002.

Audia is a native of Pontiac, Ill., and was inducted into the Pontiac Township High School Athletics Hall of Fame as part of the class of 2009-10 in May 2010. She currently resides in Atlanta.





**BETH VAN FLEET**

**Assistant Coach, 3rd Year**

**Tampa, Florida  
Georgia State, 1999**

Longtime sand volleyball professional Beth Van Fleet has been named assistant coach for the brand-new sand program at her alma mater, Georgia State.

Van Fleet spent eight seasons (2003-10) with the Association for Volleyball Professionals, competing in over 80 career sand tournaments and representing the United States abroad. She is well-known throughout the sport and has worked with some of the top athletes and coaches in the game. She earned five top-10 finishes during her pro career and medaled during NORCECA competition in Mexico and Guatemala City.

Based in San Diego, Calif. for much of her professional career, Van Fleet was also the west coast director for Team VolleyChick, a company that hosted clinics and tournaments for players of all ages.

Van Fleet spent her off-seasons working in the marketing industry, creating and executing direct-mail and e-mail campaigns.

Currently earning her master's degree in sports administration at GSU, Van Fleet has aided coach Tami Audia's court volleyball staff for the last two seasons. As a graduate assistant in 2010, she worked with the team during practice, scouted opponents and offered match analysis. In 2011, she recruited full-time for sand volleyball.

During her collegiate court career in the Panther uniform, Van Fleet piled up 1,177 kills from 1995-98, the fourth-most in school history. She became one of the first players in GSU history to amass both 1,000 kills and 1,000 digs, earning second-team all-conference honors her junior and senior seasons. Van Fleet helped lead the Panthers (then in the Trans America Athletic Conference) to two regular season conference championships, three winning seasons and 69 victories in four years.

Van Fleet, 35, was also an all-conference academic selection all four seasons, graduating in 1999 with a 3.79 GPA in marketing.

While in college, Van Fleet worked as a head club coach in the metro-Atlanta area, helping prep athletes succeed on the court and earn collegiate scholarships. A native of Tampa, Fla., Van Fleet currently resides in Atlanta.

#2



LANE CARICO

Graduate | 5-10

Manhattan Beach, Calif.  
Mira Coasta/Miami

**Miami (Fla.):** Named both the Atlantic Coast Conference Player of the Year and the league’s Scholar-Athlete of the Year in 2011 ... One of 10 national finalists for the Lowe’s Senior CLASS Award ... Twice named an AVA All-American and posted over four points per set in leading the Hurricanes to the second round of the NCAA tournament and a 26-5 record in 2011 ... Previously competed as an amateur in AVP Beach qualifying events in high school and in international competition in Poland.

She has one season of eligibility on the sand for Georgia State.



**Prep:** Led Mira Costa High School to a perfect 37-0 record and to the school’s fourth-straight state championship in 2007 ... As team captain at Mira Costa, Carico was named MVP of the Santa Barbara Tournament of Champions ... First Team Daily Breeze and CIF SS ... Was also named to the Durango Classic All-Tournament Team ... Ranked as the 66th top senior nationally by Prepvolleyball.com ... Helped lead Mira Costa to a record of 37-1 her junior season ... Won a state championship three straight years at Mira Costa ... Also represented the United States at the Under-19 FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships in Poland ... Played for TCA in club league ... Named to the 2007 Junior Olympics 17 and under Open Division All-Tournament team ... Led TCA to a title at the 2008 Junior Olympics (open).

**Personal:** Daughter of Chris and Keli Carico ... Also has a brother, Weston ... Also has an older sister, Taylor, who played at the University of Southern California (2006-08), and finished her senior season playing at the University of Minnesota (2009).



#25



Katie MADEWELL

Junior | 5-11

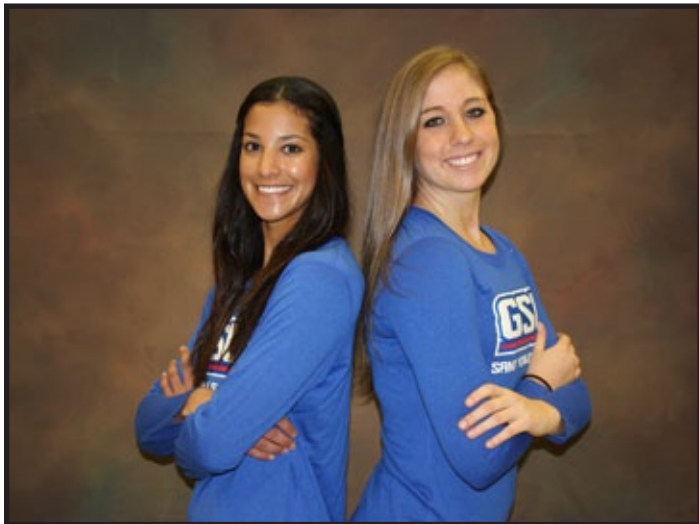
Kettering, Ohio  
Kettering Fairmont/Ohio St.

**2011-12 (Ohio State):** Transferred to Ohio State where she played volleyball at the club level ... Led the OSU indoor club team to a second place finish at the NCVF national tournament in 2012.

**2010 (Findlay):** Played one season at the University of Findlay.

**Prep:** First team All-Area selection while at Kettering Fairmont High School in Kettering, Ohio ... Set a career-best 24 aces in a single match, which was one shy of a state record ... Member of the Cincinnati Classics Red club team ... Began playing sand volleyball at age 17 ... Has won three open level womens' club doubles tournaments ... Took first place in the inaugural Ohio Valley Regional sand volleyball tournament held in Cincinnati, Ohio ... Has played in over 20 sand tournaments throughout the Great Lakes area throughout her career.

**Personal:** Katie Madewell was born February 21, 1991, in Kettering, Ohio ... Parents are David and Susan Madewell ... Has two brothers, Nick and Chris, and one sister, Melissa ... Sociology major.



#12



Molly SMESTAD

Junior | 5-10

Austin, Texas  
Northwest/Ark.-Monticello

**2010-2012 (U. of Arkansas @ Monticello):** Played two seasons at the University of Arkansas at Monticello ... Recorded a personal best 17 digs in one game ... On multiple occasions had three service aces in one game.

**Prep:** Two-year letterwinner at Northwest High School in Justin, Texas ... Was Bi-District champion in 2008 and 2009 ... Placed fifth in club sand volleyball at the Jr. Beach Nationals in 2008 and 2009 in 18U division ... Academic All-District in 2010... Was a member of the 692Beach VB (sand volleyball) and 900VB (indoor volleyball) club teams.

**Personal:** Molly Smestad was born on October 28, 1991, in North Richland Hills, Texas ... Parents are Sam and Julie Smestad ... Has one brother, Tyler ... Sociology major.



#3



Jansen BUTTON

Freshman | 5-7

Menifee, California  
Paloma Valley

**Prep:** Four-year letter winner at Paloma Valley High School where she earned numerous awards and accolades ... 2008 Honorable Mention All-Sunbelt League and Second Team All-Sunbelt League in 2009 ... First All-Sunbelt League 2010 and 2011 ... Set a school record of 530 varsity career digs at Paloma Valley High School and set a new record for most varsity career games played with 237 ... Broke the dig record with 13 digs in a single set against Hemet High School in 2011, finishing the match with 27 total digs ... Named MVP senior year ... Played sand club with 692 West, and also played for the USA Travel Performance Team ... Member of the National Honor Society junior and senior years ... Part of the Scholastic Honor Society and a Seal Bearer sophomore, junior and senior years

**Personal:** Jansen Button was born on December 20, 1993, in Hemet, Calif. ... Parents are Joel and Lynne Button ... Has two sisters, Jordan and Jenna .... Jenna played softball University of Mary - North Dakota ... Nursing major.



#21



Alexis ELMURR

Freshman | 5-6

Lewis Center, Ohio  
Olentangy

**Prep:** Elmurr played three varsity seasons at Olentangy High School in Lewis Center, Ohio, where she earned three scholar athlete awards ... Began playing sand volleyball in summer before junior year ... Played in the Buckeye Sand Volleyball Club ... Attended national championship in Chicago ... Member of show choir for three years ... Won National Choral Award, the highest honor ... AP Scholar in 2012 ... Graduated Summa Cum Laude ... Enjoys reading and writing in her spare time.

**Personal:** Alexis Elmurr was born on July 15, 1994, in Hattiesburg, Miss. ... Parents are Johnny and Michele Elmurr... Has two brothers, Victor and Jimmy, who both play football ... English major.



#5



Kaitlynn HUFSTETLER

Freshman | 5-6

Canton, Ga.  
Cherokee

**Prep:** Member of the Cherokee High School Volleyball Team ... 4-year letter winner ... Named 2nd All-County Team by the Cherokee Tribune ... Played setter and on the right side ... Member of the North Atlanta Volleyball Club for indoor volleyball and Triple Crown Volleyball for sand volleyball ... First sand volleyball recruit for GSU from the state of Georgia

**Personal:** Kaitlynn Hufstetler was born on March 12, 1994, in Canton, Georgia ... Parents are Eugene and Angela Hufstetler ... Has three siblings, Cheyenne, Alex and Nicole ... Communications major.



#4



Karlee KAVANAUGH

Freshman | 5-10

Chugiak, Alaska  
Chugiak

**Prep:** A First Team All-State selection at Chugiak High School in Chugiak, Alaska ... Earned a First Team All-Conference and a Spiketacular All-Tournament team nod in 2011 ... Team captain in 2011... Helped Chugiak High School to a fourth place finish at the Alaska 4A state tournament in 2011 as well as a third place finish in 2009 ... Placed second in the Alaska State Beach Volleyball Open Championships in 2011 and was selected to participate in the 2011 USAV HP Beach Championship ... In 2010, participated in the beach volleyball bilateral exchange in Russia.

**Personal:** Karlee Kavanaugh was born on May 5, 1994, in Anchorage, Alaska ... Parents are Kelly Kavanaugh and Donna Pircher ... Has a sister, Kasey, who plays indoor volleyball at East Carolina University ... Communications major.



#22



Sara OLIVOVA

Freshman | 5-11

Franklin, Michigan  
Seaholm



**Prep:** Attended Seaholm High School in Birmingham, Mich. ... In 2010 was named All-League, All-District and All-Region ... All-State Honorable Mention as an outside hitter in 2010 ... Member of Instant Replay Volleyball Club ... Began volleyball in 8th grade in Czech Republic ... Also an accomplished skier ... Member of several groups and clubs, attended competitions ... Moved to metro Detroit freshman year of high school and knew very little English.

**Personal:** Sara Olivova was born on May 22, 1993, in Ostrava, Czech Republic ... Parents are Daniel Oliva and Jana Andrys ... Stepfather was a captain of the Czech Junior National Team and mother was professional track runner and a member of the Czech National Team ... Exercise Science major.



#11



Milani PICKERING

Freshman | 5-8

Mesa, Arizona  
Mountainview

**Prep:** Qualified for the 2011 USAV Beach Championship and placed fifth at the USA Beach High Performance Championship tournament ... Selected for the USA Beach Bilateral Exchange in Russia and was a team captain 2008 ... Led Mountainview High School to the state playoffs with a perfect 12-0 record and first place in the Bronze Nike Tournament in 2011 ... Was also named the track and field sprinter of the year her sophomore season.

**Personal:** Milani Pickering was born on February 23, 1994, in Mesa, Ariz. ... Parents are Ronnie Pickering and Julie Millhollon ... Has one brother, Tito, a former Jr. National Olympic rower ... Exercise Science/Kinesiology major.



#14



Katelyn RAWLS

Freshman | 5-11

Wellington, Florida  
Wellington Community

**Prep:** Attended Wellington High School in Wellington, Fla. ... Was a four-year letter-winner...Made 1st Team All-County in 2010 ... Named 2nd Team All-County in 2009, 2010 ... Named the Top Athlete to Watch in the county in 2009, 2010 and 2011 ... AAU All-Star in 2008, 2009 and 2011 ... Awarded Athlete of the Week in 2011 ... Has single game career-high of 23 kills, 19 digs and 10 blocks ... Team went 23-1 in 2011 and was district champion ... Team was district runner-ups in 2009 and 2010 ... Also played varsity basketball ... Member of Ocean Breeze Volleyball club team.

**Personal:** Katelyn Rawls was born on January 14, 1994, in West Palm Beach, Fla. ... Parents are Michael and Louanne Rawls ... Has one sister, Ashley ... Exercise Science major.



#1



Nikki SENOPOULOS

Freshman | 5-9

Plainsboro, New Jersey  
W. Windsor Plainsboro South

**Prep:** Three-year letter winner at West Windsor-Plainsboro High School South where she earned a Most Improved Player award in 2010 ... Three-sport athlete in high school participating in volleyball, track, and basketball ... New Jersey state high school finalist in 2010 and 2011 ... Played club volleyball with the West Windsor Volleyball Club where she earned the coaches' award in 2010 and the team MVP in 2011 ... Member of the National Honors Society, Math Honors Society, and the German Honor Society.

**Personal:** Nikki Senopoulos was born on June 7, 1994, in Alexandria, Va. ... Parents are Harry and Donna Senopoulos ... Has one brother, Harry ... Business major.



#10



Alexis TOWNSEND

Freshman | 5-7

Houston, Texas  
Dawson



**Prep:** Played club sand volleyball with the Absolute Volleyball Academy of Texas and played indoor volleyball at Dawson High School ... First member of the Absolute Volleyball Academy of Texas to sign a letter of intent to play sand volleyball at the collegiate level ... Named an AAU Player to Watch in 2009 and an AAU Top-100 Athlete during the 2010-11 season ... Earned a Second Team All-District nod her sophomore and junior seasons at Dawson High School ... Led team as libero at junior nationals in senior year ... Began playing indoor volleyball in 7th grade and sand volleyball senior year ... Earned an academic award for having a 3.5 or higher GPA ... Member of Christ on Campus sophomore and junior years ... Attended three high schools in four years

**Personal:** Alexis Townsend was born October 8, 1993, in Bryan, Texas ... Parents are Carl Townsend and Trisha Simon ... Has three siblings, Slay, Gioia, and Akim ... Aunt played indoor volleyball at Texas State University ... Journalism major.



# 2013 Opponents

## Alabama-Birmingham

**Location:** Birmingham, Ala.  
**Nickname:** Blazers  
**Conference:** Conference-USA  
**Head Coach:** Hal Messersmith  
**2012 Record:** N/A  
**SID:** Tray Littlefield  
**Website:** UABSports.com



## College of Charleston

**Location:** Charleston, S.C.  
**Nickname:** Cougars  
**Conference:** Southern  
**Head Coach:** Jason Kepner  
**2012 Record:** N/A  
**SID:** Will Bryan  
**Website:** CofCsports.com



## Florida Atlantic

**Location:** Boca Raton, Fla.  
**Nickname:** Owls  
**Conference:** Sun Belt  
**Head Coach:** TBA  
**2012 Record:** N/A  
**SID:** Justin Johnson  
**Website:** fausports.com



## Florida Gulf Coast

**Location:** University Park, Fla.  
**Nickname:** Eagles  
**Conference:** A-Sun  
**Head Coach:** Dave Nichols  
**2012 Record:** 6-5  
**SID:** Michael Hill II  
**Website:** fgcuathletics.com



## Florida International

**Location:** Fort Meyers, Fla.  
**Nickname:** Golden Panthers  
**Conference:** Sun Belt  
**Head Coach:** Rita Buck-Crockett  
**2012 Record:** N/A  
**SID:** Maegan Azpiazu  
**Website:** fuisports.com



## Florida State

**Location:** Tallahassee, Fla.  
**Nickname:** Seminoles  
**Conference:** ACC  
**Head Coach:** Danalee Corso  
**2012 Record:** 15-1  
**SID:** Zach Stipe  
**Website:** Seminoles.com



## Jacksonville

**Location:** Jacksonville, Fla.  
**Nickname:** Dolphins  
**Conference:** A-Sun  
**Head Coach:** Michelle Collier  
**2012 Record:** 1-4  
**SID:** Brian DeLette  
**Website:** JUDolphins.com



## Louisiana-Monroe

**Location:** Monroe, La.  
**Nickname:** Warhawks  
**Conference:** Sun Belt  
**Head Coach:** David Fischer  
**2012 Record:** N/A  
**SID:** Tom Ritter  
**Website:** ULMWarhawks.com



## Mercer

**Location:** Macon, Ga.  
**Nickname:** Bears  
**Conference:** A-Sun  
**Head Coach:** Damian Elder  
**2012 Record:** 1-9  
**SID:** Andy Stabell  
**Website:** MercerBears.com



## Pepperdine

**Location:** Malibu, Calif.  
**Nickname:** Waves  
**Conference:** West Coast  
**Head Coach:** Nina Matthies  
**2012 Record:** 17-0  
**SID:** Dena Mieste  
**Website:** PepperdineSports.com



## Stetson

**Location:** DeLand, Fla.  
**Nickname:** Hatters  
**Conference:** A-Sun  
**Head Coach:** Tim Loesch  
**2012 Record:** 9-8  
**SID:** Jamie Bataille  
**Website:** GoHatters.com



## Tulane

**Location:** New Orleans, La.  
**Nickname:** Green Wave  
**Conference:** Conference USA  
**Head Coach:** Alan Segal  
**2012 Record:** 1-10  
**SID:** Richie Weaver  
**Website:** TulaneGreenWave.com



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*#3 Jansen Button*



*#4 Lane Carico*



*#21 Alexis Elmurr*



*#5 Kaitlynn Hufstetler*



*#4 Karlee Kavanaugh*



*#25 Katie Madewell*



*#22 Sara Olivova*



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*Head Coach  
Tami Audia*



*Asst. Coach  
Beth Van Fleet*

