

FLORIDA STATE

BEACH VOLLEYBALL

2018 SEASON

Overall Record	0-0
Home Record	0-0
Away Record	0-0
Neutral Record	0-0
CCSA Record	0-0

2018 SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY

23	FAU* ¹	4 / 16	11:30 am
23	South Carolina* ¹	4 / 8	3:30 pm
24	Georgia State* ¹	4 / 12	11:30 am
24	Stetson ¹	4 / 15	3:30 pm

MARCH

2	St. Petersburg College ²	- / -	12:30 pm
2	St. Petersburg College ²	- / -	4:30 pm
3	College of Charleston* ²	- / -	10:30 pm
3	Stetson ²	- / -	4:30 pm
10	Pepperdine ³	- / -	9:30 am (PST)
10	Hawaii ³	- / -	1:30 pm (PST)
11	UCLA ³	- / -	11:00 am (PST)
11	USC ³	- / -	4:00 pm (PST)
14	at Pepperdine	- / -	1:00 pm (PST)
15	at Loyola Marymount	- / -	2:30 (PST)
15	at Long Beach State	- / -	4:00 pm (PST)
17	Houston Baptist ⁴	- / -	10:00 am
17	Jacksonville ⁴	- / -	4:00 pm
24	Garnet and Gold Scrimmage		12:00 pm
30	TCU ⁵	- / -	11:50 am
30	UCLA ⁵	- / -	4:50 pm
31	Grand Canyon ⁵	- / -	11:50 am
31	FIU* ⁵	- / -	4:50 pm

APRIL

6	FAU* ⁶	- / -	10:00 am
6	UNC Wilmington* ⁶	- / -	1:00 pm
6	TCU ⁶	- / -	6:00 pm
7	UAB* ⁶	- / -	11:30 am
7	Georgia State* ⁶	- / -	3:45 pm
14	Georgia State* ⁷	- / -	12:00 pm
14	Jacksonville State ⁷	- / -	3:00 pm
15	LSU* ⁷	- / -	11:00 am
15	New Orleans ⁷	- / -	1:00 pm
20-22	CCSA Championships		

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4-6	NCAA Tournament
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* Conference Opponent

- 1 Stetson Spring Fling (DeLand, Fla.)
- 2 Hampton Inn Capitol-University Invitational (Tallahassee, Fla.)
- 3 East Meets West Challenge (Manhattan Beach, Calif.)
- 4 Hickory Point Lake Bash (Tavares, Fla.)
- 5 FIU's Surf & Turf Invitational (Miami, Fla.)
- 6 Seminole Beach Battle (Tallahassee, Fla.)
- 7 LSU's Battle on the Bayou (Baton Rouge, La.)

STETSON SPRING FLING

Feb. 23-24 • DeLand, Fla. • Cooper Beach Volleyball Courts



FLORIDA ATLANTIC OWLS

20-11 Overall, 3-5 CCSA (2017)
Head Coach: Capri Grotowski (fourth season)

Friday, Feb. 23 • 11:30 am



SOUTH CAROLINA GAMECOCKS

23-11 Overall, 11-5 CCSA (2017)
Head Coach: Moritz Moritz (fifth season)

Friday, Feb. 23 • 3:30 pm



GEORGIA STATE PANTHERS

21-14 Overall, 6-5 CCSA (2017)
Head Coach: Beth Van Fleet (fifth season)

Saturday, Feb. 24 • 11:30 am



STETSON HATTERS

20-13 Overall, 10-0 ASUN (2017)
Head Coach: Kristina Hernandez (fifth season)

Saturday, Feb. 24 • 3:30 pm

- » Florida State starts off the 2018 season at the Stetson Spring Fling in DeLand, Fla., facing the hosting Hatters and three conference opponents.
- » The Seminoles open the season ranked No. 4 in the AVCA Coaches Poll.
- » FSU holds a combined 29-1 record over the four teams it will see over the weekend, with its only loss coming to Georgia State in 2015.
- » The Seminoles took home its second consecutive CCSA Championship title and went undefeated in conference play last season.
- » Florida State is one of just two programs in the nation (along with Pepperdine) to have played in every AVCA Championship (2012-15) and NCAA Championship (2016-17).
- » FSU holds a 126-27 (.824) all-time record.

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QUICK FACTS

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Location..... Tallahassee, FL
 Symbol..... Seminoles
 Colors..... Garnet and Gold
 Enrollment..... 40,830
 President..... John Thrasher
 Vice President / Athletic Director..... Stan Wilcox
 Sr. Asso. AD (Senior Women's Admin.)..... Vanessa Fuchs
 Conference..... Coastal Collegiate Sports Association
 National Affiliation (Division)..... Division I

BEACH VOLLEYBALL INFORMATION

Head Coach..... Brooke Niles (Third Season)
 Alma Mater..... UC Santa Barbara (2003)
 Record at Florida State..... 61-12
 Career Coaching Record..... 61-12
 Assistant Coach..... Raul Papaleo (Second Season)
 Volunteer Coach..... Nick Lucena (First Season)
 Beach VB Office Phone Number..... 850.644.3003
 Home Courts/Capacity..... Seminole Beach Volleyball Courts/150
 2017 Overall Record..... 29-9
 2017 NCAA Championships (Gulf Shores, Ala.)..... 2-2 - 4th
 Letterwinners Returning/Lost..... 14/3
 Newcomers..... 7
 All-Time School Record (Yrs/Pct.)..... 126-27 (5/.824)
 All-Time NCAA Record (Yrs/Pct.)..... 61-12(2/.836)

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2018 ROSTER

No.	Name	Ht	Yr	Hometown / High School / Last School
1	Macy Jerger	6-1	Jr.	Fort Myers, Fla. / Fort Myers
2	Eva Torruella	6-0	R-So.	San Juan, Puerto Rico / Saint Johns
4	Devan Hultquist	5-6	R-So.	Tallahassee, Fla. / Chiles
5	Lauren Anderson	6-0	Gr.	Peoria, Ariz. / Liberty / Utah State
10	Ali Eager	5-11	Jr.	Southlake, Texas / Liberty Christian
12	Vanessa Freire	5-10	Sr.	Windermere, Fla. / Lake Highland Prep
14	Marielle Diaz	5-6	Fr.	Boca Raton, Fla. / Calvary Christian Acad.
15	Alaina Chacon	5-6	Fr.	Crown Point, Ind. / Crown Point
20	Brooke Kuhlman	5-10	Jr.	Naples, Fla. / Barron Collier
21	Molly McBain	5-9	So.	Toronto, Ont. / Malvern Collegiate Inst.
24	Nikki Esposito	5-10	Jr.	Deerfield Beach, Fla. / Pompano Beach
25	Tory Paranagua	5-11	Sr.	Austin, Texas / Anderson
30	Sara Putt	5-11	R-So.	Jupiter, Fla. / Jupiter / Stetson
31	Ashley Robert	5-5	Fr.	McKinney, Texas / McKinney
32	Francesca Goncalves	5-10	So.	Dallas, Texas / Bishop Lynch
33	Madison Fitzpatrick	5-9	Fr.	Tallahassee, Fla. / Lincoln
34	Hailey Luke	6-0	R-Sr.	Altamonte Springs, Fla. / Lake Brantley
35	Katie Horton	6-1	R-Sr.	Westland, Mich. / Wayne Memorial
40	Breana Edwards	6-3	R-Jr.	Jacksonville, Fla. / Bishop Kenny
41	Avery Poppinga	5-11	Fr.	Austin, Texas / St. Stephen's Episcopal
42	Bailey Reardon	5-11	Fr.	Milton, Ga. / Milton

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Brooke Niles (3rd Season)..... UC Santa Barbara (2003)
 Overall/FSU Record..... 61-12
Assistant Coach: Raul Papaleo (2nd Season)..... Indiana University-Purdue University at Fort Wayne (1999)
Volunteer Assistant Coach: Nick Lucena (1st Season)..... Florida State (2003)
Director of Operations: Shawn Matthews (1st Season)..... Abilene Christian University (2004)

PRONUNCIATIONS

#2	Eva Torruella	Ay-vah Tore-oooh-ay-uh
#10	Ali Eager	E-grr
#12	Vanessa Freire	Fray-TEE
#15	Alaina Chacon	Uh-LAY-nuh Shah-CONE
#20	Brooke Kuhlman	COAL-muhn
#25	Tory Paranagua	Pair-uh-NAH-guah
#32	Francesca Goncalves	Fran-CHESS-kah Gone-CALL-vess
	Raul Papaleo	Rah-uhl Papa-lay-oh
	Nick Lucena	Loo-SEN-uh

MATCH #1: NO. 16 FLORIDA ATLANTIC

SCOUTING THE OWLS

- » FAU enters its fourth season under head coach Capri Grotowski in 2018.
- » Grotowski led the Owls to a program-high 21 wins last season, including an 18-match win streak.
- » The team advanced to the semifinals of the 2017 CCSA Tournament before being knocked out by the Seminoles in FSU's path to the championship title.
- » Grotowski added six freshmen to the 2018 squad after losing four letterwinners, including a member of the Owls' winningest duo in 2017 – Megan Rice.
- » The most prominent newcomers to the team are freshman Johannah Cummines and junior transfer Amanda Silva.

SERIES RECORD

- » Florida State holds a 6-0 all-time record over the Owls.
- » The Seminoles have two home wins against the Owls and four neutral site wins, including one in DeLand (April 6, 2012).
- » The last time the two teams met, Florida State knocked Florida Atlantic out of the CCSA Tournament in the semifinals last season.

MATCH #2: NO. 8 SOUTH CAROLINA

SCOUTING THE GAMECOCKS

- » South Carolina enters its fifth season under head coach Moritz Moritz.
- » Last season, the Gamecocks earned a program-record 23 wins and made its first appearance at the NCAA Tournament. The Seminoles knocked the Gamecocks out of both the CCSA Tournament and the NCAA Championship in 2017.
- » Moritz brought on nine new members for the 2018 season, including five freshmen and three graduate transfers – Clemson's Leah Perri, Duke's Cadie Bates and Creighton's All-American setter Lydia Dimke.
- » The Gamecocks return 13 letterwinners in 2018.

SERIES RECORD

- » Florida State is undefeated against South Carolina, with the 10-0 record standing as the best FSU holds against any other team.
- » The two teams have met four times in the postseason, with FSU defeating South Carolina three times in the CCSA Championships (twice in 2016, once in 2017) and once in the NCAA Championship in 2017.

NOLES vs. OWLS

FLORIDA ATLANTIC 6-0

Home 2-0 • Away 0-0 • Neutral 4-0

4/6/12 - N (at DeLand, Fla.)	W, 5-0
4/21/12 - H	W, 5-0
4/10/15 - N (at Siesta Key, Fla.)	W, 4-1
4/10/16 - N (at Siesta Key, Fla.)	W, 5-0
4/7/17 - H	W, 5-0
4/22/17 - N (Emerson, Ga. CCSA).....	W, 4-1

ROSTER BREAKDOWN:

- 6 Freshmen
- 4 Sophomores
- 6 Juniors
- 3 Seniors
- 1 Graduate
- 13 Returners
- 7 Newcomers

NOLES vs. GAMECOCKS

SOUTH CAROLINA 10-0

Home 2-0 • Away 2-0 • Neutral 6-0

3/29/14 - H	W, 5-0
4/5/14 - N (at Mt. Pleasant, S.C.)....	W, 5-0
3/21/15 - A	W, 4-1
3/4/16 - N (at Tempe, Ariz.)	W, 5-0
4/22/16 - N (at Emerson, Ga.).....	W, 5-0
4/24/16 - N (at Emerson, Ga.).....	W, 5-0
3/26/17 - A	W, 4-1
4/8/17 - H	W, 5-0
4/22/17 - N (Emerson, Ga.).....	W, 3-2
5/6/17 - N (Gulf Shores, Ala. - NCAA)...	W, 3-0

ROSTER BREAKDOWN:

- 5 Freshmen
- 7 Sophomores
- 1 Redshirt Sophomore
- 3 Juniors
- 2 Seniors
- 4 Graduates
- 13 Returners
- 9 Newcomers

MATCH #3: NO. 12 GEORGIA STATE

SCOUTING THE PANTHERS

- » Georgia State enters the 2018 season after coming off of its second consecutive twenty-win season, going 21-14 overall and 6-5 in conference play in 2017.
- » The Panthers enter their fifth year under head coach Beth Van Fleet this season.
- » Georgia State's incoming freshman class includes an AVCA Beach High School All-American Honorable Mention (Hawes) and a U18 ROX National Champion (Bauchert).
- » Van Fleet brought on eight newcomers to the 2018 squad (five freshmen and three graduates).

SERIES RECORD

- » Florida State holds a 5-1 all-time record over Georgia State.
- » FSU's loss to the Panthers in 2015 is the only loss the Seminoles have to any team in the 2018 Stetson Spring Fling.
- » The two teams have only met once in the postseason, when FSU took down Georgia State in the 2016 CCSA Championship match to win its first conference title.

MATCH #4: NO. 15 STETSON

SCOUTING THE HATTERS

- » Stetson enters its fifth year with head coach Kristina Hernandez.
- » The team earned its third ASUN Beach Volleyball Championship in four years in 2017 after going 10-0 in conference play.
- » Stetson received an at-large berth to the NCAA Championship in 2016, but did not go to the tournament in 2017.
- » The team graduated three seniors in 2017, including Tiffany Creamer, who transferred to Georgia State for the 2018 season.
- » The Hatters have no seniors on their 2018 squad, but brought on two transfers with the addition of Sammee Thomas from Long Beach State and Katinka Krahn from the University of British Columbia Okanagan's indoor program.

SERIES RECORD

- » Florida State holds an 8-0 all-time record over Stetson.
- » The Seminoles have taken down the Hatters four times in DeLand, sweeping them twice.
- » The two teams have met twice in the postseason, where the Seminoles swept the Hatters in the 2014 AVCA Championships and once in the 2016 NCAA Championships.

NOLES vs. PANTHERS

GEORGIA STATE 5-1

Home 1-0 • Away 1-0 • Neutral 3-1

4/6/13 - A	W, 4-1
4/6/14 - N (at Mt. Pleasant, S.C.).....	W, 4-1
3/22/15 - N (at Columbia, S.C.)	L, 2-3
4/15/16 - H.....	W, 3-2
4/24/16 - N (at Emerson, Ga.).....	W, 3-0
3/25/17 - N (Columbia, S.C.).....	W, 3-2

ROSTER BREAKDOWN:

- 5 Freshmen
- 4 Sophomores
- 2 Juniors
- 2 Seniors
- 3 Graduates
- 9 Returners
- 8 Newcomers

NOLES vs. HATTERS

STETSON 8-0

Home 1-0 • Away 4-0 • Neutral 3-0

3/8/12 - A	W, 5-0
3/21/12 - H	W, 5-0
4/6/12 - A	W, 5-0
3/30/13 - N (at Jacksonville, Fla.) ..	W, 5-0
5/3/14 - N (at Gulf Shores, Ala. - AVCA)...	W, 5-0
3/7/15 - A	W, 3-2
5/6/16 - N (at Gulf Shores, Ala. - NCAA) ..	W, 3-0
3/26/17 - A	W, 4-1

ROSTER BREAKDOWN:

- 3 Freshmen
- 6 Sophomores
- 7 Juniors
- 11 Returners
- 5 Newcomers

AVCA TOP 20 COACHES POLL

PRESEASON POLL • FEBRUARY 19, 2018

No.	School	2017 Rec.	Prev Rk
1	Southern California*	38-1	1
2	Pepperdine*	27-5	2
3	UCLA*	30-6	5
➔ 4	Florida State	29-9	4
5	Hawaii*	29-7	3
6	LSU*	27-8	6
7	Long Beach State*	26-10	7
8	South Carolina*	23-11	8
9	Arizona	17-10	9
10	Grand Canyon*	17-9	12
11	Florida International*	24-15	10
12	Georgia State*	21-14	11
13	TCU*	18-8	13
14	Cal Poly	15-23	NR
15	Stetson*	20-13	15
16	Florida Atlantic*	21-12	14
17	Stanford	13-10	NR
18	Tulane*	24-13	NR
19	Washington	11-7	NR
20	Loyola Marymount*	15-14	NR

Others receiving votes: Arizona State, California, Saint Mary's, New Mexico, Nebraska, Florida Gulf Coast, UAB*, Utah, UNC Wilmington*, Central Arkansas, North Florida, Oregon

DiG MAGAZINE COLLEGIATE BEACH POLL

PRESEASON POLL • FEBRUARY 19, 2018

No.	School (1st Place Votes)	2017 Rec.	Prev Rk
1	USC (8)*	38-1	1
2	Pepperdine (2)*	27-5	2
3	UCLA (4)*	30-6	5
4	Hawaii (1)*	29-7	3
➔ 5	Florida State	27-7	4
6	LSU*	27-8	6
7	Long Beach State*	26-10	7
8	Arizona	15-8	8
9	South Carolina*	23-11	9
10	Grand Canyon*	17-8	11
11	Cal Poly	15-23	NR
12	Florida International*	24-15	10
13	TCU*	18-8	12
14	Stanford	13-10	19
15	Stetson*	20-13	17
16	Georgia State*	21-14	13
17	Loyola Marymount*	15-14	14
18	Washington	11-7	NR
19	Arizona State	16-16	18
20	Tulane*	24-13	20

Others receiving votes: California, Florida Atlantic*, St. Mary's, San Jose State, New Mexico

* 2018 Opponent

KEY STORYLINES

TOP-RANKED COACHING STAFF

- » Head Coach Brooke Niles brought on her husband, professional beach player Nick Lucena, as the volunteer assistant coach for the 2018 season.
- » All three coaches in 2018 have played professionally, while both Lucena and Papaleo are Olympians.

WHOOOP BANDS

- » The FSU beach volleyball team is the only collegiate beach team in the country to use Whoop Fitness Trackers to track performance and improve recovery time.

AN ELITE PROGRAM

- » FSU returns nearly every one of its starters for the 2018 season, the year after claiming its second consecutive CCSA Championship.
- » Florida State is just one of two beach volleyball programs (along with Pepperdine) to have played in every AVCA and NCAA Championship tournament.
- » Since 2012, FSU has been recognized with 11 AVCA Beach All-America honors from eight different players. The Seminoles' eight All-Americans are tied for the third-most nationally.

CAREER NUMBERS

	Overall	Tourney	Dual	1	2	3	4	5
Tory Paranagua	84-21	12-4	72-17	6-2	42-6	17-9	7-0	-
Vanessa Freire	77-20	4-2	73-18	0-2	29-7	28-5	8-1	8-3
Hailey Luke	54-20	7-2	47-18	-	-	-	5-2	42-16
Macy Jerger	40-15	2-1	38-14	-	1-0	26-10	7-2	4-2
Katie Horton	36-12	8-1	28-11	-	-	1-0	20-9	7-2
Francesca Goncalves	29-7	-	29-7	-	12-3	3-0	13-4	1-0
Brooke Kuhlman	29-15	5-1	24-14	17-12	5-2	1-0	1-0	-
Nikki Esposito	28-13	-	26-13	-	-	-	10-2	18-11
Eva Torruella	17-6	-	17-6	-	-	-	-	17-6
Ali Eager	7-4	2-2	5-2	-	-	-	-	5-2
Molly McBain	6-7	-	6-7	-	-	-	3-5	3-2
Breana Edwards	3-2	2-2	1-0	-	-	-	1-0	-
Lauren Anderson	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Marielle Diaz	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Alaina Chacon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ashley Robert	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Madison Fitzpatrick	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Avery Poppinga	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bailey Reardon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

2017 FINAL INDIVIDUAL STATS

Duo Records	Overall	Tournament	Duals	1	2	3	4	5
Paranagua/Jerger	19-7	-	19-7	-	1-0	17-7	1-0	-
Andrew/Kuhlman	18-11	-	18-11	17-11	1-0	-	-	-
Horton/Goncalves	15-4	-	15-4	-	-	1-0	13-4	1-0
Luke/Torruella	15-4	-	15-4	-	-	-	-	15-4
Freire/Goncalves	13-3	-	13-3	-	12-3	1-0	-	-
Paranagua/Freire	11-1	-	11-1	-	11-1	-	-	-
Jerger/Sanchez	7-3	-	7-3	-	-	7-3	-	-
Horton/Esposito	4-1	-	4-1	-	-	-	4-1	-
Freire/Kuhlman	4-3	-	4-3	0-1	4-2	-	-	-
Luke/Esposito	3-2	-	3-2	-	-	-	2-0	1-2
Horton/McBain	3-4	-	3-4	-	-	-	1-3	2-1
Andrew/Sanchez	3-5	-	3-5	3-4	0-1	-	-	-
Horton/Torruella	2-1	-	2-1	-	-	-	-	2-1
Luke/Eager	2-1	-	2-1	-	-	-	-	2-1
Luke/Sanchez	2-1	-	2-1	-	-	-	2-1	-
Goncalves/Jerger	1-0	-	1-0	-	-	1-0	-	-
Edwards/McBain	1-0	-	1-0	-	-	-	1-0	-
Thompson/Pennington	1-0	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	1-0
McBain/Eager	1-1	-	1-1	-	-	-	-	1-1
Sanchez/McBain	1-1	-	1-1	-	-	-	1-1	-
Freire/Sanchez	1-2	-	1-2	0-1	1-1	-	-	-
McBain/Esposito	0-1	-	0-1	-	-	-	0-1	-
Torruella/Esposito	0-1	-	0-1	-	-	-	-	0-1
Totals	127-57	-	127-57	20-17	30-8	27-10	25-11	25-11

Indiv. Records	Overall	Tournament	Duals	1	2	3	4	5
Tory Paranagua	30-8	-	30-8	-	12-1	17-7	1-0	-
Vanessa Freire	29-9	-	29-9	0-2	28-7	1-0	-	-
Francesca Goncalves	29-7	-	29-7	-	12-3	3-0	13-4	1-0
Macy Jerger	27-10	-	27-10	-	1-0	25-10	1-0	-
Katie Horton	24-10	-	24-10	-	-	1-0	18-8	5-2
Brooke Kuhlman	22-14	-	22-14	17-12	5-2	-	-	-
Hailey Luke	22-8	-	22-8	-	-	-	4-1	18-7
Leigh Andrew	21-16	-	21-16	20-15	1-1	-	-	-
Eva Torruella	17-6	-	17-6	-	-	-	-	17-6
Sierra Sanchez	12-11	-	12-11	3-5	1-2	7-3	1-1	-
Nikki Esposito	9-5	-	9-5	-	-	-	8-2	1-3
Molly McBain	6-7	-	6-7	-	-	-	3-5	3-2
Breana Edwards	1-0	-	1-0	-	-	-	1-0	-
Danielle Pennington	1-0	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	1-0
Julia Thompson	1-0	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	1-0
Devan Hultquist	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ali Eager	3-2	-	3-2	-	-	-	-	3-2

Overall = Overall won-loss mark in all matches

Tournament = Record at tournaments/invitationals

Duals = Record in dual (team vs. team) matches

1 through 5 = Record in the position in all duals and selected pool play

2017 FINAL RESULTS

Date	Opponent/Event	Place	Result
MAR 4-5	STETSON SPRING BREAK INVITATIONAL¹	DELAND, FLA.	
Mar. 4	vs. #10/9 LSU ¹ at #9/7 Stetson ¹		W, 4-1 W, 4-1
Mar. 5	Stetson Pairs Tournament		
MAR 11-12	EAST MEETS WEST INVITATIONAL²	MANHATTAN BEACH, CALIF.	
Mar. 11	vs. #6/6 Long Beach State ² vs. Cal Poly ²		W, 4-1 W, 5-0
Mar. 12	vs. Pepperdine ² at UCLA ²		L, 3-2 L, 3-2
Mar. 16	vs. Southern Cal	Honolulu, Hawaii	L, 3-2
MAR 17-18	OUTRIGGER HAWAII INVITATIONAL³	HONOLULU, HAWAII	
Mar. 17	vs. Utah ³ vs. #7/7 Arizona ³ at #5/4 Hawaii ³		W, 4-1 W, 3-2 W, 3-2
Mar. 18	vs. #1/1 Southern Cal ³ vs. Nebraska		L, 4-1 W, 4-1
MAR 25-26	GAMECOCK GRAND SLAM⁴	COLUMBIA S.C.	
Mar. 25	vs. #1/1 Southern Cal ⁴ vs. #9/10 Georgia State ⁴		L, 4-1 W, 3-2
Mar. 26	at #9/9 South Carolina ⁴ (TV: SEC Network +) vs. #13/14 Stetson ⁴		W, 4-1 W, 4-1
MAR 31- APR 1	SURF & TURF INVITATIONAL⁵	MIAMI, FLA.	
Mar 31	vs. Tulane ⁵ at. #15/16 FIU ⁵		W, 5-0 W, 3-2
Apr. 1	vs. # 3/3 UCLA ⁵ vs. #12/14 Arizona State ⁵ vs. New Orleans ⁵		L, 4-1 W, 5-0 W, 5-0
APR 7-8	STAYBRIDGE SUITES INVITATIONAL⁶	TALLAHASSEE, FLA.	
Apr. 7	#-/16 TCU ⁶ #13/13 FAU ⁶		W, 5-0 W, 5-0
Apr. 8	#11/11 South Carolina ⁶		W, 5-0
APR 14-15	ALUMNI WEEKEND⁷	TALLAHASSEE, FLA.	
Apr. 14	#2/3 Pepperdine ⁷ #13/13 Grand Canyon ⁷		W, 3-2 W, 3-2
Apr. 15	#11/11 FIU ⁷ #2/3 Pepperdine ⁷		W, 3-2 L, 4-1
APR 21-23	CCSA CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP⁸	EMERSON, GA.	
Apr. 21	vs. UNC Wilmington ⁸ vs. Tulane ⁸		W, 5-0 W, 5-0
Apr. 22	vs. #12/13 South Carolina ⁸ vs. #10/13 FIU ⁸ vs. #15/15 FAU ⁸		W, 3-2 W, 4-1 W, 4-1
Apr. 23	vs. #10/13 FIU ⁸ (TV: ESPN3)		W, 3-0
MAY 5-6	NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP⁹	GULF SHORES, ALA.	
May 5	vs. #5 Hawaii (NCAA.com) vs. #8 South Carolina ⁹ (NCAA.com)		L, 3-1 W, 3-0
May 6	vs. #2 UCLA ⁹ (NCAA.com) vs. #5 Hawaii ⁹ (TV: TruTV)		W, 3-1 L, 3-2

Bold denotes home match; ¹Stetson Spring Beach Invitational (DeLand, Fla.); ²East Meets West Invitational (Manhattan Beach, Calif.); ³Outrigger Hawaii Invitational (Honolulu, Hawaii); ⁴Gamecock Grand Slam (Columbia, S.C.); ⁵Fifth Annual Surf & Turf Invitational (Miami, Fla.); ⁶Staybridge Suites Invitational (Tallahassee, Fla.); ⁷Alumni Weekend (Tallahassee, Fla.); ⁸CCSA Conference Championship (Emerson, Ga.); ⁹NCAA Beach Volleyball Championship (Gulf Shores, Ala.)

HEAD COACH
BROOKE NILES
 THIRD SEASON • UC SANTA BARBARA (2003)



Niles' Winning Percentage

Year	School	Record	Winning %	NCAA
2016	Florida State	32-3	.914	Finals
2017	Florida State	29-9	.763	Semifinals

Entering her third season with the program, head coach Brooke Niles has shaped Florida State beach volleyball into one of the most elite teams in the country, establishing the Seminoles as a national contender every year and a fixture in the AVCA Beach Top-20. Niles came to FSU prior to the 2016 season, and had previously coached at the collegiate, junior college, club and high school levels working with both indoor and sand volleyball teams.

In 2016, Niles led the Seminoles to unprecedented heights during the program's first season as an official NCAA Championship sport. Her first year in Tallahassee was highlighted by a series of program firsts including a school-record for dual-match victories (32), a conference championship, the top-seed in the inaugural NCAA Beach Volleyball Championship and a national runner-up finish.

Florida State hit the ground running under Niles, winning its first 14 matches, all on the road, with eight of those victories coming against ranked foes including five ranked in the top-10. One of those wins came against then-No. 2 Southern California in Los Angeles as the Seminoles snapped the Women of Troy's 19-match home win streak. FSU went on to earn the No. 1 overall seed at the NCAA Beach Volleyball Championship after claiming the 2016 Coastal Collegiate Sports Association (CCSA) Conference title.

The Seminoles finished the 2016 campaign as the national runner-up at the NCAA Beach Volleyball Championship in Gulf Shores, Ala. after posting a 3-2 record at the tournament. FSU went on to set the single-season school record for victories in a season with 32 and ranked in the Top 5 of the AVCA national poll all year. Along with their 14-match win streak, the Seminoles also put together a school-record 17-match win streak which saw Florida State outscore the opposition 71-10. At season's end, Florida State registered 19 victories over ranked schools, while posting an 11-3 mark against teams ranked in the Top 10.

In her second year under the helm Niles continued the winning tradition of Florida State beach volleyball. The team finished with the second-most wins in school history and the third most in the country (29). Niles and the Noles secured back-to-back CCSA Championships after they defeated FIU 3-0 in 34 minutes. Florida State reached their second consecutive NCAA Beach Volleyball Championship appearance and sixth straight post season appearance, tied for most of any school.

The Seminoles finished the 2017 season in fourth place at the NCAA Beach Volleyball Championship in Gulf Shore, Ala. after going 2-2 at the tournament. The Noles defeated a school record 22 ranked teams during the 2017 season, including 13 wins over top-10 teams and three over top-5 teams. The 2017 season saw the Garnet and Gold defeat Pepperdine for the first time in school history as they took down the second-ranked wave in Tallahassee.

Under Niles, Florida State garnered two AVCA All-Americans, six CCSA All-Conference selections, a league-best three student-athletes named to the CCSA All-Academic team in 2016, the CCSA Scholar Athlete of the Year (Macy Jerger) in 2017, the CCSA Pair of the Year in 2016 (Julie Brown/Jace Pardon) and 10 Seminoles who earned a spot on the CCSA Academic Honor Roll.

Niles was recognized for her outstanding effort in her first season at the helm of the Seminole beach volleyball program as she was named National Coach of the Year by the American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA).

SEMINOLES AVCA TOP 15 WINS UNDER COACH NILES

Date	Season	FSU/Opp.Rank	Opponent	Site	Result	Score	Date	Season	FSU/Opp.Rank	Opponent	Site	Result	Score
Mar. 9	2016	4 / 6	Long Beach State	Long Beach, Calif.	W	5-0	Apr. 7	2017	- / 13	Florida Atlantic*	Tallahassee, Fla.	W	5-0
Mar. 10	2016	4 / 3	UCLA	Santa Monica, Calif.	W	5-0	Apr. 8	2017	- / 11	South Carolina*	Tallahassee, Fla.	W	5-0
Mar. 11	2016	4 / 2	Southern Cal	Los Angeles, Calif.	W	3-2	Apr. 14	2017	- / 2	Pepperdine	Tallahassee, Fla.	W	3-2
Mar. 25	2016	2 / 10	Florida International*	DeLand, Fla.	W	4-1	Apr. 14	2017	- / 13	Grand Canyon	Tallahassee, Fla.	W	3-2
Mar. 25	2016	2 / 4	UCLA	DeLand, Fla.	W	4-1	Apr. 15	2017	- / 11	Florida International	Tallahassee, Fla.	W	3-2
Apr. 15	2016	3 / T-9	Georgia State*	Tallahassee, Fla.	W	3-2	Apr. 22	2017	- / 12	South Carolina* ^	Emerson, Ga.	W	3-2
Apr. 24	2016	3 / 9	Georgia State* ^	Emerson, Ga.	W	3-0	Apr. 22	2017	- / 10	Florida International* * ^	Emerson, Ga.	W	4-1
May 6	2016	3 / 9	Stetson #	Gulf Shores, Ala.	W	3-0	Apr. 22	2017	- / 15	Florida Atlantic* ^	Emerson, Ga.	W	4-1
May 6	2016	3 / 5	Hawaii #	Gulf Shores, Ala.	W	3-2	Apr. 23	2017	- / 10	Florida International* ^	Emerson, Ga.	W	3-0
May 8	2016	3 / 4	UCLA #	Gulf Shores, Ala.	W	3-1	May 5	2017	- / 8	South Carolina* #	Gulf Shores, Ala.	W	3-0
Mar. 4	2017	- / 10	LSU*	DeLand, Fla.	W	4-1	May 5	2017	- / 2	UCLA #	Gulf Shores, Ala.	W	3-1
Mar. 4	2017	- / 9	Stetson	DeLand, Fla.	W	4-1							
Mar. 11	2017	- / 6	Long Beach State	Manhattan Beach, Calif.	W	4-1							
Mar. 17	2017	- / 7	Arizona	Honolulu, Hawai'i	W	3-2							
Mar. 17	2017	- / 5	Hawai'i	Honolulu, Hawai'i	W	3-2							
Mar. 25	2017	- / 9	Georgia State*	Columbia, S.C.	W	3-2							
Mar. 26	2017	- / -	South Carolina*	Columbia, S.C.	W	4-1							
Mar. 26	2017	- / 13	Stetson	Columbia, S.C.	W	4-1							
Mar. 31	2017	- / 15	Florida International*	Miami, Fla.	W	3-2							
Apr. 1	2017	- / 12	Arizona State	Miami, Fla.	W	5-0							
Apr. 7	2017	- / 13	Florida Atlantic*	Tallahassee, Fla.	W	5-0							

*Denotes conference opponent
 ^ CCSA Championship match
 # NCAA Championship match



1

Macy Jerger
JR • 6-1
Fort Myers, Fla.



2

Eva Tourella
R-SO • 6-0
San Juan, Puerto Rico



4

Devan Hultquist
R-SO • 5-6
Tallahassee, Fla.



5

Lauren Anderson
GR • 6-0
Peoria, Ariz. / USU



10

Ali Eager
JR • 5-11
Southlake, Texas



12

Vanessa Freire
SR • 5-10
Windemere, Fla.



14

Marielle Diaz
FR • 5-6
Boca Raton, Fla.



15

Alaina Chacon
FR • 5-9
Crown Point, Ind.



20

Brooke Kuhlman
JR • 5-10
Naples, Fla.



21

Molly McBain
SO • 5-9
Toronto, Ont.



24

Nikki Esposito
JR • 5-10
Deerfield Beach, Fla.



25

Tory Parangua
SR • 5-11
Austin, Texas



30

Sara Putt
JR • 5-11
Jupiter, Fla.



31

Ashley Robert
FR • 5-5
McKinney, Texas



32

Francesca Goncalves
SO • 5-10
Dallas, Texas



33

Madison Fitzpatrick
FR • 5-9
Tallahassee, Fla.



34

Hailey Luke
R-SR • 6-0
Altamonte Springs, Fla.



35

Katie Horton
R-SR • 6-1
Westland, Mich.



40

Bre Edwards
R-JR • 6-3
Jacksonville, Fla.



41

Avery Poppinga
FR • 5-11
Austin, Texas



42

Bailey Reardon
FR • 6-0
Milton, Ga.



Brooke Niles
Head Coach
Third Season



Raul Papaleo
Assistant Head Coach
Second Season



Nick Lucena
Volunteer Asst. Coach
First Season



Shawn Matthews
Director of Operations
First Season



Katie Burke
Assistant Director of Ops
First Season

BACK-TO-BACK CCSA CHAMPIONS • SIX NCAA/AVCA TOURNAMENT APPEARANCES