



MILWAUKEE VOLLEYBALL GAME NOTES

10 NCAA TOURNAMENTS | 14 CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS | 12 ALL-AMERICANS

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2024 SCHEDULE / RESULTS

Date	Opponent	TV	Time
August			
30	No. 5 STANFORD	ESPN+	L, 0-3
31	vs. Western Illinois		W, 3-1
September			
1	at Northern Illinois	ESPN+	W, 3-2
5	at Southern Methodist	ESPN+	5:00 pm
6	vs. Loyola Marymount		3:00 pm
7	vs. Weber State		11:00 am
10	at Wisconsin	BIG+	7:00 pm
13	ILLINOIS STATE	ESPN+	7:00 pm
14	ST. THOMAS (MINN.)	ESPN+	4:00 pm
15	IOWA	ESPN+	1:00 pm
19	at DePaul		7:00 pm
21	vs. UIC		3:00 pm
27	at Oakland *		5:00 pm
28	at Oakland *		1:00 pm
October			
1	at Green Bay *	ESPN+	6:00 pm
4	IU INDIANAPOLIS *		6:00 pm
5	IU INDIANAPOLIS *		2:00 pm
11	at Northern Kentucky *		5:00 pm
12	at Northern Kentucky *		1:00 pm
18	WRIGHT STATE *	ESPN+	6:00 pm
19	WRIGHT STATE *	ESPN+	2:00 pm
22	at Marquette		7:00 pm
25	YOUNGSTOWN STATE *		6:00 pm
26	YOUNGSTOWN STATE *		2:00 pm
29	GREEN BAY *	ESPN+	6:00 pm
November			
1	at Purdue Fort Wayne *		6:00 pm
2	at Purdue Fort Wayne *		1:00 pm
8	at Robert Morris *		5:00 pm
9	at Robert Morris *		12:00 pm
15	CLEVELAND STATE *	ESPN+	6:00 pm
16	CLEVELAND STATE *	ESPN+	2:00 pm
22	Horizon Quarterfinals ^	ESPN+	TBA
23	Horizon Semifinals ^	ESPN+	TBA
24	Horizon Championship ^	ESPN+	TBA

*Horizon League Game | ^ Horizon Postseason
All times Central

HOME MATCHES IN BOLD

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MILWAUKEE PANTHERS



2024 RECORD

2-1 Overall
0-0 Horizon

ALL-TIME RECORD (Div. I)

588-440 Overall
314-144 Conference

SUSIE JOHNSON

Career Record: 307-260
Record at MKE: 287-213

MATCH 4

SEPTEMBER 5 at SOUTHERN METHODIST

Moody Coliseum | Dallas, Texas | 5:00 pm | ESPN+



MUSTANGS

2-1 Overall
0-0 Atlantic Coast

ALL-TIME SERIES

SMU Leads, 1-0
Last Meeting: Sept. 17, 2004

SAM ERGER

Career Record: 50-18
Record at SMU: 50-18

MATCH 5

SEPTEMBER 6 vs LOYOLA MARYMOUNT

Moody Coliseum | Dallas, Texas | 3:00 pm



LIONS

1-2 Overall
0-0 West Coast

ALL-TIME SERIES

Series Tied, 0-0
Last Meeting: N/A

TRENT KERSTEN

Career Record: 68-36
Record at LMU: 21-8

MATCH 6

SEPTEMBER 7 vs WEBER STATE

Moody Coliseum | Dallas, Texas | 11:00 am



WILDCATS

1-1 Overall
0-0 Big Sky

ALL-TIME SERIES

Series Tied, 0-0
Last Meeting: N/A

JEREMIAH LARSEN

Career Record: 153-109
Record at Weber St: 153-109

QUICK HITS

» After starting the season 2-1, the Milwaukee volleyball team heads on the road for a trio of matches in Dallas at the Southern Methodist Doubletree Classic at Moody Coliseum. The Panthers will open competition against host SMU before taking on Loyola Marymount on Friday, and Weber State on Saturday.

» This will be Milwaukee's first trip to the 'Lone Star State' since the 2004 season, when the Panthers also played in a four-team event hosted by SMU. The Panthers dropped a four-set match against the host Mustangs while also dropping three-set decisions to both LSU and Miami (Fla.) in mid-September.

» In Milwaukee's previous matchup against SMU, the Panthers fell 30-21, 27-30, 30-15, and 30-26. Karen Fruit had a match-high 17 kills for MKE, while Lauren Felsing added a dozen, but Milwaukee as a team hit just .082 as a team. SMU ended the match hitting .204 as a team and were led by Jacky Niederstadt with 15 kills for the Mustangs

» For the second consecutive week, Milwaukee will be playing a team that has received national recognition by the AVCA as SMU is currently receiving votes in the September 2 poll. The Panthers began the season with No. 5 Stanford, who remained at No. 5 in this week's poll.

» Milwaukee will also take on Loyola Marymount and Weber State at the Doubletree Classic this weekend, both are first time foes for the Black & Gold. LMU and Weber State join Stanford as the three first-time opponents for Milwaukee in 2024.

HEAD TO HEAD

CATEGORY	MILWAUKEE	SMU	LMU	WEBER ST.
Kills (Team/Opp)	142/167	144/133	145/130	90/95
Errors (Team/Opp)	50/768	54/78	70/63	46/58
Attempts (Team/Opp)	490/531	363/392	400/377	262/270
Attacking Percent (Team/Opp)	.188/.186	.248/.140	.188/.178	.168/.137
Assists (Team/Opp)	119/143	131/125	135/115	81/92
Assists per Set (Team/Opp)	9.9/11.9	10.9/10.4	12.3/10.5	9.0/10.2
Service Aces (Team/Opp)	20/21	22/12	17/10	17/10
Digs (Team/Opp)	200/224	148/133	161/158	102/112
Total Blocks (Team/Opp)	23/17	35/23	28/21	20/23

**General Information**

Location	Milwaukee, Wis.
Founded	1885
Enrollment	24,836
Nickname	Panthers
Colors	Black and Gold
Facility / Capacity	Klotsche Center / 2,500
Affiliation	NCAA Division I
Conference	Horizon League
Chancellor	Mark Mone
Director of Athletics	Amanda Braun
Associate AD/SWA	Kathy Litzau
Ticket Office Phone	414-229-5886

Team History

First Year of Volleyball	1973
All-Time Record	1155-693-9
First Year in Division I	1990
NCAA Division I Record	588-440
NCAA Tournament Appearances	10
Last NCAA Appearance	2013
Last NCAA Opponent	Wisconsin
Result	L, 3-0

Volleyball Staff

Head Coach	Susie Johnson
	Idaho State '93
Office Phone	414-229-4483
Associate Head Coach	Lindsey Vanden Berg
	Milwaukee '03
Assistant Coach	Katie Adams
	Parkside '19
Athletic Trainer	Katie Wissing
	Saint Louis '21

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2024 HORIZON LEAGUE STANDINGS

Team	Horizon League			Overall			Strk
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
Purdue Fort Wayne	0	0	.000	3	0	1.000	W3
Wright State	0	0	.000	3	0	1.000	W3
Cleveland State	0	0	.000	2	1	.667	W2
Milwaukee	0	0	.000	2	1	.667	W2
Robert Morris	0	0	.000	2	1	.667	W2
IU Indianapolis	0	0	.000	1	2	.333	L1
Northern Kentucky	0	0	.000	1	2	.333	W1
Oakland	0	0	.000	1	2	.333	W1
Youngstown State	0	0	.000	1	2	.333	W1
Green Bay	0	0	.000	0	3	.000	L3

AROUND THE HORIZON LEAGUE

Sept. 4	Cleveland State at Akron	5:00 pm
	Butler at IU Indianapolis	6:00 pm
Sept. 6	IU Indianapolis vs. Cincinnati	8:30 am
	Radford vs. Youngstown State	9:00 am
	Oakland vs. George Washington	10:00 am
	Niagara at Robert Morris	10:00 am
	Purdue Fort Wayne vs. UIC	10:00 am
	Green Bay vs. Florida Atlantic	10:30 am
	Oakland vs. Marshall	3:00 pm
	Youngstown State vs. Morehead State	3:00 pm
	Green Bay vs. Northern Arizona	3:30 pm
	Texas Rio Grande Valley at Cleveland State	5:00 pm
	Dayton at Wright State	5:00 pm
	Coppin State at Robert Morris	5:00 pm
	Missouri at Northern Kentucky	5:00 pm
	Purdue Fort Wayne vs. Western Illinois	6:30 pm
	IU Indianapolis at Bellarmine	6:30 pm
Sept. 7	IU Indianapolis vs. UAB	11:00 am
	Wyoming at Cleveland State	11:00 am
	Purdue Fort Wayne vs. South Dakota State	12:00 pm
	Youngstown State at Eastern Kentucky	12:30 pm
	Green Bay at Texas Tech	1:30 pm
	Robert Morris at Duquesne	2:00 pm
	South Dakota at Northern Kentucky	4:00 pm
	UMBC at Wright State	5:00 pm
	Oakland at Eastern Michigan	6:00 pm
Sept. 8	Louisville at Northern Kentucky	1:00 pm
	Bowling Green at Wright State	2:00 pm
Sept. 12	Youngstown State at Canisius	5:00 pm

IT'S "MILWAUKEE"

A lot has been made of the correct way to talk about the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, especially in the area of athletics. It would be appreciated if you would refer to the athletics teams as either "Milwaukee" or "MKE".

Milwaukee Athletics is making an effort to brand itself as "Milwaukee" instead of other references. Please avoid UW-Milwaukee, UW-M, Wisc.-Mil, UW-MIL, Wisconsin-Milwaukee, etc.

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

2024 HORIZON LEAGUE PRESEASON POLL

School (1st place votes)	Points
1. Wright State (9)	99
2. Northern Kentucky (1)	85
4. Milwaukee	73
3. Green Bay	71
5. Cleveland State	63
6. Oakland	53
7. Purdue Fort Wayne	38
T8. IU Indianapolis	26
T8. Robert Morris	26
10. Youngstown State	16

MILWAUKEE VOLLEYBALL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown (High School/College)	Pronunciation
1	Tatum Catalano	OH/RS	6-0	Sr.	Germantown, Wis. (Germantown)	TAY-tum cat-uh-LAH-no
2	Bri Geurts	RS/MB	6-0	Sr.	De Pere, Wis. (De Pere)	GERTS
3	Lakyn Graves	MB	6-2	Sr.	Menomonee Falls, Wis. (Sussex Hamilton/Omaha)	LAY-kin
4	Josie Johnson	S	5-7	Jr.	Burlington, Wis. (Waterford Union)	
5	Milica Tomic	S	5-7	Fr.	Dyer, Ind. (Lake Central)	mil-LEET-za tah-meech
6	Alexis Lewis	MB	6-1	Sr.	Roscoe, Ill. (Hononegah Community/Memphis)	
7	Gabby Wire	OH	5-9	Fr.	Crystal Lake, Ill. (Crystal Lake South)	
8	Jenna Soerens	OH/RS	5-11	Fr.	Oostburg, Wis. (Oostburg)	SOAR-ins
9	Kati Goba	DS	5-4	So.	Mukwonago, Wis. (Wisconsin Lutheran)	GOE-buh
10	Czhen Beneby	MB	6-3	Sr.	West Palm Beach, Fla. (Alexander W. Dreyfoos/Virginia)	ZEN BEN-uh-bee
11	Natalie Schmitz	OH	6-1	Jr.	Ham Lake, Minn. (Blaine)	
12	Bella Lipski	MB	6-2	So.	Milwaukee, Wis. (Divine Savior Holy Angels)	
13	Kara Erdmann	DS	5-6	Jr.	Forreston, Ill. (Forreston)	
14	Madi Malone	OH	6-0	Sr.	Newark, Ill. (Newark)	
15	Emily Hansen	OH/RS	5-10	Fr.	Mayville, Wis. (Mayville)	
16	Rachel Scott	RS	6-2	Jr.	Belvidere, Ill. (Belvidere North)	
17	Hallie Cook	DS/L	5-8	Jr.	Springfield, Mo. (Springfield Catholic/UNC Greensboro)	HAL-lee

Head Coach: Susie Johnson (18th season)**Associate Head Coach:** Lindsey Vanden Berg (18th season)**Assistant Coach:** Katie Adams (first season)**Athletic Trainer:** Katie Wissing (third season)**Strength & Conditioning:** Bennett Reed (second season)

TELEVISION/RADIO ROSTER



Tatum
Catalano



Bri
Geurts



Lakyn
Graves



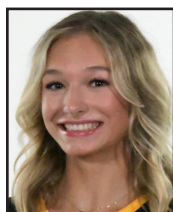
Josie
Johnson



Milica
Tomic



Alexis
Lewis



Gabby
Wire



Jenna
Soerens



Kati
Goba



Czhen
Beneby



Natalie
Schmitz



Bella
Lipski



Kara
Erdmann



Madi
Malone



Emily
Hansen



Rachel
Scott



Hallie
Cook



Susie
Johnson

TEAM BREAKDOWN

Class

Seniors – 6
Juniors – 5
Sophomores – 2
Freshmen – 4

Position

Hitters – 8
Middles – 4
Setters – 2
Defensive – 3

Home State

Wisconsin – 8
Illinois – 5
Florida – 1
Indiana – 1
Minnesota – 1
Missouri – 1

Height

6-2 Plus – 4
6-0 to 6-1 – 5
5-8 to 5-11 – 4
5-4 to 5-7 – 4

Status

Returners – 11
Freshmen – 4
Transfers – 2

GAME NOTES

LOOKING AT SMU

Coming off one of, if not the largest win, in program history, the Mustangs enter at 2-1 on the season including an upset over No. 2 Nebraska on Tuesday evening, sweeping the Cornhuskers 25-23, 25-21, and 25-18. The loss was Nebraska's first sweep at the hands of an unranked opponent since 2014, while the win was SMU's first win over a ranked opponent since knocking off No. 14 Baylor in 2023.

Head coach Sam Erger earned her 50th win in two-plus seasons with SMU on Tuesday and was named American Athletic Conference Coach of the Year a season ago. Erger was previously an assistant coach at Baylor and played collegiately at Bowling Green, graduating in 2011.

Through the first week of the season, SMU has been led by Maya Tabron with 38 kills, Naya Shime with 35, and Jamison Wheeler with 32 for a team that has combined offensively for 144 kills and is hitting .248 on the season. SMU's service game was key in the upset win over Nebraska, as the Mustangs have been led on the service line by Natalie Foster with 10 aces over the team's first 12 sets. The team has also been stout defensively and enter Thursday's match as 20th in Division I with 35 blocks on the season and are 26th nationally in blocks per set (2.92).

LOOKING AT LMU

Loyola Marymount was receiving votes in the 2024 preseason poll by the AVCA and will be yet another tall task for Milwaukee. However, LMU is coming off a trip to Western Michigan (where Milwaukee started the 2023 season), and fell against both host Western Michigan and Loyola Chicago, but were able to win a four-set decision against Clemson.

Sophia Meyers had a strong showing against host Western Michigan in the opener with 22 kills and leads the team with 51 through the first three matches of the young season. Meyers is among the national leaders in points per set at 5.55 this season, which is good enough for 15th national, while also leading the West Coast Conference. The Lions have also out-served their competition with a 17-12 advantage in service aces, including a team-best four from setter Mia Schafer, who also has a team-best 68 assists on the year.

Head coach Trent Kersten enters his second season as head coach of the Lions and is looking to lead LMU back to a 20-win season as he finished 20-6 a season ago, including an impressive 13-3 showing in league play. After building up San Jose State in three seasons with 47 wins over his time in Northern California, Kersten moved down the coast to LMU and looks to contend with the Lions in his second season.

LOOKING AT WEBER STATE

After splitting their first two matches of the season with a win against Utah Tech and a loss to Denver, Weber State heads from Ogden, Utah to Dallas for the trio of matches. Under the direction of 10th year head coach Jeremiah Larson, the BYU grad has had his share of success with at least 17 wins in each of his last six seasons including 21 a year ago.

Through two matches, Weber State has 90 kills versus 95 of their opponents, while hitting just .168 on the year. The team has put together 17 service aces while yielding just 10 defensively, as they have amassed 102 digs and 20 blocks as well on the defensive side of the ball. Rolling with a short rotation, Ashley Gneiting is the player to watch in the early stages of the match, as she leads the Wildcasts with 24 kills, while Saane Munyer hits at a high efficiency when set the ball, as Munyer has a .357 hitting percentage with 13 kills.

Finding the pair of hitters has been setter Kate Payne with 67 assists for an average of 7.44 assists per set this season. Liana Woodley has been a force up front in the early-going on the defensive side of the ball with 1.11 blocks per set, leading the team with 10 on the season. In addition to being the team's top setter, Payne also leads Weber State with 25 digs, followed closely by Marly Pratt with 21.

UP NEXT

Milwaukee head's back to Wisconsin for the first time since the season opener and will begin next week with a trip to the UW Field House and nationally ranked

Wisconsin. The Badgers are off to a slow start at 0-3 this season, with all three losses coming to teams in the top-six of the AVCA poll. After the 90 minute drive to Madison, the Panthers return home to host the Panther Invitational, which will include matches with Illinois State, St. Thomas, and Iowa.

DOUBLE THE DOUBLE-DOUBLE IN ILLINOIS

Playing in her home state of Illinois, senior Madi Malone collected a pair of double-doubles including 18 kills and 15 digs over four sets against Western Illinois, while totaling 11 kills and 16 digs against host Northern Illinois.

With her pair of double-doubles, Malone now has 38 for her career. Malone has 1,142 kills and is four shy of breaking into the top-10 on the Milwaukee all-time kills list currently occupied by Leanne Felsing with 1,146. Her 938 digs is also the most among active players, as are her 97 matches played, 360 sets played, and 64 service aces.

ERDMANN'S NEW HIGH

Entering her junior season with a career high of 28 digs from her freshman season against Cleveland State in postseason play, Kara Erdmann set a new career-best with 31 digs against Western Illinois during the team's four-set win over the Leathernecks.

Erdmann enters play this weekend 20th in Division I with her 61 digs on the season, while she is 27th in Division I in digs per set at 5.08.

IN A FLURRY

Milwaukee has been attacking opponents from all angles with the Panthers accumulating 40.83 attacking attempts per set through three contests thus far. That number is currently sixth in all of Division I, but is still second in the Horizon League as Milwaukee trails Wright State, who is just ahead of Milwaukee at 40.89.

Panther opponent Western Illinois leads the nation at 54.38 attacking attempts per set, while another Milwaukee opponent, Northern Illinois is second in the nation at 44.89 attacks per set.

RECORD-SETTING CROWD

On August 30, the Panthers hosted their first-ever top-five opponent with the Stanford Cardinal visiting the Klotsche Center. With a total of 1,581 in attendance, including a student crowd of 968, the attendance figure broke the previous mark that had stood since the 2006 season, when Milwaukee and No. 11 Wisconsin drew a crowd of 1,121 in the final match of that season's Panther Invitational.

500 CAREER MATCHES

On Sunday, September 1, Susie Johnson coached her 500th career match as the head coach of the Panthers becoming the first head coach in Milwaukee Division I history to reach that milestone. Tom Pleyte, who coached the team from 1978 and through Milwaukee's first three Division I seasons from 1990-92, is the program's all-time leader having served as head coach for 807 matches. Kathy Litzau, who followed Pleyte and preceded Johnson led Milwaukee 423 times.

Last season, Johnson earned her 272nd head coaching victory to become the department's all-time leader in wins in Division I history. She also recorded her 500th win as a Panther, earning 226 victories in 10 seasons as an assistant, while earning her 274th win as head coach against Purdue Fort Wayne on September 23.

NATIONAL RANKING

Milwaukee finished the regular season second in the nation with 1,608 kills, and after its postseason match against Cleveland State in the Horizon League First Round, added to its total to finish the year with 1,661, which was 22nd most in all of Division I in 2023 following the conclusion of the NCAA Championship.

The Panthers also finished 2023 with 1,546 assists, which was also 22nd in Division I, while the team finished 52nd in total blocks with 279.5. Both of those numbers were tops in the Horizon League. With a .255 team hitting percentage, Milwaukee led the Horizon League and finished the year 39th among 332 DI programs.

GAME NOTES

NEW CREW

Milwaukee welcomes six newcomers to the roster in 2024, including two transfers and four true freshmen.

Making their way to Milwaukee from Memphis is middle blocker Alexis Lewis, who played in 38 matches with the Tigers over three seasons. Also transferring to the Black & Gold is Hallie Cook, who after playing a multitude of positions at UNC Greensboro, will look to settle into a defensive specialist/libero role with the Panthers.

The four freshmen represent three different states including a pair from Wisconsin, as Emily Hansen hails from Mayville, and Jenna Soerens comes from Oostburg. Milica Tomic is a setter from Dyer, Indiana, while Gabby Wire comes north from her home state of Illinois, where she played high school volleyball at Crystal Lake South in the Chicago suburbs.

TOUGH SLATE ON TAP

Milwaukee is scheduled to play a tough slate of competition in 2024 including six teams that qualified for the 2023 NCAA Championship. The list includes Stanford (Aug. 30), Southern Methodist (Sept. 5), Weber State (Sept. 8), Wisconsin (Sept. 10), Wright State (Oct. 18-19), and Marquette (Oct. 22).

The 2024 American Volleyball Coaches Association Preseason Poll included Wisconsin (No. 3), Stanford (No. 5), Marquette (No. 24), as well as Southern Methodist and Loyola Marymount, who were receiving votes in the preseason tally.

PANTHERS VS. RANKED

In 38 meetings all-time against top-25 opponents, the Panthers have wins at home against No. 9 Wisconsin (Sept. 1, 1999) and at home against No. 18 Iowa State (Aug. 29, 2008).

Milwaukee is currently scheduled to play two opponents in the top-10 of the AVCA poll, the last time the Panthers played a top-10 team was when they played No. 4 Florida on Sept. 21, 2013. The instance against Florida was the only time Milwaukee had played a top-five team before playing Stanford to open the season.

WELCOME TO THE ATLANTIC COAST?

Milwaukee will be playing two programs that changed their conference this past summer, including Stanford on Aug. 30, and Southern Methodist on Sept. 5. Despite playing in Stanford, California and Dallas, Texas, respectively the pair join the Atlantic Coast Conference in what will be one of two leagues to feature 18 teams in 2024-25 in addition to the Big Ten Conference.

Among the 18 teams that currently comprise the Atlantic Coast Conference, Milwaukee currently has an 8-12 overall record. The Panthers are 2-0 all time against Boston College and Syracuse, 2-2 against Virginia Tech, 1-2 against Georgia Tech, 1-3 against Notre Dame, and have identical 0-1 marks against Duke, Miami, NC State, Stanford, and Southern Methodist.

PRESEASON POLL

After finishing the 2023 Horizon League schedule in a tie for second place with a 13-5 record, the Panthers were selected to finish third in the 2024 preseason poll, amassing 73 points and finishing just ahead of Green Bay with 71 points.

Wright State was selected to repeat as champions of the Horizon League with nine first-place votes and 99 points overall, while Northern Kentucky received the final first-place vote and recorded 85 points. Cleveland State took fifth with 63 points, while Oakland was projected to take the final playoff berth with 53 points.



SUSIE JOHNSON

HEAD COACH

18TH SEASON / 28TH OVERALL

IDAHO STATE '93

Head Coaching Records

Head Coaching Record at Milwaukee: 287-213

Head Coaching Conference Record at Milwaukee: 181-89

Head Coaching Career Record: 307-260

Career Coaching Records

Total Career Record at Milwaukee: 513-283

Total Career Conference Record at Milwaukee: 299-103

Total Career Record: 558-366

Postseason Appearances / Awards

NCAA Tournament Berths: 10 *

20-Win Seasons: 16 *

Regular Season Titles: 14 *

League Coach of the Year Titles: 5 *

Coaching Timeline

2007-present - Milwaukee, Head Coach *

1997-2006 - Milwaukee, Assistant Coach *

1995-96 - Indiana State, Assistant Coach

1993-94 - Parkside, Head Coach

Panthers Record When ...

At Home	0-1
On the Road	1-0
At a Neutral Site	1-0
vs. Horizon	0-0
In Three-Set Matches	0-1
In Four-Set Matches	1-0
In Five-Set Matches	1-0
Winning the First Set	1-0
Leading After Two Sets	0-0
Trailing After Two Sets	0-0
Tied After Two Sets	2-0
On Weekdays	0-1
On Weekends	2-0
On Mondays	0-0
On Tuesdays	0-0
On Wednesdays	0-0
On Thursdays	0-0
On Fridays	0-1
On Saturdays	1-0
On Sundays	1-0
In August	1-1
In September	1-0
In October	0-0
In November	0-0

2024 SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

Date	Opponent	Score	Set-by-set	Overall	Horizon	Time	Att.
Aug. 30	No. 5 Stanford	L, 0-3	20-25, 25-27, 17-25	0-1		1:29	1,581

NORTHERN ILLINOIS TOURNAMENT (DeKalb, Ill.)

Aug. 31	vs. Western Illinois	W, 3-1	25-23, 22-25, 28-26, 25-23	1-1		2:26	104
Sept. 1	at Northern Illinois	W, 3-2	22-25, 25-18, 19-25, 25-19, 15-13	2-1		2:18	401

SOUTHERN METHODIST TOURNAMENT (Dallas, Texas)

Sept. 5	at RV Southern Methodist					5:00 pm	
Sept. 6	vs. Loyola Marymount					3:00 pm	
Sept. 7	vs. Weber State					11:00 am	
Sept. 10	at Wisconsin					7:00 pm	

PANTHER INVITATIONAL (Milwaukee, Wis.)

Sept. 13	ILLINOIS STATE					7:00 pm	
Sept. 14	ST. THOMAS					4:00 pm	
Sept. 15	IOWA					1:00 pm	

CHICAGO CUP (Chicago, Ill.)

Sept. 19	at DePaul					7:00 pm	
Sept. 21	vs. UIC					3:00 pm	
Sept. 27	at Oakland *					5:00 pm	
Sept. 28	at Oakland *					1:00 pm	

Oct. 1	at Green Bay *					6:00 pm	
Oct. 4	IU INDIANAPOLIS *					6:00 pm	
Oct. 5	IU INDIANAPOLIS *					2:00 pm	
Oct. 11	at Northern Kentucky *					5:00 pm	
Oct. 12	at Northern Kentucky *					1:00 pm	
Oct. 18	WRIGHT STATE *					6:00 pm	
Oct. 19	WRIGHT STATE *					2:00 pm	
Oct. 22	at Marquette					7:00 pm	
Oct. 25	YOUNGSTOWN STATE *					6:00 pm	
Oct. 26	YOUNGSTOWN STATE *					2:00 pm	
Oct. 29	GREEN BAY *					6:00 pm	

Nov. 1	at Purdue Fort Wayne *					6:00 pm	
Nov. 2	at Purdue Fort Wayne *					1:00 pm	
Nov. 8	at Robert Morris *					5:00 pm	
Nov. 9	at Robert Morris *					12:00 pm	
Nov. 15	CLEVELAND STATE *					6:00 pm	
Nov. 16	CLEVELAND STATE *					2:00 pm	

HORIZON LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

Nov. 22-24	Horizon League Tournament ^						
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Home Games in **BOLD** | * Horizon League Match | ^ Horizon League Tournament



2024 MILWAUKEE MATCH-BY-MATCH

			Attack				Set			Serve				Recept				Blocking						
Date	Opponent	SP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	TA	PCT	SA	SE	TA	PCT	RE	TA	PCT	DIG	BS	BA	BE	TOTAL	BHE	POINTS	SCORE
08/30/2024	Stanford	3	29	15	79	.177	28	85	.329	5	6	63	.905	7	60	.883	32	1	8	0	5.0	0	39.0	0-3
08/31/2024	vs Western Ill.	4	55	16	228	.171	42	236	.178	9	10	99	.899	4	94	.957	91	5	14	0	12.0	0	76.0	3-1
09/01/2024	at NIU	5	58	19	183	.213	49	192	.255	6	10	105	.905	10	93	.892	77	1	10	0	6.0	2	70.0	3-2
Totals		12	142	50	490	.188	119	513	.232	20	26	267	.903	21	247	.915	200	7	32	0	23.0	2	185.0	
Opponents		12	167	68	531	.186	143	560	.255	21	28	275	.898	20	241	.917	224	10	14	1	17.0	1	205.0	

Team Averages

Sets Played	Kills per set	Assists per set	Service aces per set	Digs per set	Blocks per set	Points per set	Ball handling error per set	Reception errors per set
12	11.83	9.92	1.67	16.67	1.92	15.42	0.17	1.75

ACTIVE CAREER LEADERS

Matches Played

Madi Malone	97
Bri Geurts	85
Josie Johnson	66
Natalie Schmitz	66

Consecutive Matches Played

Madi Malone	97
Josie Johnson	63
Natalie Schmitz	63

Sets Played

Madi Malone	360
Bri Geurts	300
Josie Johnson	245
Natalie Schmitz	245

Kills

Madi Malone	1,142
Natalie Schmitz	669
Bri Geurts	411

Double-Figure Kills

Madi Malone	60
Natalie Schmitz	36
Bri Geurts	10

Digs

Madi Malone	938
Kara Erdmann	485
Josie Johnson	392

Double-Figure Digs

Madi Malone	49
Kara Erdmann	20
Josie Johnson	8
Kati Goba	7

Total Blocks

Bri Guerts	175
Lakyn Graves	139*
Czhen Beneby	135*
Madi Malone	108

Assists

Josie Johnson	1,218
Kara Erdmann	85
Madi Malone	59

Double-Doubles

Madi Malone	38
Josie Johnson	8

Service Aces

Madi Malone	64
Josie Johnson	38
Natalie Schmitz	28

* - Milwaukee Stats Only

2024 OVERALL STATISTICS

##	Player	SP	Attack					Set		Serve			RE	Dig		Blocking					BHE	PTS
			K	K/S	E	TA	PCT	A	A/S	SA	SE	SA/S		DIG	DIG/S	BS	BA	TOT/S	BLK/S	BE		
2	Geurts, Bri	12	20	1.67	9	56	.196	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	13	1.08	0	5	5	0.42	0	0	22.5
3	Graves, Lakyn	12	23	1.92	10	56	.232	1	0.08	6	7	0.50	0	7	0.58	3	9	12	1.00	0	0	36.5
4	Johnson, Josie	12	6	0.50	0	28	.214	56	4.67	2	3	0.17	0	19	1.58	0	0	0	0.00	0	1	8.0
5	Tomic, Milica	12	0	0.00	0	21	.000	51	4.25	2	3	0.17	0	21	1.75	0	0	0	0.00	0	1	2.0
6	Lewis, Alexis	12	15	1.25	9	44	.136	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	1	0.08	1	7	8	0.67	0	0	19.5
9	Goba, Kati	12	0	0.00	0	6	.000	4	0.33	0	1	0.00	2	24	2.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.0
11	Schmitz, Natalie	12	37	3.08	11	121	.215	0	0.00	4	6	0.33	4	13	1.08	1	2	3	0.25	0	0	43.0
13	Erdmann, Kara	12	0	0.00	0	10	.000	5	0.42	0	1	0.00	4	61	5.08	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.0
14	Malone, Madi	12	37	3.08	9	122	.230	0	0.00	6	2	0.50	6	38	3.17	0	2	2	0.17	0	0	44.0
15	Hansen, Emily	1	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	1	1	1.00	0	0	0.5
16	Scott, Rachel	12	4	0.33	2	26	.077	1	0.08	0	0	0.00	0	2	0.17	2	6	8	0.67	0	0	9.0
17	Cook, Hallie	9	0	0.00	0	0	.000	1	0.11	0	3	0.00	0	1	0.11	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.0
MILWAUKEE		12	142	11.83	50	490	.188	119	9.92	20	26	1.67	21	200	16.67	7	32	23	1.92	0	2	185.0
Opponents		12	167	13.92	68	531	.186	143	11.92	21	28	1.75	20	224	18.67	10	14	17	1.42	1	1	205.0

FINAL 2023 HORIZON LEAGUE STATISTICS

##	Player	SP	MP-MS	Attack					Set				Serve				
				K	K/S	E	TA	PCT	A	A/S	TA	PCT	SA	SA/S	SE	TA	PCT
2	Geurts, Bri	54	15-3	54	1.00	27	146	.185	3	0.06	17	.176	0	0.00	0	3	1.000
3	Graves, Lakyn	67	18-18	101	1.51	35	225	.293	4	0.06	20	.200	0	0.00	2	2	.000
4	Johnson, Josie	67	18-15	12	0.18	4	41	.195	328	4.90	893	.367	15	0.22	15	250	.940
6	Miller, Ari	67	18-18	194	2.90	48	408	.358	9	0.13	35	.257	16	0.24	20	225	.911
8	Blake, Kaley	67	18-3	4	0.06	1	25	.120	364	5.43	832	.438	17	0.25	9	256	.965
9	Goba, Kati	28	10-1	2	0.07	0	5	.400	34	1.21	94	.362	3	0.11	5	84	.940
10	Beneby, Czhen	35	10-9	59	1.69	28	126	.246	0	0.00	12	.000	0	0.00	0	0	.000
11	Schmitz, Natalie	67	18-7	182	2.72	65	522	.224	2	0.03	26	.077	7	0.10	7	80	.913
12	Lipski, Bella	24	7-3	11	0.46	7	33	.121	0	0.00	5	.000	0	0.00	0	0	.000
13	Erdmann, Kara	41	14-1	0	0.00	1	3	-.333	22	0.54	98	.224	1	0.02	3	82	.963
14	Malone, Madi	67	18-18	253	3.78	64	640	.295	12	0.18	68	.176	21	0.31	10	267	.963
15	Schrader, Sarah	67	18-10	1	0.01	6	19	-.263	53	0.79	141	.376	23	0.34	15	279	.946
16	Scott, Rachel	25	8-2	22	0.88	7	63	.238	4	0.16	14	.286	0	0.00	0	0	.000
17	Jakscht, Mati	2	1-0	0	0.00	0	1	.000	0	0.00	3	.000	0	0.00	0	0	.000
MILWAUKEE		67	18-18	895	13.36	293	2257	.267	835	12.46	2258	.370	103	1.54	86	1528	.944
Opponents		67	18-18	851	12.70	388	2393	.193	808	12.06	2419	.334	109	1.63	124	1377	.910

2024 SEASON BESTS

KILLS

Team: **58** at Northern Illinois (Sept. 1)
 Individual: **18** (Malone) vs. Western Illinois (Aug. 31)
 Opponent: **63** vs. Stanford (Aug. 30)

ATTACK PERCENTAGE (min. 10 kills)

Team: **.213** at Northern Illinois (Sept. 1)
 Individual: **.326** (Schmitz) at Northern Illinois (Sept. 1)
 Opponent: **.361** vs. Stanford (Aug. 30)

ASSISTS

Team: **49** vs. Northern Illinois (Sept. 1)
 Individual: **24** (Johnson) vs. Western Illinois (Aug. 31)
 Opponent: **51** vs. Western Illinois (Aug. 31)

SERVICE ACES

Team: **9** vs. Western Illinois (Aug. 31)
 Individual: **3** (Three Players; Two Opponents)
 Opponent: **10** at Northern Illinois (Sept. 1)

DIGS

Team: **91** vs. Western Illinois (Aug. 31)
 Individual: **31** (Erdmann) vs. Western Illinois (Aug. 31)
 Opponent: **113** vs. Western Illinois (Aug. 31)

TOTAL BLOCKS

Team: **12** vs. Western Illinois (Aug. 31)
 Individual: **6** (Graves) vs. Western Illinois (Aug. 31)
 Opponent: **10** at Northern Illinois (Sept. 1)

2024 SEASON & CAREER HIGHS

1 Tatum Catalano | Sr. | OH/RS**2024 Season Highs**

Kills	n/a
Attempts	n/a
Hitting %	n/a
Blocks	n/a
Digs	n/a
Aces	n/a
Assists	n/a

Career Highs

Kills	4 (Twice)
Attempts	12 (9/9/22 vs. LSU)
Hitting % ..	1.000 [1-0-1] (10/7/22 vs. CSU)
Blocks	4 (Twice)
Digs	4 (10/8/22 vs. OAK)
Aces	same
Assists	1 (Twice)

4 Josie Johnson | Jr. | S**2024 Season Highs**

Kills	3 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Attempts	16 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Hitting %	1.000 (8/30 vs. Stanford)
Blocks	n/a
Digs	10 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Aces	1 (Twice)
Assists	24 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)

Career Highs

Kills	3 (Three Times)
Attempts	same
Hitting % ...	1.000 [2-0-2] (10/13/23 at Oak.)
Blocks	1 (Three Times)
Digs	16 (9/15/23 vs. Air Force)
Aces	3 (10/6/23 vs. Northern Ky.)
Assists	32 (9/8/23 vs. Western Illinois)

7 Gabby Wire | Fr. | OH**2024 Season Highs**

Kills	n/a
Attempts	n/a
Hitting %	n/a
Blocks	n/a
Digs	n/a
Aces	n/a
Assists	n/a

Career Highs

Kills	same
Attempts	same
Hitting %	same
Blocks	same
Digs	same
Aces	same
Assists	same

2 Bri Geurts | Sr. | RS/MB**2024 Season Highs**

Kills	8 (8/30 vs. Stanford)
Attempts	26 (9/1 at Northern Illinois)
Hitting %	.350 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Blocks	2 (Twice)
Digs	6 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Aces	n/a
Assists	n/a

Career Highs

Kills	15 (9/8/23 vs. Western Illinois)
Attempts	30 (9/17/22 vs. New Mexico St.)
Hitting %	.750 [3-0-4] (Twice)
Blocks	9 (10/8/22 vs. Oakland)
Digs	6 (Three Times)
Aces	2 (Five Times)
Assists	3 (Twice)

5 Milica Tomic | Fr. | S**2024 Season Highs**

Kills	n/a
Attempts	15 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Hitting %	n/a
Blocks	n/a
Digs	9 (9/1 vs. Northern Illinois)
Aces	1 (Twice)
Assists	22 (9/1 vs. Northern Illinois)

Career Highs

Kills	same
Attempts	same
Hitting %	same
Blocks	same
Digs	same
Aces	same
Assists	same

8 Jenna Soerens | Fr. | OH/RS**2024 Season Highs**

Kills	n/a
Attempts	n/a
Hitting %	n/a
Blocks	n/a
Digs	n/a
Aces	n/a
Assists	n/a

Career Highs

Kills	same
Attempts	same
Hitting %	same
Blocks	same
Digs	same
Aces	same
Assists	same

3 Lakyn Graves | Sr. | MB**2024 Season Highs**

Kills	10 (9/1 at Northern Illinois)
Attempts	30 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Hitting %	.429 (8/30 vs. Stanford)
Blocks	6 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Digs	4 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Aces	3 (Twice)
Assists	1 (9/1 at Northern Illinois)

Career Highs

Kills	11 (9/30/23 at Youngstown State)
Attempts	30 (Twice)
Hitting % ...	.625 [5-0-8] (9/12/23 vs. DePaul)
Blocks	13 (9/3/21 vs. Arizona State)
Digs	6 (8/25/23 at West. Michigan)
Aces	same
Assists	1 (Five Times)

6 Alexis Lewis | Sr. | MB**2024 Season Highs**

Kills	7 (9/1 at Northern Illinois)
Attempts	20 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Hitting % ...	.429 [4-1-7] (8/30 vs. Stanford)
Blocks	4 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Digs	1 (9/1 at Northern Illinois)
Aces	n/a
Assists	n/a

Career Highs

Kills	14 (10/8/21 vs. Wichita St.)
Attempts	35 (10/15/21 at Tulane)
Hitting %	1.000 [1-0-1] (Twice)
Blocks	6 (9/16/22 vs. Ark. Pine Bluff)
Digs	6 (9/3/22 at TCU)
Aces	1 (8/27/22 vs. East. Washington)
Assists	1 (Four Times)

9 Kati Goba | So. | L/DS**2024 Season Highs**

Kills	n/a
Attempts	4 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Hitting %	n/a
Blocks	n/a
Digs	13 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Aces	n/a
Assists	2 (9/1 at Northern Illinois)

Career Highs

Kills	1 (Twice)
Attempts	same
Hitting %	1.000 [1-0-1] (10/27/23 vs. YSU)
Blocks	1 (9/1/23 vs. Mont. St.)
Digs	16 (11/10/23 vs. Cleveland State)
Aces	1 (Three Times)
Assists	8 (10/28/23 vs. Robert Morris)

2024 SEASON & CAREER HIGHS

10 Czhen Beneby | Sr. | MB/RS**2024 Season Highs**

Kills	n/a
Attempts	n/a
Hitting %	n/a
Blocks	n/a
Digs	n/a
Aces	n/a
Assists	n/a

Career Highs

Kills	15 (11/1/22 vs. PFW)
Attempts	26 (11/5/22 at CSU)
Hitting % ..	.800 [8-0-10] (9/23/22 vs. YSU)
Blocks	6 (Four Times)
Digs	5 (10/22 at YSU)
Aces	same
Assists	1 (Four Times)

13 Kara Erdmann | Jr. | DS**2024 Season Highs**

Kills	n/a
Attempts	5 (Twice)
Hitting %	n/a
Blocks	n/a
Digs	31 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Aces	n/a
Assists	3 (9/1 at Northern Illinois)

Career Highs

Kills	1 (Twice)
Attempts	same
Hitting %	1.000 [1-0-1] (Twice)
Blocks	same
Digs	same
Aces	2 (11/1/22 vs. PFW)
Assists	6 (10/13/23 at Oakland)

16 Rachel Scott | Jr. | RS**2024 Season Highs**

Kills	3 (9/1 at Northern Illinois)
Attempts	14 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Hitting %	.429 [3-0-7] (9/1 at Northern Ill.)
Blocks	4 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Digs	1 (Twice)
Aces	n/a
Assists	1 (9/1 at Northern Illinois)

Career Highs

Kills	9 (9/23/23 vs. PFW)
Attempts	15 (9/23/23 vs. PFW)
Hitting % .	.750 [3-0-4] (9/22/23 vs. IUPUI)
Blocks	7 (9/29/23 at Robert Morris)
Digs	6 (9/29/23 at Robert Morris)
Aces	n/a
Assists	2 (Twice)

11 Natalie Schmitz | Jr. | OH**2024 Season Highs**

Kills	17 (9/1 at Northern Illinois)
Attempts	52 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Hitting % ..	.326 [17-2-46] (9/1 at Northern Ill.)
Blocks	2 (9/1 at Northern Illinois)
Digs	7 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Aces	2 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Assists	n/a

Career Highs

Kills	17 (Five Times)
Attempts ..	54 (9/8/23 vs. Western Illinois)
Hitting % .	.647 [11-0-17] (10/28/23 vs. RMU)
Blocks	4 (Four Times)
Digs	8 (10/6/23 vs Northern Ky.)
Aces	3 (Three Times)
Assists	2 (9/12/23 vs. DePaul)

14 Madi Malone | Sr. | OH**2024 Season Highs**

Kills	18 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Attempts	52 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Hitting %	.288 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Blocks	1 (Twice)
Digs	16 (9/1 at Northern Illinois)
Aces	3 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Assists	n/a

Career Highs

Kills	29 (10/1/21 vs. WSU)
Attempts	66 (10/1/21 vs. WSU)
Hitting % .	.467 [9-2-15] (9/11/21 at C-Ark)
Blocks	4 (9/1/23 vs. Cal. Baptist)
Digs	19 (9/1/23 vs. Mont. St.)
Aces	6 (10/27/23 vs. Youngstown St.)
Assists	3 (Four Times)

17 Hallie Cook | Jr. | DS/L**2024 Season Highs**

Kills	n/a
Attempts	n/a
Hitting %	n/a
Blocks	n/a
Digs	1 (8/30 vs. Stanford)
Aces	n/a
Assists	1 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)

Career Highs

Kills	16 (9/30 vs. Chattanooga)
Attempts	48 (9/30 vs. Chattanooga)
Hitting % .	.500 [3-1-4] (9/22/22 vs. SC St.)
Blocks	3 (9/16 vs. UNC Asheville)
Digs	13 (Twice)
Aces	2 (Five Times)
Assists	2 (Twice)

12 Bella Lipski | So. | MB**2024 Season Highs**

Kills	n/a
Attempts	n/a
Hitting %	n/a
Blocks	n/a
Digs	n/a
Aces	n/a
Assists	n/a

Career Highs

Kills	4 (10/27/23 vs. Youngstown St.)
Attempts ..	8 (10/27/23 vs. Youngstown St.)
Hitting % ..	.500 [4-0-8] (10/27/23 vs. YSU)
Blocks	5 (10/21/23 at IUPUI)
Digs	2 (10/21/23 at IUPUI)
Aces	same
Assists	same

15 Emily Hansen | Fr. | OH/RS**2024 Season Highs**

Kills	n/a
Attempts	n/a
Hitting %	n/a
Blocks	1 (8/31 vs. Western Ill.)
Digs	n/a
Aces	n/a
Assists	n/a

Career Highs

Kills	same
Attempts	same
Hitting %	same
Blocks	same
Digs	same
Aces	same
Assists	same