

UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE



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VOLLEYBALL

UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE VOLLEYBALL

QUICK FACTS

LOCATION: NEWARK, DELAWARE

ENROLLMENT: 16,000 UNDERGRADUATES

NICKNAME: FIGHTN' BLUE HENS

MASCOT: YOJUEE

HOME VENUE: BOB CARPENTER CENTER

ARENA CAPACITY: 5,000

SCHOOL COLORS: ROYAL BLUE & GOLD

CONFERENCE: COLONIAL ATHLETIC CONFERENCE



SARA MATTHEWS

HEAD COACH

MATTHEWS RECENTLY COMPLETED HER SECOND SEASON AT TCU, HELPING THE HORNEFROGS FINISH 15-13 AND WIN SEVEN MATCHES IN THE POWERFUL BIG 12 CONFERENCE. TCU DEFEATED WICHITA STATE IN THE FIRST ROUND OF THE NCAA TOURNAMENT, ADVANCING TO THE NCAA SECOND ROUND FOR JUST THE SECOND TIME IN PROGRAM HISTORY, BEFORE FALLING TO OVERALL TOP SEED NEBRASKA.

AS TCU'S RECRUITING COORDINATOR, MATTHEWS WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN SIGNING THE 15TH-RANKED RECRUITING CLASS ACCORDING TO PREPVOLLEYBALL.COM. THE 2016 CLASS, THE FIRST RECRUITING CLASS TO EVER BE RANKED AT TCU, INCLUDING THE HIGHEST RANKED RECRUIT TO EVER ENTER TCU IN NO. 18 ABIGAIL BUCKINGHAM.

PRIOR TO ARRIVING IN FORT WORTH, MATTHEWS SPENT THREE SEASONS AT WEST VIRGINIA AS AN ASSISTANT COACH AND RECRUITING COORDINATOR UNDER HEAD COACH JILL KRAMER, BEFORE JOINING KRAMER AT TCU. DURING HER THREE SEASONS IN MORGANTOWN, MATTHEWS' THREE RECRUITING CLASSES WERE ALL NAMED PREPVOLLEYBALL.COM HONORABLE MENTION. IN 2014 THE MOUNTAINEERS FINISHED WITH A PROGRAM-HIGH RPI OF 70, AND POSTED THEIR FIRST ALL-AMERICANS IN PROGRAM HISTORY WHEN JORDAN ANDERSON AND NIKKI ATTEA EARNED AVCA ALL-AMERICA HONORABLE MENTION ACCOLADES.

MATTHEWS HELPED WEST VIRGINIA WIN ITS FIRST 10 MATCHES IN 2013, THE BEST START IN PROGRAM HISTORY, AND RECORD THE FIRST 20-WIN SEASON IN OVER TWO DECADES. SHE ALSO HELPED THE MOUNTAINEERS FINISH NO. 74 IN THE RPI THAT YEAR, WHICH WAS 118 SHOTS HIGHER THAN 2012, MARKING THE EIGHTH BEST IMPROVEMENT IN THE COUNTRY AND THE LARGEST AMONG MAJOR CONFERENCE SCHOOLS.

MATTHEWS JOINED WEST VIRGINIA AFTER COACHING WITH THE COAST VOLLEYBALL CLUB IN SAN DIEGO, CALIF. FROM 2010-12.

MATTHEWS BEGAN HER COLLEGIATE COACHING CAREER AS THE DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS AT USC FROM 2008-10. DURING HER STINT WITH THE TROJANS THE SQUAD POSTED A 68-17 RECORD, QUALIFIED FOR THE NCAA TOURNAMENT ALL THREE YEARS, AND ADVANCED TO THE 2010 FINAL FOUR. HER DUTIES INCLUDED OVERSEEING THE PROGRAM'S BUDGET, ORGANIZING TEAM TRAVEL, ARRANGING RECRUITING VISITS, ORGANIZING VOLLEYBALL CAMPS, AND ASSISTING IN THE DAY-TO-DAY OPERATIONS OF THE PROGRAM.

PRIOR TO USC, MATTHEWS SERVED AS A CONSULTANT FOR THE AUSTIN (TEXAS) SPORTS CENTER. SHE ALSO COACHED WITH THE AUSTIN JUNIORS VOLLEYBALL CLUB, SERVED AS AN ASSISTANT COACH FOR THE AUSTIN JUNIORS EUROPE GLOBAL CHALLENGE TEAM, AND COACHED WITH TEXAS ADVANTAGE VOLLEYBALL. SHE LED FOUR DIFFERENT TEAMS TO THE USAV JUNIOR OLYMPICS, WITH THREE OF THOSE SQUADS QUALIFYING IN THE OPEN DIVISION AND HER 17-1'S AUSTIN JUNIORS TEAM CAPTURING GOLD IN 2008.



KIMBERLY LAMBERT

ASSISTANT COACH

KIMBERLY LAMBERT WILL BEGIN HER FIRST SEASON AS AN ASSISTANT COACH WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE VOLLEYBALL PROGRAM DURING THE 2017 SEASON.

LAMBERT RECENTLY COMPLETED HER FIRST SEASON AS DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS AT NORTH CAROLINA STATE, AFTER SHE SERVED AS AN ASSISTANT COACH WITH THE WOLFPACK THE PREVIOUS THREE YEARS. NC STATE WON 20 MATCHES THIS PAST FALL, POSTED A SCHOOL-RECORD 13 ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE VICTORIES, AND NOTCHED THE FIRST TOP 10 WIN IN PROGRAM HISTORY WITH A VICTORY AT 10TH-RANKED FLORIDA STATE.

AS AN ASSISTANT COACH LAMBERT WORKED WITH THE WOLFPACK OUTSIDE HITTERS AND PASSERS, WHILE RECRUITING THE WEST COAST. UNDER HER TUTELAGE, DARIYAN HOPPER FINISHED THE 2014 SEASON RANKED AMONG THE TOP 10 IN THE ACC IN KILLS. PRIOR TO JOINING NC STATE, LAMBERT SPENT THE PREVIOUS FOUR SEASONS AS THE TOP ASSISTANT COACH AT MARSHALL.

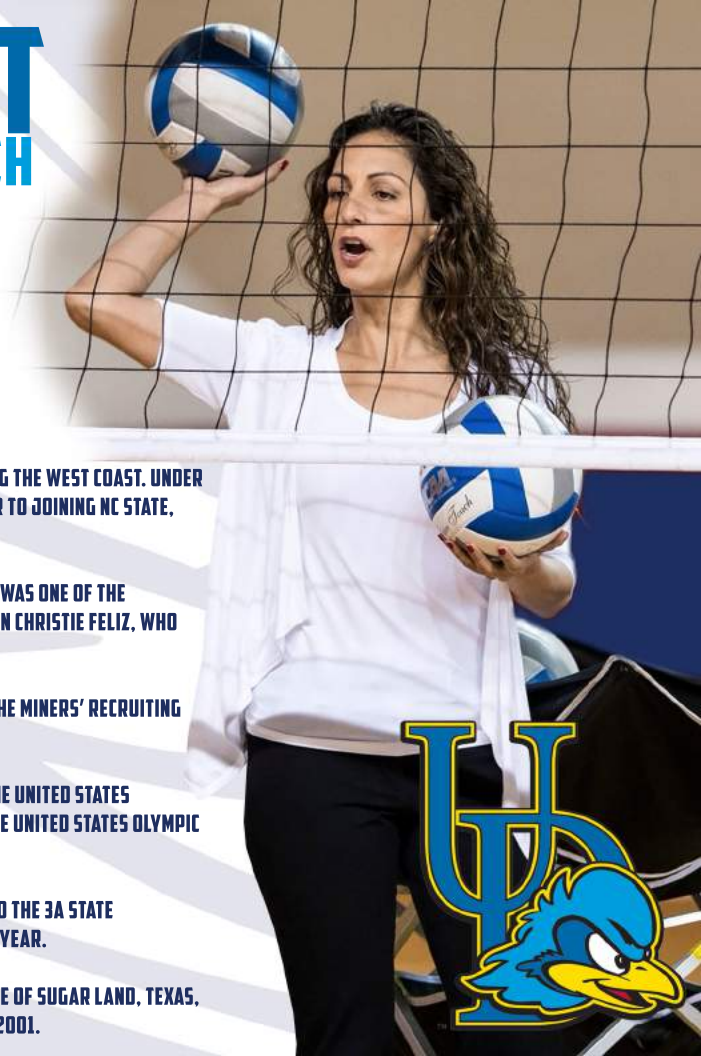
LAMBERT SERVED THREE SEASONS AS THE HEAD COACH AT TEXAS A&M-CORPUS CHRISTI FROM 2006-08, WHERE SHE WAS ONE OF THE YOUNGEST HEAD COACHES IN DIVISION I. SHE COACHED THE 2006 SOUTHLAND CONFERENCE NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR IN CHRISTIE FELIZ, WHO ENDED HER CAREER AS THE SCHOOL'S LEADER IN KILLS PER SET.

PRIOR TO CORPUS CHRISTI, LAMBERT SERVED AS THE TOP ASSISTANT AT UTEP FOR TWO SEASONS, WHERE SHE WAS THE MINERS' RECRUITING COORDINATOR, DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR AND OUTSIDE HITTERS COACH.

IN JANUARY 2005, SHE WAS CHOSEN TO LEAD THE SUN COUNTRY REGION YOUTH HIGH PERFORMANCE TEAM UNDER THE UNITED STATES VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION. AS CO-HEAD COACH, SHE PARTICIPATED IN THE HIGH PERFORMANCE COACHES CLINIC AT THE UNITED STATES OLYMPIC TRAINING CENTER.

LAMBERT SERVED AS HEAD COACH AT CALDWELL (TEXAS) HIGH SCHOOL IN 2003, WHEN SHE LED THE LADY HORNETS TO THE 3A STATE SEMIFINALS. SHE WAS NAMED THE DISTRICT 18-3A COACH OF THE YEAR AND THE BRAZOS VALLEY AREA COACH OF THE YEAR.

LAMBERT SPENT THE 2002 SEASON AS AN ASSISTANT AT RICE, HELPING LEAD THE OWLS TO AN 18-16 RECORD. A NATIVE OF SUGAR LAND, TEXAS, LAMBERT PLAYED COLLEGIATELY AT TEXAS A&M-KINGSVILLE AND EARNED A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN KINESIOLOGY IN 2001.



KEITH ANDERSON

ASSISTANT COACH

KEITH ANDERSON WILL BEGIN HIS FIRST SEASON AS AN ASSISTANT COACH WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE VOLLEYBALL PROGRAM DURING THE 2017 SEASON.

ANDERSON RECENTLY COMPLETED HIS SECOND SEASON AS AN ASSISTANT COACH ON THE TEXAS-ARLINGTON VOLLEYBALL STAFF. HE SERVED AS UTA'S RECRUITING COORDINATOR, WHILE FOCUSING INSTRUCTION WITH THE MAVERICKS' DEFENSIVE SPECIALISTS AND LIBEROS. ANDERSON ALSO WORKED WITH UTA'S MIDDLE BLOCKERS AND SETTERS, DIRECTED OPPONENT SCOUTING REPORTS AND VIDEO BREAKDOWNS, AND SERVED AS THE COORDINATOR OF ALL CAMP OPERATIONS.

ANDERSON HELPED THE MAVERICKS WIN 17 MATCHES AND FINISH IN FOURTH PLACE IN THE SUN BELT CONFERENCE DURING THE 2016 SEASON. LIBERO TAYLOR MURATA SET A PROGRAM RECORD FOR DIGS BY A FRESHMAN, WHILE MIDDLE BLOCKER MADISON MCCONNELL WAS NAMED THE SUN BELT FRESHMAN OF THE WEEK IN LATE SEPTEMBER. UTA WON 19 MATCHES, INCLUDING 10 IN CONFERENCE PLAY, DURING ANDERSON'S FIRST SEASON IN 2015, WHEN STACEY KOCH EARNED SECOND TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE HONORS.

ANDERSON SPENT THE 2014 SEASON AS A VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT COACH AT RICE, HELPING THE OWLS FINISH 23-10 AND COME UP ONE SET SHORT OF WINNING THE CONFERENCE USA TITLE. HE HELPED RICE LEAD THE C-USA IN DIGS PER SET WHILE THE TEAM ALSO PLACED AMONG THE TOP 100 IN THE NATION IN TOTAL DIGS, DIGS PER SET AND OPPONENT HITTING PERCENTAGE.

IN OCTOBER 2014, ANDERSON WAS NAMED ONE OF 12 RECIPIENTS OF THE AVCA COACHES 4 COACHES SCHOLARSHIP.

ANDERSON GRADUATED FROM TEXAS A&M IN 2014 WITH A DEGREE IN SPORT MANAGEMENT AND MINORS IN COACHING AND PSYCHOLOGY. HE PLAYED ON THE MEN'S CLUB VOLLEYBALL TEAM, HELPING LEAD THE AGGIES TO A NATIONAL TITLE IN 2010 WHILE EARNING FIRST TEAM ALL-AMERICAN HONORS.

A WINTHROP HARBOR, ILL. NATIVE, ANDERSON HAS ALSO COACHED AT THE CLUB LEVEL WITH THE BRAZOS VALLEY JUNIORS, WOODLANDS WAVE AND HOUSTON JUNIORS.



"THE BOB"

BOB CARPENTER CENTER, ACIERNO ARENA



THE BOB CARPENTER CENTER IS THE CENTER OF AN EXPANSIVE COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC COMPLEX, THE DAVID M. NELSON ATHLETIC COMPLEX NAMED IN MEMORY OF THE FORMER UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR, DEAN, AND HEAD FOOTBALL COACH.

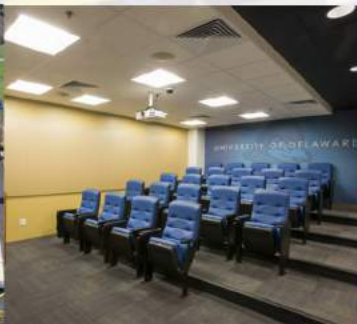
THE BOB CARPENTER CENTER, NAMED IN HONOR OF LONGTIME UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEMBER, ATHLETIC BENEFACTOR, AND FORMER PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES OWNER R.R.M. "BOB" CARPENTER JR. WHO DIED IN 1990, SERVES AS HOME FOR THE UNIVERSITY'S FOOTBALL AND BASKETBALL PROGRAMS AS WELL AS A SITE FOR A WIDE VARIETY OF OTHER EVENTS SUCH AS CONVOCATIONS, CONCERTS, AND BANQUETS.

SPECIAL FEATURES OF THE FACILITY ARE A 120-PERSON FOOTBALL LOCKER ROOM, MEN'S AND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL LOCKER ROOMS, ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES, THE CHUCK HALL MEMORIAL WEIGHT ROOM, AND ATHLETIC TRAINING ROOMS.

DIRECTLY ACCESSIBLE TO THE LOCKER ROOM AREAS ARE THREE CLASSROOM MEETING AREAS AND A 120-SEAT LECTURE HALL USED FOR TEAM MEETINGS, CLASSES, AND PRESS CONFERENCES.

THE BOB CARPENTER CENTER ALSO INCLUDES A COMFORTABLE GLASS-WALLED RECEPTION LOUNGE AREA, THE BOB CARPENTER CLUB, WITH VIEWS INTO DELAWARE STADIUM AND TO THE ACIERNO ARENA; AND A SCOREBOARD WITH A COLOR VIDED MESSAGE CENTER.

THE NEWEST FACILITY, AN ADDITION TO THE BOB CARPENTER CENTER, WAS COMPLETED IN THE SPRING OF 2012. THE 45,000-SQUARE-FOOT ADDITION INCLUDES TWO NEW FULL-SIZED PRACTICE GYMNASIUMS THAT ARE USED BY UD ATHLETICS TEAMS, CLUB SPORTS, AND INTRAMURALS, MEETING ROOM, FILM ROOMS, LOCKER ROOMS, TEAM LOUNGES, OFFICES FOR THE MEN'S BASKETBALL, WOMEN'S BASKETBALL, AND VOLLEYBALL COACHING STAFFS AS WELL AS FOR ATHLETICS DEVELOPMENT AND EXTERNAL RELATIONS, AND AN AREA THAT HOUSES THE UD ATHLETICS HALL OF FAME.



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THE UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE IS A RESEARCH-FOCUSED UNIVERSITY WITH A WIDE ARRAY OF PROGRAMS, DEPARTMENTS, SCHOOLS, CENTERS AND MANY AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS.



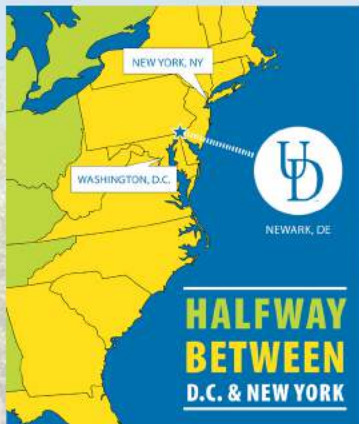
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