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Strong class to join team in the fall

Women's Volleyball

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STATESBORO - Georgia Southern head volleyball coach [Dustin Wood](#) announced Monday the addition of four newcomers who will join the program in the fall. The four joining the program are: Camila Gómez (Santiago, Chile), Madison Brown (Lake City, Ill.), Nicoleta Meyer (Morris, Ill.) and Delaney DeCinces (Newport Beach, Calif.).

"We are very pleased as a program about rounding out this 2018 recruiting class. My staff did a great job finishing out this class with some difference makers," Wood said. "We are bringing in some talent that will help us right away and this group will raise the level in our gym tremendously. I am excited to see what these kids can accomplish."

Camila Gómez, 5-7, OH, Santiago, Chile/Colegio Alemán de Santiago/Club Manquehue

Competed for U20 and U23 Chile National Team • Captain of both high school and club teams • Named Best School Athlete of the country in 2016 and 2017 (chosen by the Chilean school league) • Club team won first place at youth national championship in 2014 and 2016 • Won Best Spiker at youth national championship in 2016 and 2017 and Best Player in 2017 • High School won national championship from 2013-17, took 13th place world school championship 2016 and third place world school championship 2017 (beach volleyball) • Also a national champion in the javelin throw in 2013, 2015 and 2017; won first place at the German Schools national championship from 2014-17.

Wood on Gómez: "We are very excited to have Camila join our family. She comes to us with lots of experience. She will not be your typical freshman. She has spent time with the Chilean National Team and U23 Team. She has been playing against the top players in South America in qualification. Georgia Southern was the perfect fit for her and she will ready when she gets here in June. She does everything well, which is important as an outside hitter in our system. She has great ball control, defense and can score on the pin. She is a tenacious competitor, which will help our team compete night in and out."

Madison Brown, 5-10, Setter, Lake City, Ill./Arthur Lovington Atwood Hammond/Ilini Elite18 Cardinal

Lettered four times for Coach Emily Crossman at Arthur Lovington Atwood Hammond High School • A three-time first-team all-conference honoree, earning unanimous honors as a junior and senior • A 2014 honorable mention by the News Gazette, • Also earned MVP in 2017, 2017 Athlete of the Week by News Gazette and the 2016 Hustle Award • As a senior, tallied 649 assists, 56 kills, 33 blocks, 63 aces and 104 digs • Set the school record for career digs with 1,872 • Also lettered in basketball and softball • Played for Coach Kyle Caldwell and the Ilini Elite 18 Cardinal club team • Team took third at the 2016 JVA World Challenge, second at the 2017 Bluegrass, was the 2017 Pre-Nationals Champions and placed 11th at the 2017 AAUs.

Wood on Brown: "Madison has really developed into the setter we need her to be next year. She is running a very good offense right now in her club and we saw her a few times this year out recruiting and she is only getting better and better each week. She directs and has control of the offense and she plays great defense. She is working hard to be ready when she gets here so she can hit the ground running. She know how to win and has proven that through the years. She will come in and compete for a starting job and playing time."

Nicoleta Meyer, 5-8, Setter, Morris, Ill./Joliet Catholic Academy/Uno Volleyball Club

Lettered four seasons for Hall of Fame Coach Christine Scheibe at Joliet Catholic Academy • Helped the Angels to a No. 2 ranking in IHSA 4A, a region championship and a 28-8 record as a senior • Helped Joliet to the 3A state finals in 2014 and 2015 • Played club for Coach Terri Baranski at UNO Volleyball Club • National Honor Society • Played basketball and softball her freshman year in high school • Father, Raymond, played football at Iowa.

Wood on Meyer: "Nico fell in love with Georgia Southern and our program. She will make a positive impact on our team and will add needed depth in our setting position. She will learn the ins and outs of our offense and I know she will develop the understanding of our system with time. She comes from a solid club background. Her family has instilled the values that we look for in a player and her dad was a former student-athlete. She is hardworking and will get better as she goes through our program."

Delaney DeCinces, 5-11, Setter, Newport Beach, Calif./Newport Harbor/Saddleback Valley

Earned three varsity letters and started three seasons for Coach Dan Glenn at Newport Harbor • Collected 852 assists, 95 digs, 17 blocks and nine aces in her senior season and named First-Team All-Sunset League • Played four years of varsity beach volleyball and placed second in the 2017 Orange County Beach Volleyball League Championships • Played club for Coach Ki Yi at Saddleback Valley Volleyball Club • Grandfather, Doug DeCinces, played 15 seasons in Major League Baseball for the Baltimore Orioles and California Angels, and father, Tim DeCinces, played collegiately at UCLA and was a member of the Orioles organization • Aunt, Amy Williams (DeCinces) played volleyball at the University of Michigan.

Wood on DeCinces: "Delaney and Georgia Southern fit perfectly together. Delaney allows us to have more options in what type of system we can run. She comes from a great family and club and knows how to win. She will be ready to hit the ground running also with our offense. She makes great decisions and knows how to direct an offense. I am very impressed with her development as a setter and her work ethic. She understands the game and will continue to get better. So excited to see where she will be when she comes in June. She will come in and compete for a starting job and playing time."

The Eagles return four starters to the 2018 roster.

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