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Women's Volleyball

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Crysten Curry, MB, Athens, Ga., 2012-15

Where do you currently reside?

Atlanta

What is your current employer and job title?

Manager of media relations at AMBSE (Mercedes Benz Stadium and Atlanta Falcons)

What's a fun fact about yourself?

I have a knack for using the best social media memes and GIFs in a conversation.

Why Georgia Southern?

I wanted an environment where winning was prioritized and quickly realized the coaches, players

and administration were all on the same page. That winning mentality manifested in many ways (academically, athletically, relationally, etc.), which helped prepare me for the real world.

What advice do you have for current Georgia Southern volleyball student-athletes?

Approach every practice with the same hunger as a beginner but play every match with the same confidence of an expert.

What did you major in?

Public relations

What was your favorite spot at Georgia Southern?

On campus: Locker Room

Off campus: Gnats

What's your favorite memory at Georgia Southern?

Winning the 2013 SoCon Championship

Sarah Gildersleeve, MH, Naples, Fla., 2007-10

Where do you currently reside?

Greer, South Carolina

What is your current employer and job title?

Associate Athletics Director of Student-Athlete Enrichment/Senior Woman Administrator at USC Upstate

What's a fun fact about yourself?

Nickname is Sleeve – anyone who calls me that immediately has a special place in my heart :)

Why Georgia Southern?

I loved the idea of being in a college town that supported the University like Statesboro does. I also loved the rich tradition within athletics. When I drove into Sweetheart Circle, I immediately knew it was home even before I met a soul on campus.

What advice do you have for current Georgia Southern volleyball student-athletes?

As best you can, live in the moment and write it down. Being able to look back on the memories you are creating through the lens of your college-aged self is something that you will value for years to come! Also, build meaningful relationships with your teammates, but also with your coaches and those that you find that support you. These relationships last far beyond your time at Southern.



What did you major in?

Undergrad: Sports Management

Masters: Higher Education Administration

What was your favorite spot at Georgia Southern?

This is tough – Sweetheart Circle because of its nostalgia, not only my time at Southern, but for the University as a whole.

What's your favorite memory at Georgia Southern?

Winning the Southern Conference Tournament in 2010 and competing in the NCAA Tournament.



Alex Beecher, L, Orlando, Fla., 2012-17

Where do you currently reside?

Nashville, Tenn.

What is your current employer and job title?

Commercial Sales Account Manager for Dell

What's a fun fact about yourself?

I aspire to open a food truck in Nashville and make millions !:)

Why Georgia Southern?

I chose Georgia Southern because I loved being at a large-scale school with a small feel. It was also close enough to drive home (Orlando) if needed, and the

culture and support around sports made me excited to be a part of it.

What advice do you have for current Georgia Southern volleyball student-athletes?

My advice would be to love the high but to also love the lows! The hard times have taught me lifelong lessons. I use college volleyball experiences every time I'm in an interview to show leadership qualities, how

I've overcome adversity and how to work well with a team. It may be hard in the moment, but it makes you grow more than you can believe!

What did you major in?

Marketing

What was your favorite spot at Georgia Southern?

GATA's, Gnats, Millhouse

What's your favorite memory at Georgia Southern?

Winning the 2013 SoCon Championship

Kate Van Dyke, S, Shawnee, Kansas, 2009-12

Where do you currently reside?

Kansas City

What is your current employer and job title?

Consultant for Cerberus Corporation

What's a fun fact about yourself?

After graduating from Georgia Southern, I spent 10 months playing volleyball in France. I lived with three other Americans who were on my team. We played in cities all around France and used our free weekends to explore and take trips to different countries.



Why Georgia Southern?

The team and the campus. The coaches had a great culture they were developing for success both on and off the court, and the girls were people I knew I would connect with and be lifelong friends with. The beauty of the campus and the warm Georgia weather also helped a lot.

What advice do you have for current Georgia Southern volleyball student-athletes?

Enjoy it while you can! Being a college athlete is hard, but there is nothing quite like it. Always go the extra mile - it will lead to memories that you can cherish forever. And of course, have fun while you are doing it!

What did you major in?

Psychology

What was your favorite spot at Georgia Southern?

Sweetheart Circle is always a must-see spot on campus. I also really enjoyed El Sombrero with the team after open gyms in the summer.

What's your favorite memory at Georgia Southern?

Winning the Southern Conference tournament in 2010 and being 2012 regular-season champs.

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