



2011 Virginia Tech VOLLEYBALL • Match 23 & 24 Notes

2011 Schedule 13-9 Overall, 6-5 ACC

Hokie Tournament		
8/26	CLEVELAND STATE	W, 3-0
8/27	HIGH POINT	W, 3-1
	INDIANA	W, 3-1

Kentucky Classic		
9/2	vs. Ohio	L, 2-3
9/3	vs. Western Kentucky at Kentucky	L, 0-3 L, 0-3

Hokie Invite		
9/9	AMERICAN	W, 3-0
9/10	SETON HALL TENNESSEE	W, 3-0 L, 1-3

Hilton Garden Hokie Invitational		
9/16	VIRGINIA*	W, 3-1
9/17	CHATTANOOGA CONNECTICUT	W, 3-1 W, 3-1

9/23	#21 MIAMI*	L, 0-3
9/24	#23 FLORIDA STATE*	L, 0-3
9/29	at Boston College*	L, 0-3
10/2	at Maryland*	W, 3-2
10/6	WAKE FOREST*^	W, 3-2
10/7	DUKE*	L, 2-3
10/13	at North Carolina*	L, 0-3
10/14	at NC State*	W, 3-2
10/21	GEORGIA TECH*	W, 3-2
10/23	CLEMSON*	W, 3-2
10/28	at #19 Florida State*	7 p.m.
10/30	at Miami*	1 p.m.
11/4	at WakeForest*	7 p.m.
11/5	at Duke*	7 p.m.
11/11	MARYLAND*^	7 p.m.
11/12	BOSTON COLLEGE*^	6 p.m.
11/18	NORTH CAROLINA*^	7 p.m.
11/19	NC STATE*^	6 p.m.
11/25	at Virginia*	7 p.m.

* Denotes ACC matches
CAPS denotes home matches
^ Denotes Hokies All-Access broadcast

This Week:	Friday, Oct. 28	at No. 19 Florida State	7:00 p.m.
		<i>Tulley Gym • Tallahassee, Fla.</i>	
	Sunday, Oct. 30	at Miami^	1:00 p.m.
		<i>Knight Sports Complex • Coral Gables, Fla.</i>	
Coverage:	<i>Live Stats - www.hokiesports.com (Bottom of page)</i>		
	^ <i>Television: RSN</i>		

After extending its winning streak to three matches with a pair of five-set victories over the weekend, Tech will take its show to the Sunshine State to take on No. 19 Florida State and later hit Miami for its only televised game of the year. Junior Cara Baarendse has been red hot as of late for the Hokies, who have claimed five five-set wins in the past seven matches.

Series Info

Florida State - The Seminoles have had much success against Tech as they hold a 27-3 all-time advantage, first matching up in 1980. The Hokies claimed a 3-2 victory in 2010 in Blacksburg that gave them their first ever victory over a ranked opponent, as FSU was the No. 25 team in the country at that time. The Seminoles were ranked No. 23 when the teams faced off earlier in the year, and hold the No. 19 spot this week, marking the sixth-consecutive time they have faced Tech as a ranked opponent.

Miami - The Hurricanes boast the series lead against the Hokies, 12-5. The two teams have only met as conference foes, both in the ACC and BIG EAST. First matching up in 2002, the only time they have faced off outside of the regular season was during the 2002 BIG EAST Tournament. The first meeting in 2011 marked the first time either team has been ranked in a meeting, as Miami was tied for No. 21 in that week's poll.

First Time Around

Tech is now entering the second half of conference play as it has played every league team once already this season and the Florida teams will kick off the home stretch. Tech will look to improve on the previous outcomes earlier in the year when both teams ranked in top 25 that week, and each swept the Hokies in Blacksburg.

Justine Record notched her sixth double-double of the season against the then-No. 21 Hurricanes (12 k, 11d), while Morgan O'Neill scooped up 17 digs. Freshman Alyssa Gammell was the only Tech player to reach double-digits in any category the following evening as she threw down a career-high 10 kills against then-No. 23 Florida State.

VOLLEYBALL FACTS

Coaching Info

Head Coach	Chris Riley
	(Jacksonville '93)
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Year at Tech	Sixth
Record at VT/Career	90-67/234-121
Assistant Coaches....	Shelbylynn McBride
	(George Mason '05)
	Jen Malcom (Iowa State '08)

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PLAYER SPOTLIGHT

Jordan Fish • Freshman • Setter • North Branch, Mich.

Freshman Jordan Fish had an impressive weekend against Clemson and Georgia Tech last week as she put together her first career double-double against the Tigers after being just one dig away from the accomplishment days before versus the Yellow Jackets. Fish's 23 assists and 12 digs against Clemson was just one helper away from matching her career high as she recorded her sixth 20-plus assist match of the season.

In Tech's current three-match winning streak, Fish has tallied at least 20 assists in each outing, as she shares the setting duties with senior Erin Leaser.

Scouting Report

Florida State - The Seminoles boast the No. 19 ranking in the country as this weekend marks their sixth straight meeting with Tech as a top-25 member. FSU's 11-0 conference record is the best in the league, while they also sit at 17-4 on the season. The Seminoles are a force this season, sitting at 8-0 at Tulley Gym so far.

Coming off a sweep of Boston College and a 3-1 win at Maryland, Jekarterina Stepanova currently leads the Seminoles with 224 kills (3.07/s) this season, while Dugyu Duzceler has handled the setting and tossed up 459 assists (6.20/s) on the year. Katie Mosher is one of three players on the FSU roster with 200-plus digs as she has scooped up 343 (4.64/s). Ashley Neff, the league's leader in blocks, upped her season total to 124 (1.68/s), including 14 solo blocks.

Miami - After being ranked in the first meeting this season the Hurricanes have just dropped out of the top 25 entering this weekend. They sit at 17-3 this season and 8-3 in conference play. Miami will host Virginia on Friday before welcoming the Hokies for a Sunday TV match.

After falling to Georgia Tech, the Hurricanes bounced back last week with a pair of 3-1 road wins over Boston College and Maryland.

Lane Carico paces the offense with 243 kills (3.52/s) and 19 service aces, while Katie Gallagher has tossed up 786 assists (11.07/s). Ryan Schaffer leads the defense with 315 digs (4.44/s). Six players have tallied double-digit blocks for the Seminoles, while four have gotten up for at least 30. Emani Simms leads all FSU players at the net with 59 blocks on the season, 0.89 per set.

Among the Best

Tech currently ranks among the nation's and ACC's best in blocks and service aces. As a team, the Hokies hold the No. 32 spot in the nation as they average 2.57 blocks per set. The average is also good for third among league teams. Sophomore middle blocker Victoria Hamsher is a big part of Tech's impressive numbers as she is the only individual to represent Tech nationally, ranking 39th in the nation with a 1.24 blocks per-set average.

Tech also currently sits at second among conference teams as it averages 1.27 aces per set on the season.

Top Competition

The Hokies will face some tough competition this weekend as No. 19 Florida State and Miami rank among the ACC's and nation's best. The Seminoles rank third in the country in blocks (3.16/s), 12th in hitting percentage (.273) and 27th in kills (13.96/s) as a team, while the Hurricanes hold the No. 11 spot in assists (13.38/s), No. 2 spot in digs (18.9/s), No. 13 spot in hitting percentage (.265) and No. 6 spot in kills (14.48/s).

Individually, FSU's Alexa Rand leads the nation with 1.68 blocks per set. Sareea Freeman holds the No. 41 spot with 1.24 bps for the Seminoles. Miami's Katie Gallagher ranks 27th with 11.07 aps, while Ali Becker holds the No. 16 spot, hitting at a .389 clip.

Party For Five

The Hokies have been a part of seven five-set matches this season, six of those coming in conference play. They have only dropped two five-set matches this season, against Ohio and Duke. Six of the last seven outings have gone to the deciding set, including Tech's three-match winning streak.

Owning October

As a team, Tech is 5-2 through the month of October and has set a new team season high in every statistical category except hitting percentage and aces.

Tech's starting lineup has also prospered through the fall month as Morgan O'Neill has grabbed double-digit digs in all seven matches, including three 20-plus outings. Victoria Hamsher has tallied at least four blocks in each match, while Erin Leaser has tossed up 21-plus assists six times throughout October. Four of Jennifer Wiker's double-digit kills matches have come in October's seven matches, while Kathryn Caine has solidified her spot in the starting lineup and has not missed a set or a start this month. Justine Record's three 20-plus dig outings have all happened this month.

Terps Turnaround

In true dramatic fashion, the Hokies made a huge turnaround when they came from behind to top Maryland 3-2 on the road. The victory was Tech's first in the three matches and the first road win of the season for the squad.

Numerous players put up season and career-best numbers in the match as five different Hokies set new highs. As a team, Tech set new season highs, to date, in kills, assists and digs.

The Hokies kept things rolling as they hosted Wake Forest the very next match and rallied for a 3-2 win over the Deacons. Two players tallied 20-plus digs for the second-straight match while Justine Record and Erin Leaser recorded double-doubles. As a team, Tech set new kills (68) and assists (63) marks.

Raising the Baar

Junior middle blocker Cara Baarendse has

2011 HOKIE HIGHS AND LOWS

Highest Attack%	.313, vs. UConn (9/17)
Lowest Attack%	.063, vs. #23 Florida State (9/24)
Most Kills	68, vs. Wake Forest (10/6)
Least Kills	29, at North Carolina (10/13)
Most Attempts	202, vs. Clemson (10/23)
Least Attempts	85, vs. American (9/9)
Most Assists	63, vs. Wake Forest (10/6)
Least Assists	29, at North Carolina (10/13)
Most Aces	12, vs. High Point (8/27)
Least Aces	0, vs. WKU (9/3)
Most Digs	87, at Maryland (10/2)
Least Digs	29, vs. American (9/9)
Most Blocks	16.5, at NC State (10/14)
Least Blocks	3, vs. #23 Florida State (9/24)

2011 OPPONENTS HIGHS AND LOWS

Highest Attack%	.392, vs. Tennessee (9/10)
Lowest Attack%	.052, vs. Ohio (9/2)
Most Kills	68, at NC State (10/14)
Least Kills	29, Twice
Most Attempts	189, at NC State (10/14)
Least Attempts	83, vs. American (9/9)
Most Assists	60, Twice
Least Assists	25, Twice
Most Aces	7, Three Times
Least Aces	1, Three Times
Most Digs	86, vs. Wake Forest (10/6)
Least Digs	28, vs. American (9/9)
Most Blocks	21, vs. Ohio (9/2)
Least Blocks	4, vs. Connecticut (9/17)

been red hot offensively as she has led the squad in kills in four of the last five outings. After setting a new career high in kills against Maryland, the Mason, Ohio, native has reset that mark three other times, including last weekend when she threw down 17 against Georgia Tech.

Baarendse, who was named to the Preseason All-ACC team, has tallied a team-best 12 double-digit kills matches. For her performance during the Hokie Tournament earlier in the season, Baarendse earned Tournament MVP and Virginia Tech Hardees Star of the Week honors.

Serving Up Greatness

Senior outside hitter Justine Record is currently tied for fifth on Tech's all-time career aces list with 157 to date. Record matched her previous career high earlier in the year with six aces against High Point and came up big for the Hokies recently against Clemson as she started the fifth set off with two consecutive aces and nearly had a third as she forced an attacking error.

The Redwood City, Calif., native leads the team with nine double-doubles on the year after tallying two over the weekend against Clemson and Georgia Tech.

-Sher Thing

Sophomore middle blocker Victoria Hamsher has spearheaded Tech's net game this season as she leads the team with 107 total blocks. Her 1.24 per-set average makes her the only player on the team to rank nationally in any category and puts her at fourth among league members.

The Nazareth, Pa., native tallied double-digit kills in two of the three matches during the Hilton Garden Hokie Invitational, including a new career high, 16, against Chattanooga. Hamsher also set a new season-high with seven blocks in that match, only to later up the total to eight against UConn. For her efforts she was named Virginia Tech Hardees Star of the Week.

Leaser on the Loose

Senior setter Erin Leaser has been Tech's primary setter over the past three seasons and currently sits in third place in Tech's all-time record books with 4,312 assists to date.

Though she is splitting the setting duties this season, the Allentown, Pa., native remains as the starter and has tossed up 20-plus assists in each of the last three matches as well as on 17 occasions this year. Leaser's 34-assist effort against Wake Forest helped the team set a new assists season high (63).

Big Weekend for Wiker

Redshirt-junior Jennifer Wiker gave Tech an offensive boost during the Hilton Garden Hokie Invitational in the beginning of the season when she threw down 10 kills against UVa and 11 versus UConn. Wiker made it back-to-back double-digit kills outings for the first time this season when she tallied a season-high 16 kills at Maryland and 14 against Wake Forest.

Wiker, who has already earned a degree in finance and is currently working towards her MBA, recently went back-to-back again with 10 kills against Georgia Tech and Clemson last weekend.

Last Line of Defense

Junior libero Morgan O'Neill has been outstanding for the Hokies after making the move to libero this season. O'Neill set a new career high earlier in the

2011 Statistical Leaders

Kills	Cara Baarendse (227)
Kills/Set	Cara Baarendse (2.64)
Hit%	Cara Baarendse (.312)
Assists	Erin Leaser (557)
Assists/Set	Erin Leaser (6.48)
Aces	Justine Record (29)
Aces/Set	Justine Record (0.36)
Digs	Morgan O'Neill (344)
Digs/Set	Morgan O'Neill (4.05)
BS	Victoria Hamsher (10)
BA	Victoria Hamsher (97)
TB	Victoria Hamsher (107)
Blocks/Set	Victoria Hamsher (1.24)

Individual Match Highs

Kills	Cara Baarendse, 17 vs. Georgia Tech (10/21)
Hit%	Victoria Hamsher, .875 vs. Cleveland State (8/26)
Assists	Erin Leaser, 46 vs. Ohio (9/2)
Aces	Justine Record, 6 vs. High Point (8/27)
Digs	Morgan O'Neill, 29 at Maryland (10/2) & vs. Chattanooga (9/17)
BS	Victoria Hamsher, 2, Three Times
BA	Victoria Hamsher, 8 vs. UConn (9/17); Cara Baarendse, 8 vs. Ohio (9/2)
TB	Cara Baarendse, 9 vs. Ohio (9/2)

The Last Time...

30-kill match	Lisa Pikalek, 35 at Liberty (9/15/92)
30-dig match	Jill Gergen, 37 vs. Clemson (10/17/09)
60-assist match	Erin Leaser, 62 vs. Miami (10/30/10)
10-block match	Victoria Hamsher, 10 vs. Towson (9/18/10)
5-Ace match	Justine Record, 6 vs. High Point (8/27/11)
Triple-double	Michelle Lang, 13 kills, 22 assists, 10 digs vs. UConn (8/29/08)
500-kill season	Lisa Pikalek, 653 (1992)
500-dig season	Amanda Cloyd, 617 (2007)
1,500-assist season	Kelly Chambliss, 1,698 (1992)
150-block season	Felicia Willoughby, 172 (2007)



Sophomore Victoria Hamsher notched back-to-back six-block matches as she dominated the net against NC State and Georgia Tech.

Junior Morgan O'Neill recorded her fifth 20-plus digs match of the season against Clemson this weekend as she was just one away from her career high after scooping up 28.



year against Chattanooga when she scooped up 29 digs, and matched the total in Tech's win over Maryland. O'Neill made back-to-back 20-plus digs matches as she scooped up 25 against Wake Forest. She recently nearly matched her career high for a third time this season when she recorded 28 digs against Clemson.

The Atherton, Calif., native averages 4.05 digs per set, good for ninth in the conference.

Fresh Start

Freshman Kathryn Caine has been a staple in Tech's starting lineup for much of this season and leads all other newcomers with 13 starts so far. The McLean, Va., native wiped out all of her previous career highs when she threw down seven kills and hit at a season-best .429 clip at Maryland. Caine upped her single-match numbers against Wake Forest as she tallied eight kills and got up for five blocks.

Setting Up Early Success

Freshman Jordan Fish made the first start of her career against Virginia and rose to the occasion. While splitting time with senior setter Erin Leaser, Fish tallied a career-high 24 assists in the match, along with six digs. Fish nearly matched that total the following night against UConn when she tossed up 21 helpers.

Fish was part of a new team season high as her 23 assists against Wake Forest helped the Hokies tally 63 total assists in the match. She recently notched the first double-double of her career as she tallied 23 assists and 12 digs against Clemson for her third straight 20-plus assist match.

Career Weekend for Tech

Four different upperclassmen wiped out career highs during the Hilton Garden Hokie Invitational. Headlining the top performers was sophomore Victoria Hamsher who tallied 16 kills against Chattanooga and earned season bests in consecutive matches with seven and then eight block assists.

Junior Cara Baarendse's 16 digs against Virginia set a new personal mark, while senior Erin Leaser's four service aces also set a new bar. Junior Morgan O'Neill set a new team season high as she got down for 29 digs against Chattanooga.

Top Tier in Tournaments

The Hokies ended a 23-match home tournament winning streak this season. The streak dated back to the 2005 season. Tech extended the streak earlier this year as it swept the competition at the Hokie Tournament and seemed to keep things rolling during the Hokie Invite as it swept American in its first match and later Seton Hall the following day. The final match of the tournament did the Hokies in, though, as they fell 3-1 to a talented Tennessee team.

Historic Happenings

The Hokies made history last season when they earned their first-ever bid to the NCAA Tournament after an impressive regular season. Tech also earned its first tournament victory when it defeated Delaware, 3-0, in the opening round. En route to the post season, the Hokies wrapped up the regular season with the 600th win in program history and the 26th win over in-state rival Virginia, 3-2.

Midway through conference play, Tech claimed its first win over a ranked opponent as it defeated then-No. 25 Florida State, 3-2, in Cassell Coliseum.

Double-Digit Kills

Cara Baarendse (12)

17 vs. Georgia Tech (10/21)
16 vs. Duke (10/7)
15 at NC State (10/14)
15 vs. Wake Forest (10/6)
14 at Maryland (10/2)
13 vs. Clemson (10/23)
13 vs. Connecticut (9/17)
13 vs. Virginia (9/16)
11 vs. Cleveland State (8/26)
10 vs. Tennessee (9/10)
10 vs. American (9/9)
10 vs. Indiana (8/27)

Justine Record (10)

19 vs. Wake Forest (10/6)
14 vs. Ohio (9/2)
13 vs. American (9/9)
13 vs. Kentucky (9/3)
12 vs. #21 Miami (9/23)
11 vs. Tennessee (9/10)
11 vs. Cleveland State (8/26)
11 vs. High Point (8/27)
10 vs. Clemson (10/23)
10 vs. Georgia Tech (10/21)

Jennifer Wiker (8)

16 at Maryland (10/2)

15 vs. Ohio (9/2)
14 vs. Wake Forest (10/6)
12 vs. Indiana (8/27)
11 vs. Connecticut (9/17)
10 vs. Clemson (10/23)
10 vs. Georgia Tech (10/21)
10 vs. Virginia (9/16)

Samantha Gostling (7)

13 vs. Ohio (9/2)
12 at Boston College (9/29)
12 vs. Indiana (8/27)
11 vs. Clemson (10/23)
11 at NC State (10/14)
11 vs. Connecticut (9/17)
11 vs. High Point (8/27)

Victoria Hamsher (3)

16 vs. Chattanooga (9/17)
10 vs. Virginia (9/16)
10 vs. Indiana (8/27)

Alyssa Gammel (1)

10 vs. #23 FSU (9/24)

Double-Digit Digs

Morgan O'Neill (17)

29 at Maryland (10/2)
29 vs. Chattanooga (9/17)
28 vs. Clemson (10/23)
25 vs. Wake Forest (10/6)
25 vs. Virginia (9/16)
18 vs. Connecticut (9/17)
17 vs. #21 Miami (9/23)
17 vs. Cleveland State (8/26)
16 vs. Georgia Tech (10/21)
16 at NC State (10/14)
15 vs. Duke (10/7)
14 vs. Indiana (8/27)
13 vs. Kentucky (9/2)
13 vs. Ohio (9/2)
10 at North Carolina (10/13)
10 at Boston College (9/29)
10 vs. High Point (8/27)

Justine Record (13)

24 at Maryland (10/2)
21 vs. Wake Forest (10/6)
20 at NC State (10/14)
19 vs. Virginia (9/16)
18 vs. Ohio (9/2)
16 vs. Clemson (10/23)
15 vs. Cleveland State (8/26)
14 vs. Georgia Tech (10/21)

13 vs. Duke (10/7)
12 vs. High Point (8/27)
11 vs. #21 Miami (9/23)
11 vs. Tennessee (9/10)
11 vs. American (9/9)

Cara Baarendse (5)

16 at Maryland (10/2)
16 vs. Virginia (9/16)
15 vs. Clemson (10/23)
11 vs. Kentucky (9/3)
10 at NC State (10/14)

Erin Leaser (2)

13 vs. Ohio (9/2)
11 vs. Wake Forest (10/6)

Kirsten Higareda (1)

14 vs. Ohio (9/2)

Jordan Fish (1)

12 vs. Clemson (10/23)

Double-Doubles

Justine Record (9)

19 kills, 21 digs vs. Wake Forest (10/6)
14 kills, 18 digs vs. Ohio (9/2)
13 kills, 11 digs vs. American (9/9)
12 kills, 11 digs vs. #21 Miami (9/23)
11 kills, 11 digs vs. Tennessee (9/10)
11 kills, 15 digs vs. Cleveland State (8/26)
11 kills, 12 digs vs. High Point (8/27)
10 kills, 16 digs vs. Clemson (10/23)
10 kills, 14 digs vs. Georgia Tech (10/21)

Cara Baarendse (4)

15 kills, 10 digs at NC State (10/14)
14 kills, 16 digs at Maryland (10/2)
13 kills, 16 digs vs. Virginia (9/16)
13 kills, 15 digs vs. Clemson (10/23)

Erin Leaser (2)

46 assists, 13 digs vs. Ohio (9/2)
34 assists, 11 digs vs. Wake Forest (10/6)

Jordan Fish (1)

23 assists, 12 digs vs. Clemson (10/23)

2011 Virginia Tech Volleyball Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Cl.	Hometown	Last School	Club Team
1	Jessica Wellman	L/DS	5' 4"	Jr.	McKinney, Texas	McKinney North	Premier
2	Kirsty Blue	MB	6' 1"	r-Jr.	Geneva, Fla.	Oviedo	Orlando
3	Allison Munter	S	5' 9"	So.	Chesapeake, Va.	Grassfield	Coastal Virginia
4	Jordan Fish	S	5' 9"	Fr.	North Branch, Mich.	North Branch	Michigan Elite
5	Erin Leaser	S	5' 10"	Sr.	Allentown, Pa.	Allentown Central Catholic	Philadelphia
6	Laura Misiewicz	L/DS	5' 5"	So.	Herndon, Va.	Chantilly	Virginia League
7	Justine Record	OH	5' 8"	Sr.	Redwood City, Calif.	Carlmont	Vision
8	Samantha Gostling	OH	6' 1"	So.	Charlotte, N.C.	Ardrey Kell	Carolina Juniors
9	Liz Trinchere	MB	6' 0"	Jr.	Salem, Va.	Glenvar	Roanoke Juniors
10	Cara Baarendse	MB	6' 1"	Jr.	Mason, Ohio	William Mason	Cincy Classics
11	Alyssa Gammel	OH	5' 9"	Fr.	Bakersfield, Calif.	Centennial	Club Jamba
13	Jennifer Wiker	OH	6' 3"	r-Jr.	Charlotte, N.C.	South Mecklenburg	Carolina Juniors
14	Victoria Hamsher	MB	6' 2"	So.	Nazareth, Pa.	Nazareth	Synergy
15	Delaney Pittari	OH	5' 4"	Fr.	Mandeville, La.	Fontainebleau	Louisiana Volleyball
16	Kirsten Higareda	L/DS	5' 4"	Sr.	Woodbridge, Va.	Forest Park	Ichiban
17	Corrie Sanders	L/DS	5' 8"	So.	Virginia Beach, Va.	Frank W. Cox	Coastal Virginia
18	Bailey Dowd	RS	6' 2"	Fr.	Newtown, Pa.	Council Rock North	Synergy
19	Morgan O'Neill	OH/DS	5' 9"	Jr.	Atherton, Calif.	Archbishop Mitty	Vision
20	Kathryn Caine	MB/RS	6' 1"	Fr.	McLean, Va.	Langley	Northern Virginia
21	Gabrielle Talley	L/DS	5' 9"	Fr.	Orlando, Fla.	Lake Highland	Top Select
22	Kelsey Maloney	MB	6' 3"	Sr.	Centreville, Va.	Wisconsin-Madison	Virginia Elite
32	LaTasha Samson-Akpan	MH	6' 0"	Fr.	Fairlawn, Ohio	Copley	Cleveland Volleyball

Head Coach:

Chris Riley (Jacksonville '93) Sixth season

Assistant Coaches:

Shelbylynn McBride (George Mason '05)

Jen Malcom (Iowa State '08)

Volunteer Assistant:

Joe Jablonski

PRONUNCIATION

Baarendse.....	bar-END-zee
Gostling	GOS-ling
Kirstin Higareda	KEER-stin
.....	hig-are-EE-dah
Misiewicz	mih-SHEH-vitz
Trinchere.....	trin-CHAIR-ee
Wiker	wicker

Virginia Tech Volleyball Quick Facts

University Information

Location.....	Blacksburg, Va.
Founded.....	1872
Enrollment.....	31,000
Colors.....	Chicago maroon & burnt orange
Nickname	Hokies
Facility.....	Cassell Coliseum (10,052)
Conference.....	Atlantic Coast Conference
President.....	Charles W. Steger
Director of Athletics	Jim Weaver
Senior Woman Administrator	Sharon McCloskey

Volleyball Information

2010 Record.....	20-12
Conference Record	10-10 (T-7th, ACC)
Starters Returning/Lost	5/1+Libero
Letterwinners Returning/Lost.....	8/2
Newcomers.....	8

Volleyball History

First Year of Volleyball	1977
All-Time Record	611-538-3 (.532)
Home Record	303-129 (.701)

Just Virginia Tech, Please - While the full name of the school is Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, the school is commonly referred to as "Virginia Tech". Founded in 1872 as Virginia Agriculture and Mechanical College, the university changed its name to Virginia Polytechnic Institute in 1896. Fans of the athletic department, as well as media covering the Hokies, shortened the name to VPI, but it eventually became Virginia Tech. The "State University" was added to bring the official title to what it is today. Those covering Hokie athletics are asked to refer to the university as simply "Virginia Tech". Virginia Tech University, VPI and SU, VPI&SU, VT or VA Tech are not recognized names and should not be used.



What is a Hokie, Anyway? - That's the most often-asked question in Virginia Tech athletics. The answer leads all the way back to 1896 when Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College changed its name to Virginia Polytechnic Institute. With the change came the necessity for writing a new cheer and a contest for such a purpose was held by the student body.

Senior O.M. Stull won first prize for his "Hokie" yell which still is used today. Later, when asked if "Hokie" had any special meaning, Stull explained the word was solely the product of his imagination and was used only as an attention-getter for his yell. It soon became a nickname for all Tech teams and for those people loyal to Tech athletics. The official school colors — Chicago maroon and burnt orange — also were introduced in 1896. They were chosen because they made a "unique combination" not worn elsewhere at the time.

Polls & ACC Info

AVCA Coaches' Poll

Rk.	Team	LW
1	Nebraska (38)	4
2	California (8)	2
3	Illinois (2)	1
4	Southern California (12)	3
5	Stanford	5
6	UCLA	6
7	Hawai'i	8
8	Penn State	9
9	Texas	10
10	Washington	7
11	Purdue	12
12	Northern Iowa	11
13	Florida	13
14	Iowa State	15
15	Minnesota	14
16	Oregon	18
17	San Diego	16
18	Pepperdine	17
19	Florida State	19
20	Tennessee	20
21	Oklahoma	22
22	Michigan	21
23	Ohio State	23
24	Kentucky	24
25	Colorado State	NR

Others Receiving Votes: Dayton 53; Miami (FL) 45; Arizona 34; Long Beach State 34; Texas A&M 23; Duke 16; Western Kentucky 16; Michigan State 11; North Carolina 11; Tulsa 10; Kansas State 4; Ball State 3

Tech vs. ACC

Hokies.....	Opponent.....	Riley
7-5	Boston College	6-4
7-7	Clemson	4-7
2-13	Duke	1-10
3-11	Florida State	2-8
6-8	Georgia Tech	5-6
7-6	Maryland	7-3
4-10	Miami	3-7
4-10	North Carolina	3-7
14-0	NC State	10-0
7-7	Virginia	7-4
9-6	Wake Forest	7-4
70-83	Total	55-60

All records are in conference play since joining the ACC in 2004.

Around the ACC

Wednesday, Oct. 26

Middle Tennessee State 3, Georgia Tech 1

Thursday, Oct. 27

Maryland at North Carolina 7:00 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 28

Boston College at North Carolina 7:00 p.m.
 Duke at Clemson 7:00 p.m.
 Maryland at NC State 7:00 p.m.
 Virginia at Miami 7:00 p.m.
 Virginia Tech at Florida State 7:00 p.m.
 Wake Forest at Georgia Tech 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 29

Wake Forest at Clemson 5:00 p.m.
 Boston College at NC State 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 30

Duke at Georgia Tech 1:00 p.m.
 Virginia at Florida State 1:00 p.m.
 Virginia Tech at Miami 1:00 p.m.

ACC Standings

Team	ACC Rec.	Overall Rec.	Streak
Florida State	11-0	17-4	Won 11
North Carolina	9-3	17-6	Won 1
Duke	9-3	15-6	Won 7
Miami	8-3	17-3	Won 2
Clemson	6-5	14-8	Lost 1
Virginia Tech	6-5	13-9	Won 3
Georgia Tech	5-6	12-10	Lost 1
NC State	4-8	16-9	Lost 1
Boston College	3-7	7-15	Lost 2
Maryland	3-8	9-14	Lost 7
Virginia	2-9	8-13	Lost 2
Wake Forest	2-10	5-16	Lost 4

ACC Individual Stat Leaders

Player	K/TA	Pct.	Player	Kills	Avg./S		
Ali Becker - UM	208/440	.389	Monique Mead - GT	391	4.95		
Christiana Gray - DU	180/369	.371	Emily McGee - NC	312	4.11		
Jessica O'Shoney - VA	219/446	.361	Simone Asque - VA	294	3.82		
Alexa Rand - CU	176/383	.355	Lane Carico - UM	243	3.52		
Asia Stawicka - GT	121/262	.355	Kadija Fornah - WF	242	3.41		
Player	Assists	Avg./S	Player	Aces	Avg./S		
Katie Gallagher - UM	786	11.07	Kaleigh Colson - GT	23	0.55		
Kellie Catanch - DU	821	10.95	Justine Record - VT	29	0.36		
Megan Cyr - ST	893	10.38	Kamryn Sherman - CU	23	.032		
Beth Wildermuth - VA	783	10.17	Susan Carlson - GT	25	0.32		
Remy McBain - MD	863	9.59	Sarah Harper - MD	28	0.31		
Player	BS	BA	Total	Avg./S	Player	Digs	Avg./S
Ashley Neff - FS	14	110	124	1.68	Ali McCurdy - DU	434	5.71
Alexa Rand - CU	15	104	119	1.42	Brennan Clark - BC	374	4.99
Margaret Salata - ST	17	87	104	1.25	Katie Mosher - FS	343	4.64
Victoria Hamsher - VT	10	97	107	1.24	Kaylie Gibson - NC	339	4.46
Sareea Freeman - FS	8	79	87	1.24	Ryan Shaffer - UM	315	0.31

Alyssa Gammel

Kills 10, vs. #23 FSU (9/24/11)
 TA 27, vs. #23 FSU (9/24/11)
 Pct500 vs. UConn (9/17/11)
 Aces 1, vs. #23 FSU (9/24/11)
 Assists 1, Twice
 Digs 5, at Boston College (9/29/11)
 BS N/A
 BA 1, Five Times
 TB 1, Twice

Kathryn Caine

Kills 8, vs. Wake Forest (10/6/11)
 TA 17, vs. Wake Forest (10/6/11)
 Pct429, at Maryland (10/2/11)
 Digs 2, at Maryland (10/2/11)
 BS 1, Six Times
 BA 6, at NC State (10/14/11)
 TB 6, at NC State (10/14/11)

Jordan Fish

Kills 1, vs. Clemson (10/23/11)
 TA 2, Twice
 Pct 1.000, vs. Clemson (10/23/11)
 Aces 4, vs. Chattanooga (9/17/11)
 Assists 24, vs. Virginia (9/16/11)
 Digs 12, vs. Clemson (10/23/11)

LaTasha Samson-Akpan

TA 2, vs. High Point (8/27/11)
 BA 1, vs. High Point (8/27/11)
 TB 1, vs. High Point (8/27/11)

Kelsey Maloney

Kills 2, Twice
 TA 8, at UK (9/3/11)
 Pct 1.000, vs. American (9/9/11)
 Digs 2, at UK (9/3/11)
 BA 6, at UK (9/3/11)
 TB 6, at UK (9/3/11)

Delaney Pittari

Digs 1, vs. Ohio (9/2/11)

Match-by-Match Leaders

MATCH	Kills	Hit Pct. (<i>min. 7 att.</i>)	Service Aces	Digs	Blocks
Cleveland State	Baarendse/ Record (11)	Hamsher (.875)	Three Hokies (1)	O'Neill (17)	Hamsher (6)
High Point	Gostling/ Record (11)	Baarendse (.500)	Record (6)	Record (12)	Hamsher (6)
Indiana	Gostling/ Wiker (12)	Baarendse (.400)	Hamsher/ Record (1)	O'Neill (14)	Hamsher (6)
vs. Ohio	Wiker (15)	Hamsher (.227)	Baarendse/ Record (2)	Record (18)	Baarendse (9)
vs. Western Kentucky	Baarendse (8)	Baarendse/ Leaser (.375)	None	O'Neill (7)	Baarendse (5)
at Kentucky	Record (13)	Baarendse (.350)	Baarendse/ Wiker (1)	O'Neill (13)	Maloney (6)
American	Record (13)	Baarendse (.643)	Record (3)	Record (11)	Hamsher (5)
Seton Hall	Baarendse (10)	Baarendse (.421)	Baarendse (2)	Baarendse (9)	Hamsher (4)
Tennessee	Record (11)	Record (.417)	Leaser (3)	O'Neill/ Record (11)	Hamsher (4)
Virginia	Baarendse (13)	Hamsher (.444)	Leaser (4)	O'Neill (25)	Hamsher (4)
Chattanooga	Hamsher (16)	Hamsher (.682)	Fish (4)	O'Neill (29)	Hamsher (7)
Connecticut	Baarendse (13)	Baarendse (.462)	Three Hokies (1)	O'Neill (18)	Hamsher (8)
#21 Miami	Record (12)	Wiker (.227)	Fish (1)	O'Neill (17)	Four Hokies (2)
#23 Florida State	Gammel (10)	Baarendse (.429)	Three Hokies (1)	O'Neill (9)	Hamsher (3)
at Boston College	Gostling (12)	Hamsher (.250)	Leaser (1)	O'Neill (10)	Three Hokies (4)
at Maryland	Wiker (16)	Wiker (.441)	Leaser (2)	O'Neill (29)	Gostling (6)
Wake Forest	Record (19)	Caine (.412)	Record (3)	O'Neill (25)	Three Hokies (4)
Duke	Baarendse (16)	Hamsher (.444)	Leaser/ Record (2)	O'Neill (15)	Hamsher (6)
at North Carolina	Wiker/ Gostling (9)	Wiker (.348)	O'Neill/ Hamsher (1)	O'Neill (10)	Hamsher/Caine (4)
at NC State	Baarendse (15)	Gostling (.348)	Baarendse/ Record (2)	Record (20)	Three Hokies (6)
Georgia Tech	Baarendse (17)	Hamsher (.385)	Record (2)	O'Neill (16)	Hamsher (6)
Clemson	Baarendse (13)	Hamsher (.320)	Record (3)	O'Neill (28)	Caine/ Hamsher (4)
at Florida State					
at Miami					
at Wake Forest					
at Duke					
Maryland					
Boston College					
North Carolina					
NC State					
at Virginia					

Virginia Tech Volleyball
Virginia Tech Combined Team Statistics (as of Oct 24, 2011)
All matches

Overall record: 13-9 Conf: 6-5 Home: 11-4 Away: 2-3 Neutral: 0-2

##	Player	sp	Attack				pct	Set		Serve			re	Dig		Blocking					points	
			k	k/s	e	ta		a	a/s	sa	se	sa/s		dig	dig/s	bs	ba	total	blk/s	be		bhe
2	Kirsty Blue	6	4	0.67	1	9	.333	0	0.00	0	2	0.00	0	2	0.33	1	3	4	0.67	0	0	-
10	Cara Baarendse	86	227	2.64	51	564	.312	8	0.09	14	11	0.16	1	157	1.83	2	62	64	0.74	5	2	-
14	Victoria Hamsher	86	151	1.76	51	348	.287	2	0.02	14	25	0.16	0	39	0.45	10	97	107	1.24	3	0	-
20	Kathryn Caine	57	49	0.86	23	124	.210	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	6	0.11	6	47	53	0.93	7	1	-
13	Jennifer Wiker	82	183	2.23	74	568	.192	1	0.01	1	2	0.01	1	30	0.37	9	44	53	0.65	6	1	-
7	Justine Record	80	189	2.36	103	561	.153	13	0.16	29	42	0.36	25	257	3.21	5	35	40	0.50	9	1	-
8	Samantha Gostling	86	171	1.99	114	537	.106	1	0.01	3	7	0.03	8	51	0.59	1	50	51	0.59	3	0	-
5	Erin Leaser	86	25	0.29	15	96	.104	557	6.48	21	38	0.24	0	145	1.69	1	17	18	0.21	2	18	-
4	Jordan Fish	59	2	0.03	1	10	.100	251	4.25	12	27	0.20	1	81	1.37	0	0	0	0.00	0	14	-
11	Alyssa Gammel	24	32	1.33	27	99	.051	2	0.08	2	11	0.08	4	26	1.08	1	6	7	0.29	0	0	-
19	Morgan O'Neill	85	3	0.04	2	23	.043	67	0.79	9	13	0.11	26	344	4.05	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	-
32	LaTasha Samson-Akpa	1	0	0.00	0	2	.000	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	1	1	1.00	0	0	-
6	Laura Misiewicz	25	0	0.00	0	0	.000	5	0.20	2	2	0.08	2	29	1.16	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	-
1	Jessica Wellman	2	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	1	0.50	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	-
15	Delaney Pittari	1	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	1	1.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	-
3	Allison Munter	7	0	0.00	0	0	.000	24	3.43	0	0	0.00	0	6	0.86	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	-
9	Liz Trinchere	1	0	0.00	0	2	.000	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	1	1.00	1	0	1	1.00	0	0	-
16	Kirsten Higareda	26	0	0.00	0	2	.000	1	0.04	2	7	0.08	2	50	1.92	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	-
18	Bailey Dowd	1	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	1	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	-
22	Kelsey Maloney	6	4	0.67	5	16	-.062	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	2	0.33	0	6	6	1.00	0	0	-
VIRGINIA TECH		86	1040	12.09	467	2961	.194	932	10.84	109	188	1.27	85	1228	14.28	37	368	221.0	2.57	35	37	-
Opponents		86	1024	11.91	501	2977	.176	922	10.72	85	179	0.99	109	1252	14.56	34	331	199.5	2.32	37	26	-

Team Statistics	VT	OPP
ATTACK		
Kills	1040	1024
Errors	467	501
Total Attacks	2961	2977
Attack Pct	.194	.176
Kills/Set	12.1	11.9
SET		
Assists	932	922
Assists/Set	10.8	10.7
SERVE		
Aces	109	85
Errors	188	179
Aces/Set	1.3	1.0
SERVE RECEPTIONS		
Errors	85	109
Errors/Set	1.0	1.3
DEFENSE		
Digs	1228	1252
Digs/Set	14.3	14.6
BLOCKING		
Block Solo	37	34
Block Assist	368	331
Total Blocks	221.0	199.5
Blocks/Set	2.6	2.3
Block Errors	35	37
Ball handling errors	37	26
ATTENDANCE		
Total	7065	2178
Dates/Avg Per Date	15/471	5/436
Neutral site #/Avg	2/384	
Current win streak	3	-
Home win streak	2	-

Date	Opponent	Score	Score by set	Att.
Aug 27	INDIANA	w 3-1	21-25,25-18,25-22,25-22	575
Aug 27	HIGH POINT	w 3-1	25-16,24-26,25-13,25-12	501
Aug 26	CLEVELAND STATE	w 3-0	25-15,25-20,33-31	517
Sep 02	vs OHIO	L 2-3	25-16,23-25,25-15,23-25,14-16	367
Sep 03	vs Western Kentucky	L 0-3	20-25,16-25,20-25	401
Sep 03	at Kentucky	L 0-3	22-25,22-25,27-29	1188
Sep 10	TENNESSEE	L 1-3	25-20,21-25,16-25,17-25	516
*Sep 16	VIRGINIA	w 3-1	25-18,25-21,22-25,25-15	650
Sep 16	CHATTANOOGA	w 3-1	25-15,25-17,20-25,25-15	313
Sep 17	CONNECTICUT	w 3-1	25-14,21-25,25-19,26-24	534
Sep 09	AMERICAN	w 3-0	25-22,25-21,25-15	313
Sep 10	SHU	w 3-0	25-22,25-18,25-21	312
*Sep 24	#23 FLORIDA STATE	L 0-3	16-25,21-25,11-25	313
*Sep 23	#21 MIAMI	L 0-3	23-25,20-25,20-25	511
*Sep 29	at Boston College	L 0-3	25-27,18-25,18-25	122
*Oct 02	at Maryland	w 3-2	22-25,25-27,25-22,25-16,15-10	293
*Oct 06	WAKE FOREST	w 3-2	27-25,20-25,24-26,25-17,15-7	303
*Oct 07	DUKE	L 2-3	25-16,17-25,25-23,17-25,10-15	723
*Oct 13	at North Carolina	L 0-3	22-25,14-25,17-25	213
*Oct 14	at NC State	w 3-2	25-22,24-26,32-30,15-25,15-10	362
*Oct 21	GEORGIA TECH	w 3-2	23-25,25-20,25-17,11-25,15-8	617
*Oct 23	CLEMSON	w 3-2	25-22,13-25,14-25,25-19,15-11	367

Record in 3-set matches:3-6 • Record in 4-set matches:5-1 • Record in 5-set matches:5-2