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2025 TEAM FACTS

Key Returners: Danyle Courtley (Gr., OH), Evie Doezeema (Sr., OPP), Taylah Holdem (Jr., OH), Zuzanna Kulig (Jr., MB)

Key Additions: Malayah Long (R-Fr., S - Marquette transfer, Ranked No. 4 recruit in the state of Nebraska in the class of 2024 by Prep Dig, Played club volleyball at VCNebraska where HC Kristen Kelsay served as associate director and recruiting coordinator in 2022); Bianca Mumcular (Fr., OH - Istanbul, Turkey, Currently plays for Volero Le Cannet in France and has represented Turkey at the European and World Championships); Lia Schneider (Jr., DS/L - USF transfer, Second Team All-AAC in 2024, Played in all 108 sets for USF last season as the primary starting libero and led the Bulls in total digs (447) and digs per set (4.14); Sarah Vellucci (R-So., DS/L - Long Beach State transfer, Appeared in every set for Beach in 2024 during her redshirt freshman season)

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 9/10

- Michigan State returns three players who started at least 10 matches last season (Evie Doezeema, Taylah Holdem, Zuzanna Kulig).
- Head coach Kristen Kelsay has added five newcomers to the Spartans' 2025 roster - four transfers (Malayah Long, R-Fr., S / Marquette; Breccan Scheck, So., MB / Washington State; Lia Schneider, Jr., DS/L / USF; Sarah Vellucci, R-So., DS/L / Long Beach State) and one freshman (Bianca Mumcular, OH / Istanbul, Turkey). They join freshmen Caroline Formankova (OPP / Slany, Czech Republic), Kalea Norton (S / Auckland, New Zealand) and Leela Ormsby (MB / Billings, Mont.) to make up MSU's eight-player newcomer class.
- Kelsay is joined on the sideline in 2025 by assistants Cursty Jackson, Dan O'Keefe and Matt Jackson. Four-year Spartan letterwinner (2021-24) and three-time team captain Julia Bishop will spend this season as the program's graduate assistant.
- MSU will play the third annual Kathy DeBoer Invitational inside Jenison Field House this fall, marking the first matches in the facility since the 2021 season. The tournament will be held in conjunction with the Spartans' 2025 alumni weekend, which will honor the 1975 AIAW Final Four team and 1995 NCAA Final Four team.
- Former Spartan libero and three-time All-American Kori Moster (2011-14) was announced for induction into MSU's 2025 Athletics Hall of Fame class in June. Moster played three seasons with Kristen Kelsay in East Lansing and served as a co-captain alongside Kelsay during the 2012 and 2013 seasons. Her 2,218 career digs still rank third all-time in the Big Ten. Moster is the sixth Spartan volleyball player to be inducted into the MSU Athletics Hall of Fame and first player from the 2000s to be inducted.
- The Spartans set two top-five single-game attendance records in 2024 - 8,291 fans against Nebraska (No. 2 all-time) and 6,930 fans against Michigan (No. 4 all-time).



Kristen Kelsay

Head Coach / First Season at MSU, First Overall / Michigan State '14

- Returns to her alma mater after most recently serving two seasons (2023-24) as the associate head coach at Minnesota, where she coached the setters and led recruiting efforts.
- All three of Kelsay's previous collegiate coaching stops have been at BIG schools - MSU (assistant coach, 2015-18), Northwestern (assistant coach, 2019-21) and Minnesota.
- Two-time team captain and setter at MSU from 2010-13 and helped the Spartans to back-to-back Sweet 16 appearances in 2012 and 2013.



#12 Evie Doezeema (EHV-ee DOO-zuh-muh)

Senior / 6-3 / OPP / Grand Rapids, Mich.

- Transitions back to the right side this season after playing as a middle blocker last season. Last played on the right as a sophomore in 2023.
- As a middle blocker in 2024, tallied 92 kills on .272 hitting and finished third on the team in blocks with 67 (9 solo, 58 assisted) on 0.78 blocks per set.
- Appeared in 28 matches last season, making 27 starts and played in 86 sets. Her 27 starts rank second among 2025 returners.
- Fifth on the team in kills (143) and hit .257 in 2023 on the right side, also ranked second on the team in blocks (57) on 0.56 per set.



#9 Zuzanna Kulig (zoo-ZON-uh KOOL-igg)

Junior / 6-4 / MB / Chrzanów, Poland

- Played in 109 sets and made 30 starts in 30 matches in 2024, ranking first in matches and sets played and total starts among all returners.
- In 2024, posted 145 kills on .348 hitting, the ninth best single-season hitting mark in program history. Also led MSU with 154 total blocks, which is No. 10 in program history.
- Tallied 12 blocks against Illinois on Oct. 12, 2024, tying for the fourth-most blocks in a single match in program history.
- Posted 1.41 blocks per set in 2024 to finish seventh in program history, posting the best BPS since All-American Alexis Mathews in 2013.

2025 Michigan State Volleyball Roster

#	Name	Pronouns	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown / High School / Last School
1	Lia Schneider (LEE-uh / SHNY-der)	she/her	DS/L	5-8	Jr.	St. Charles, Ill. / St. Charles East / USF
2	Karolina Staniszewska (care-oh-LEE-nuh / stanis-SHEF-ska)	she/her	OH	6-0	Jr.	Warsaw, Poland / Niepubliczna Szkoła Sportowa w Mielcu
3	Bianca Mumcular	she/her	OH	6-3	Fr.	Istanbul, Turkey
4	Danyle Courtley (DANIELLE / COURT-lee)	she/her	OH	6-1	Gr.	Katy, Texas / Cinco Ranch / Rice
5	Ky Clayton (KYE)	she/her	DS/L	5-6	Jr.	Lee's Summit, Mo. / Lee's Summit
7	Malayah Long (muh-LAY-uh)	she/her	S	6-1	R-Fr.	Lincoln, Neb. / Lincoln Southwest / Marquette
8	Mia Hood (ME-uh)	they/them	MB	6-6	So.	Roswell, Ga. / Homeschooled
9	Zuzanna Kulig (zoo-ZON-uh / KOOL-igg)	she/her	MB	6-4	Jr.	Chrzanów, Poland / Wyższa Szkoła Lingwistyczna
10	Leela Ormsby	she/her	MB	6-3	Fr.	Billings, Mont. / Billings Senior
12	Evie Doezeema (EHV-ee / DOO-zuh-muh)	she/her	OPP	6-3	Sr.	Grand Rapids, Mich. / Grand Rapids Christian
13	Sarah Vellucci (vell-OO-chee)	she/her	DS/L	6-0	R-So.	Novi, Mich. / Novi / Long Beach State
14	Taylah Holdem (TAY-luh / HOLD-um)	she/her	OH	6-2	Jr.	Christchurch, New Zealand / Burnside
16	Kalea Norton (kuh-LEE-uh)	she/her	S	5-10	Fr.	Auckland, New Zealand / Rangitoto College
18	Breccan Scheck (BRECK-in SHECK)	she/her	MB	6-1	So.	Glen Ellyn, Ill. / Glenbard West / Washington State
21	Caroline Formankova	she/her	OPP	6-3	Fr.	Slany, Czech Republic
22	Carmen Waye	she/her	MB	6-2	So.	Halifax, Nova Scotia / Citadel
23	Cameron Berger	she/they	S	5-11	Jr.	Eden Prairie, Minn. / Eden Prairie
33	Mya Bolton (MY-uh)	she/her	DS/L	5-4	So.	Shawnee, Kan. / St. James Academy

2025 Michigan State Volleyball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Location
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August

Sat.	23	at Eastern Michigan (Exhibition)	Ypsilanti, Mich.
Sat.	30	MERRIMACK	Breslin Center
Sun.	31	CHICAGO STATE	Breslin Center

September

Wed.	3	at Evansville	Evansville, Ind.
Thurs.	4	at Southern Indiana	Evansville, Ind.
Mon.	8	at Western Michigan	Kalamazoo, Mich.
Kennesaw State Invitational			
Thurs.	11	at Kennesaw State	Kennesaw, Ga.
Fri.	12	Appalachian State	Kennesaw, Ga.
Kathy DeBoer Invitational presented by Auto-Owners Insurance			
Thurs.	18	BINGHAMTON	Jenison Field House
Fri.	19	BOWLING GREEN	Jenison Field House
Sat.	20	SIUE	Jenison Field House
Thurs.	25	at Minnesota*	Minneapolis, Minn.
Sat.	27	MICHIGAN*	Breslin Center

October

Fri.	3	at Northwestern*	Evanston, Ill.
Sun.	5	at Illinois*	Champaign, Ill.
Fri.	10	IOWA*	Breslin Center
Sun.	12	INDIANA*	Breslin Center
Fri.	17	NEBRASKA*	Breslin Center
Sun.	19	MARYLAND*	Breslin Center
Fri.	24	at Iowa*	Coralville, Iowa
Sat.	25	at Nebraska*	Lincoln, Neb.
Fri.	31	PURDUE*	Breslin Center

November

Sat.	1	RUTGERS*	Breslin Center
Fri.	7	at Washington*	Seattle, Wash.
Sun.	9	at Oregon*	Eugene, Ore.
Fri.	14	WISCONSIN*	Breslin Center
Sun.	16	at Michigan*	Ann Arbor, Mich.
Fri.	21	at Penn State*	University Park, Pa.
Sun.	23	at Ohio State*	Columbus, Ohio
Wed.	26	USC*	Breslin Center
Fri.	28	UCLA*	Breslin Center

* - Big Ten Conference Contest