



POINT PARK UNIVERSITY VOLLEYBALL

2015 QUICK FACTS 27-16, 8-2 KIAC in 2014



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GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Founded: 1960
 Enrollment: 4,000
 Nickname: Pioneers
 Colors: Green & Vegas Gold
 Affiliation: NAIA
 Conference: KIAC
 Home Facility: Student Center Gym (300)
 President: Dr. Paul Hennigan
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COACHING STAFF

Head coach: Mike Bruno, 11th season
 Alma mater: Robert Morris '90
 Record at Point Park: 247-143 (.633) (10 years)
 Career Record overall: 363-201 (.643) (15 years)
 Assistant: Bridget Bielich, 1st season
 Alma mater: California (Pa.) '13

TEAM INFORMATION

2014 Record: 27-16, 8-2 KIAC
 2014 KIAC Reg. Season: 2nd of 11 teams
 KIAC Tournament: 1st of 11 teams (W, 3-1 vs. IUS)
 NAIA Tournament: NAIA Opening Rd (L at G'Town)
 Starters returning/lost: 4 of 6 Returning
 Letter winners returning/lost: 8 of 14 Returning

PROGRAM HISTORY

First year of sport: 1991
 All-time record: 340-436 (.438)
 Conf. Championships: 2011 & 2014
 NAIA National Tournaments: 2011 & 2014
 Last postseason result: L, 3-1 at Georgetown (Ky.)

PLAYER INFORMATION

TOP RETURNERS

SHILOH SIMONSON

Pos. Ht. Cl.
 OH 5-9 Jr.
 Venetia, Pa./Peters Twp. HS

Player Notes
 NAIA-AVCA All-Northeast Region, All-KIAC First Team
 399 Kills, 424 Digs, 68 Aces, 38.0 Blocks

EMILY MENG

S 5-10 Jr.
 Indianapolis, Ind./Wright State

All-KIAC Second Team, Transfer from Wright State in 2014
 1,187 Assists (7.61 Per Set), 299 Digs, 35.0 Blocks

ISABELLA VAVREK

OH 5-8 Sr.
 Aliquippa, Pa./Hopewell HS

Four-Year Player, Former All-State Player at Hopewell HS
 94 Kills in 81 Sets, 86 Digs, 12.0 Blocks

TOP PLAYERS LOST

TABEA DALLIARD

Pos. Ht. Cl.
 L 5-6 Fr.
 Morel-Filet/Switzerland

Player Notes
 All-KIAC Second Team, 7th in NAIA in Aces, 17th in NAIA in Digs
 722 Digs (2.85 Per Set), 65 Aces

ROXANNE GRUNDMEIER

MH 5-10 Sr.
 Schaller, Iowa/Des Moines CC

Two-Year Starter, Leader in Blocks
 248 Kills, 102.0 Total Blocks

OLIVIA FISHER

DS 5-8 Sr.
 Janesville, Iowa/Des Moines CC

Two-Year Defensive Specialist
 382 Digs, (2.63 Per Set), 35 Aces

TOP NEWCOMERS

MEGAN BRANCHICK

Pos. Ht. Cl.
 RS 6-2 Jr.
 North Olmstead, Ohio/Edinboro

Player Notes
 Transfer from Edinboro (NCAA DII), All-PSAC West 2nd Team
 375 Kills, 74.0 Blocks in 2013 at Edinboro

MADISON WELDON

S 5-6 Jr.
 Champaign, Ill./Parkland (Ill.) College

Transfer from Parkland (Ill.) College, NJCAA All-Region
 897 Assists (5.61 Per Set), 71 Aces

MORGAN DANVELO

DS 5-2 Fr.
 Greenwood, Ind./Greenwood HS

Freshman from Greenwood, Ind., Mid-State All-Conf.
 468 Digs, 48 Aces, .888 Serv. Pct.

2015 KIAC PRESEASON COACHES' POLL (AUG. 14):

1. Point Park 127; 2. Asbury (Ky.) 122; 3. IU Kokomo 114; 4. IU Southeast 94; 5. IU East 93; 6. Rio Grande 86; 7. Cincinnati Christian 62; 8. Ohio Christian 58; 9. Carlow 49; 10. Midway (Ky.) 46; 11. WVU Tech 37; 12. Brescia (Ky.) 36; 13. Alice Lloyd (Ky.) 12.

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2015 Volleyball Roster



No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Cl.	Hometown/High School/Previous School
1	Megan Branchick	RS/MH	6-2	Jr.	North Olmstead, Ohio/North Olmstead HS/Edinboro Univ.
2	Morgan Dangelo	DS	5-2	Fr.	Greenwood, Ind./Greenwood Community HS
3	Emily Meng	S	5-10	Jr.	Indianapolis, Ind./Lawrence North HS/Wright State Univ.
4	Isabella Vavrek	OH	5-8	Sr.	Aliquippa, Pa./Hopewell Area HS
6	Shiloh Simonson	OH	5-9	Jr.	Venetia, Pa./Peters Township HS
10	Kristi Chenarides	OH	5-11	So.	Pittsburgh, Pa./Pine-Richland HS
14	Paige Baker	DS/OH	5-7	Sr.	Kittanning, Pa./Elderton HS/Seton Hill Univ.
15	Juliana Ross	DS	5-1	So.	Pittsburgh, Pa./Seton-LaSalle HS
16	Madison Weldon	S	5-6	Jr.	Champaign, Ill./Champaign Centennial HS/Parkland College
20	Gabriella Piccolino	S	5-4	Fr.	North Versailles, Pa./Serra Catholic HS
21	Nikki Inquartano	MH/RS	6-2	Jr.	Pittsburgh, Pa./Shaler Area HS
22	Cristiane Chaves	MH/RS	6-3	Sr.	Recife, Brazil/NAP/Indian Hills (Iowa) CC
23	Ashley Taylor	MH/RS	6-0	So.	Pittsburgh, Pa./North Hills HS

Head coach: Mike Bruno (Robert Morris '90), 11th season at Point Park (247-143), 16th overall (363-201)

Assistant coaches: Bridget Bielich (California (Pa.) '13), first season

ROSTER BY CLASS

Seniors (3) – Vavrek, Baker, Chaves

Juniors (5) – Branchick, Meng, Simonson, Weldon, Inquartano

Sophomores (3) – Chenarides, Ross, Taylor

Freshman (2) – Dangelo, Piccolino

ROSTER BY HOME STATE

PA (8) – Vavrek, Simonson, Chenarides, Baker, Ross, Piccolino, Inquartano, Taylor

IN (2) – Dangelo, Meng

OH (1) – Branchick

IL (1) – Weldon

Brazil (1) – Chaves

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

1 BRAN-chick

2 dan-gel-lo

3 meng

4 VAV-rick

6 SHY-low Simonson

10 CHEN-uh-REED-iss

16 well-don

20 PICK-o-lee-no

21 in-quar-tan-no

22 Chav-ess

HC brew-no

AC BEE-litch

ROSTER BY HEIGHT

6-3 – Chaves

6-2 – Branchick, Inquartano

6-0 – Taylor

5-11 – Chenarides

5-10 – Meng

5-9 – Simonson

5-8 – Vavrek

5-7 – Baker

5-6 – Weldon

5-4 – Piccolino

5-2 – Dangelo

5-1 – Ross



2015 POINT PARK UNIVERSITY VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

Home matches in **BOLD CAPS** / Home matches at Student Center Gym
*Kentucky Intercollegiate Athletic Conference game

Day/Date	Event/Opponent	Time
<i>Aug. 21-22</i>	<i>Grace (Ind.) Tournament</i>	
<i>Fri., Aug. 21</i>	<i>vs. Trinity Christian (Ill.)</i>	<i>5:30 p.m.</i>
	<i>vs. St. Ambrose (Iowa)</i>	<i>8:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Sat., Aug. 22</i>	<i>vs. IU Kokomo</i>	<i>1:30 p.m.</i>
	<i>at Grace (Ind.)</i>	<i>4:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Aug. 27-28</i>	<i>Lindsey Wilson (Ky.) Tournament</i>	
<i>Thur., Aug. 27</i>	<i>at Lindsey Wilson (Ky.)</i>	<i>6:00 p.m.</i>
	<i>vs. Indiana Tech</i>	<i>8:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Fri., Aug. 28</i>	<i>vs. Bryan (Tenn.)</i>	<i>11:30 a.m.</i>
	<i>vs. St. Catharine (Ky.)</i>	<i>1:30 p.m.</i>
Sept. 4-5	BATTLE OF THE BOULEVARD AT POINT PARK	
Fri., Sept. 4	INDIANA EAST*	12:00 p.m.
	WEST LIBERTY (W.Va.)	4:00 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 5	LAWRENCE TECH (Mich.)	8:00 a.m.
	TAYLOR (Ind.)	4:00 p.m.
Tue., Sept. 8	at West Virginia Wesleyan	7:00 p.m.
Wed., Sept. 9	at Alderson-Broaddus (W.Va.)	5:00 p.m.
Wed., Sept. 16	CARLOW*	7:00 p.m.
Fri., Sept. 18	at IU Southeast*	7:00 P.M.
Sat., Sept. 19	at Cincinnati Christian*	10 a.m.
	vs. Brescia (Ky.)* (at CCU)	TBA
Fri., Oct. 2	OHIO CHRISTIAN*	3:00 p.m.
	MIDWAY (Ky.)*	7:00 p.m.
<i>Wed., Oct. 7</i>	<i>at St. Thomas (Fla.)</i>	<i>7:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Sat., Oct. 10</i>	<i>Keiser (Fla.) University Challenge</i>	
	<i>vs. Trinity (Fla.) College</i>	<i>12:00 p.m.</i>
	<i>at Keiser (Fla.)</i>	<i>3:00 p.m.</i>
	<i>vs. Florida College</i>	<i>6:00 p.m.</i>
Tue., Oct. 13	WEST VIRGINIA TECH*	7:00 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 17	at IU Kokomo*	11:00 a.m.
	vs. Bethel (at IUK)	1:00 p.m.
Tue., Oct. 20	WEST VIRGINIA WESLEYAN	7:00 p.m.
<i>Oct. 23-24</i>	<i>Cornerstone/Aquinas Tournament</i>	
<i>Fri., Oct. 23</i>	<i>vs. Siena Heights (Mich.)</i>	<i>5:00 p.m.</i>
	<i>at Aquinas (Mich.)</i>	<i>8:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Sat., Oct. 24</i>	<i>vs. Northwestern Ohio</i>	<i>10:00 a.m.</i>
	<i>at Cornerstone (Mich.)</i>	<i>1:00 p.m.</i>
Tue., Oct. 27	at Pitt-Johnstown	7:00 p.m.
Thur., Oct. 29	RIO GRANDE (Ohio)*	7:00 p.m.
Fri., Oct. 30	at Carnegie Mellon	7:00 p.m.
Fri., Nov. 6	at Alice Lloyd (Ky.)*	4:00 p.m.
Sat., Nov. 7	at Asbury (Ky.)*	1:00 p.m.
Fri.-Sat., Nov. 13-14	KIAC Tournament (at Rio Grande)	Rio Grande, Ohio
Sat., Nov. 21	NAIA National Championship Opening Round	Campus Sites
Tue.-Sat., Dec. 1-5	NAIA National Championship Final Site	Sioux City, Iowa