2025 AVCA Thirty Under 30 College



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Washington & Jefferson College Head Women's Volleyball Coach

Career Accomplishments to Date:

- West Liberty:
 - 28-17 overall, 18-8 mark in Mountain East Conference play (2021 COVID Spring & Fall seasons)
 - Assisted in coaching Middle Blocker Madison Clayton, who was named as WLU's first NCAA Volleyball All-American.
 - Also worked with Nyia Setla, who was named an All-American later in her career after my tenure concluded.
- Washington & Jefferson:
 - 41-39 overall record in 3 seasons, after inheriting a program coming off of a 3-22 season (2021-22).
 - 9 All-Conference selections
 - Sophie Little named 2023-24 season Newcomer of the Year (program's first since 2002)
 - o 2 Conference tournament appearances
 - 9 CSC Academic All-District selections

Coaching Roles:

- Ohio Valley Volleyball Company Head Club Coach (Various team ages and levels); January 2017-Present (9th season this spring)
- West Liberty University Graduate Assistant Volleyball Coach; August 2020-January 2022
- Washington & Jefferson College Head Women's Volleyball Coach; February 2022-Present (Entering 4th fall season in 2025)

What made you decide to get into coaching volleyball?

Growing up with a mother who played and coached volleyball for many years, I have spent nearly my entire life in a volleyball gym. I initially stepped into coaching by helping with club teams while I played in high school. Once I entered college, I began working with Ohio Valley Volleyball Company coaching club. My initial plan was to graduate with an Education degree and coach on the side, but during my graduate assistantship I found a true love for the college game. This led me to pursue collegiate coaching opportunities, and ultimately led me to Washington & Jefferson.



What are your career goals in the sport?

My career goal is to continue building a collegiate program where our student-athletes succeed not only on the court, but in their personal and professional lives as well. I strive to set a strong example for the young women in my program, and to play a positive role in helping them develop in all aspects of their lives. I want to lead a program that our student-athletes are proud to compete for, proud to represent, and proud to remain involved with as alumni.

Which coaches have influenced you the most?

I was fortunate enough to play high school volleyball for Nancy Miller, one of Ohio's most successful career coaches. Additionally, I played for many outstanding club coaches throughout my younger years. I then went on to play for Courtney Hilyer at Bethany College, who truly shaped the trajectory of my career by pushing me to get into coaching more seriously. Riley Jarrett was also an outstanding mentor for me at West Liberty University, and gave me the confidence to step into a coaching role at a younger age just as she had.

What do you enjoy most about your coaching job?

I most enjoy the opportunity to build meaningful relationships with my student-athletes on and off the court. The best part of my role as a coach is seeing my players have their "light bulb" moments, when they are able to see a skill that they have been working hard at finally click for them. The ability to work in a role where I am not only seeing them succeed in their four years on campus but also in their post-graduate endeavors is rewarding, and it is so special any time we can welcome alumni home to campus and reconnect.

