

# 2026

## AVCA Thirty Under 30 College



### Ari Homayun

UC Davis  
Head Coach

#### **Career Accomplishments to Date:**

At CSUN, became the winningest head coach in CSUN history with my 49th win with the program. We also broke the program record for most wins in a season with 18 wins in 2025. That same season, helped lead a freshman in breaking the single-season record for most wins. Also helped the program achieve its first ever win against a ranked opponent.

At Cal Poly, helped guide the Mustangs to a Big West Championship, a top 10 national ranking, and the program's first NCAA Championship match win.

#### **Coaching Roles:**

UC Davis - Head beach coach. Started July 2025-current.

CSUN - Head beach coach from 2023-2025.

CSUN - Associate head coach for 2022 season

Cal Poly - Assistant coach for 2021 season.

University of Hawaii - volunteer assistant for 2020 season

#### **What made you decide to get into coaching volleyball?**

I have always known that I wanted to teach in some capacity. I got my undergraduate degree in secondary education thinking I would go the high school teaching route. After my collegiate career, I knew I wanted to stay immersed in the sport and breaking down the nuances of the game has always been a passion of mine. Adding in the ability to help young women accomplish new heights, coaching is the dream job.

#### **What are your career goals in the sport?**

Aside from winning conference championships and national titles, one of my biggest career goals is to help shape young women into women that are going to be successful in all aspect of their lives. Volleyball is such a great avenue in learning valuable lessons that will be applicable through every season of life.



**Which coaches have influenced you the most?**

Being able to work under Todd Rogers was one of the coolest coaching experiences I've had. He is just a well of knowledge when it comes to volleyball. He also cares deeply about his players and their successes.

**What do you enjoy most about your coaching job?**

The people. Being surrounded by people that are highly motivated and incredibly disciplined that are united in their goals is such a unique and rewarding thing to be apart of.