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AVCA Thirty Under 30 College



Karrah Davis
University of Dubuque
Head Coach

Career Accomplishments to Date:

Head coaching record: 50-15, back to back NCAA round of 32 appearances, one regular season title, one conference tournament title, coached 4 AVCA All Americans, AVCA Region 9 Coach of the Year, A-R-C Coach of the Year / Overall coaching accomplishments: 4 national tournament appearances, 2 regular season championships, 3 conference tournament championships, coached 7 All Americans

Coaching Roles:

University of Dubuque

Head Coach - spring of 2024- current, Associate Head Coach - October 2023-March 2024, Assistant Coach - July 2021-October 2023, Volunteer Assistant Coach - July 2020-July 2021, Graduate Assistant Coach - August 2018-July 2020

What made you decide to get into coaching volleyball?

I decided to coach volleyball because it felt like that natural thing for me to do. I grew up loving sports, especially volleyball, and couldn't imagine working a job that didn't involve it in some way. I had such a wonderful college experience and wanted to impact my student athletes in the same ways that my coaches impacted me.

What are your career goals in the sport?

My career goals are to continue to coach volleyball for as long as I can and at the highest level that I can. My ultimate goal is to win a national championship. I love being a Division 3 head coach and want to push and support my student athletes to be the best versions of themselves on and off the court.



Which coaches have influenced you the most?

My college coach, mentor, and friend, April Elsbernd. I got to play for April my entire college career, as well as work for her for 7 years. She has taught me so much about the game, but even more about leading with integrity and authenticity.

What do you enjoy most about your coaching job?

I love seeing the hard work pay off for my student athletes, whether it's a big or small win, it's so fun to see them work hard and then find success!

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