

## **Nancy Mueller**

Nancy Mueller-Culver enters her first season with the Sewanee volleyball program in 2018. Director of Athletics Mark Webb has announced the addition of Nancy Mueller-Culver as the seventh volleyball coach at The University of the South.

Mueller-Culver brings 23 years of coaching experience, including 15 serving as a head coach and an assistant at the NCAA Division I level. She returns to the college scene after a three-year hiatus, where she was the women's volleyball coach at Boyd Buchanan School in Chattanooga from 2015-18.

Prior to her return to The Volunteer State, Mueller-Culver served as an assistant coach at the University of Indiana in Bloomington from 2010-15, where she served as the recruiting coordinator for the Big Ten institution. During her tenure with the Hoosiers, she oversaw all recruiting efforts, academic communication and monitored player development. In her first season, she helped Ashley Benson to an American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) First Team All-America nod.

Prior to her role in Indiana, she served as a head coach at the University of Illinois at Chicago (2003-09) and the University of South Florida (1999-2003), collecting 174 wins in 10 seasons.

While at UIC, Mueller-Culver coached three to All-Horizon League All-Conference honors and two to the All-Newcomer Team. On a national level, she helped Ambria Springer to an All-American selection with the AVCA. In her third season with the Flames in 2006, she helped the program to their first-ever conference title match en route to a 17-17 record and a second place finish in the Horizon League.

During her time at USF, she was a two-time AVCA Midwest Region and Conference USA Coach of the Year recipient (2000, '02), and she has coached six Midwest region honors and six First Team All-Conference selections. She also helped coach Alessandra Domingos to become a two-time C-USA Setter of the Year in 2000 and 2001. During the 2000 season, the program holds the longest winning streak in school history and the fourth in C-USA history, securing victories in 20 consecutive matches from Sept. 22 to Nov. 18. Inside conference play, winning 15 in a row is the second-best in conference history, as the Bulls were on their way to the regular season crown in conference play and a first-round appearance in the NCAAs.

After winning 21 matches in 2001, Mueller-Culver finished with a 30-7 season in 2002, with the 30 wins the second-highest in program history. She also returned to the NCAA Tournament, where they finished in the second round after defeating Florida State, 3-0.

A 1993 graduate of the University of Tennessee with a Bachelor of Science degree in Education, Exercise Physiology, Mueller was a four-time letter winner for the Volunteers as a defensive specialist and setter.