

# **2021 WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS**

17 NCAA Championship Team Appearances • 29 All-Americans on 96 Occasions

## 2021 SCHEDULE

0-1, 0-0 Big Ten

	Date	Opponent	Result/Time
	JAN. 17	NO. 28 MARYLAND (BTN) L, 193	3.875-194.875
	JAN. 23	NO. 29 NEBRASKA* (BTN+)	2 p.m.
	Jan. 30	at No. 4 Minnesota*	2 p.m.
	Feb. 5	at No. 22 Maryland*	5 p.m.
	FEB. 13	NO. 17 ILLINOIS*	4 p.m.
	FEB. 21	NO. 13 OHIO STATE*	2 p.m.
	Feb. 26	Big Five Meet*%	TBA
	vs. No	. 9 Iowa*, No. 3 Michigan*, Michigan State	*, Rutgers*
	Mar. 7	at No. 13 Ohio State	2 p.m.
	Mar. 13	at Rutgers	1 p.m.
	Mar. 20	Big Ten Championships #	TBA
	Apr. 17-18	NCAA Championships^	TBA
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- \* Big Ten Opponent
- ^ Fort Worth, Texas
- % Ann Arbor Mich
- # Columbus, Ohio

All Times Eastern

#### HOME MEETS IN BOLD CAPS

Rankings based on RoadToNationals Rankings

Subject To Change

### NO. 28 PENN STATE WELCOMES NO. 29 NEBRASKA FOR BIG MEET

Meet 2: January 23, 2021 • 2 p.m. • Rec Hall • University Park, Pa. • Big Ten Network+

#### **NITTANY NOTES**

- Penn State hosts Nebraska for a Big Ten conference meet.
- The Nittany Lions begin a stretch of six straight meets that count as Big Ten conference meets. The final two regular season meets, at Ohio State and Rutgers, are non-conference contests.
- Penn State fell in its season opener to Maryland, but recorded a 48.950 on vault, its highest score in a season opener since 2013.
- Cassidy Rushlow won her second career all-around title, while Melissa Astarita earned her fourth career floor title.
- Freshman Natalie Cross had PSU's highest scores on vault (9.850) and beam (9.875).
- Penn State is ranked 15th in the nation on vault.
- Cross ranks 17th in the nation on beam and 23rd on vault, while Astarita is 25th on floor. Rushlow is 26th in all-around.
- Nebraska enters the meet ranked 29th by RoadToNationals after tallying a 193.400 in a loss against Illinois last Friday.

						Season Best Scores					
AA	V	UB	вв	FX	Gymnast	AA	٧	UB	вв	FX	
-	9.800	9.800	-	9.850	Allen	-	-	-	-	9.850	
-	9.800	-	9.700^	9.925	Astarita	-	9.500^	-	9.700^	9.875	
-	-	9.725	8.550	8.975	Ayers	-	-	9.725	8.550	8.975	
-	9.600	9.825^	9.925	-	Bastardi	-	-	-	-	-	
-	9.750	-	9.150	9.050	Bladon	-	9.675	-	9.150	9.050	
38.750	9.900	9.900	9.675	9.875	Bonsall	-	9.825	9.825	-	9.825	
39.525	9.925	10.000	9.900	9.950	Bridgens	-	-	-	-	-	
-	9.875	9.850	9.675^	9.850	Chinnery	-	-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	-	Cox	-	-	-	-	-	
-	9.850	9.750	9.875	-	Cross	-	9.850	9.750	9.875	-	
-	9.525	9.450^	-	-	Howell	-	9.525	9.450^	-	-	
-	9.775	8.875	9.825	-	Johnston	-	9.775	8.875	9.825	-	
-	-	-	-	-	Mace	-	-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	9.825	-	Romagnano	-	-	-	-	-	
39.300	9.900	9.925	9.900	9.825	Rushlow	39.100	9.825	9.825	9.625	9.825	
-	-	9.850	9.850	-	Verdeflor	-	-	9.125	9.775	-	
-	-	-	-	-	Walker	-	-	-	-	-	
					^ Exhibition						
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#### **Team Season Highs**

Overall: 193.875 vs. Maryland (1/17)

Vault: 48.950 vs. Maryland (1/17)

Bars: 48.250 vs. Maryland (1/17)

Beam: 48.250 vs. Maryland (1/17)

Floor: 48.425 vs. Maryland (1/17)



## 2021 ROSTER

Name	Event	Yr.	Ht.	Hometown/High School/Last School
Erynne Allen	V, UB, FX	Sr.	5-3	Douglasville, Ga./South Paulding/Kentucky
Melissa Astarita	V, BB, FX	Jr.	5-2	Morganville, N.J./Marlboro
Maggie Ayers	AA	Fr.	5-2	York, Pa./York Suburban
Jessie Bastardi	AA	Jr.	5-4 Sta	te College, Pa./Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy/West Virginia
Amy Bladon	V, BB, FX	So.	5-2	Sarnia, Ontario/Great Lakes Secondary School
Alissa Bonsall	AA	Sr.	5-1	Higganum, Conn./Haddam Killingworth
Lauren Bridgens	AA	Sr.	5-4	Darnestown, Md./Quince Orchard
Kourtney Chinnery	V, UB, FX	Sr.	5-2	Suffolk, Va./Summit Christian Academy
Dymiana Cox	AA	Jr.	5-1	Elmont, N.Y./Parkettes
Natalie Cross	AA	Fr.	5-5	Ellicott City, Md./River Hill
Donna Howell	AA	Jr.	5-5	New Milford, Pa./PA Cyber Charter School
Maggie Johnston	AA	Fr.	5-5	Boyds, Md./Poolesville
Maggie Mace	AA	Fr.	5-7	Dayton, Ohio/Ohio Connections Academy
Bella Romagnano	UB, BB, FX	So.	5-2	New Albany, Ohio/New Albany
Cassidy Rushlow	AA	So.	5-2	Worcester, Mass./Daggett Gold Medal Gymnastics
Ava Verdeflor	UB, BB	Sr.	5-3	Allen, Texas/Allen
Abi Walker	UB, BB, FX	Fr.	4-8	Vidalia, Ga./Adirondack Learning Academy

**Head Coach:** Sarah Brown (Missouri '10; Fourth Season)

Assistant Coaches: Dallas Becerra (Missouri '13; Fourth Season), Rachel Inniss (Auburn '12; First Season)

Student Manager: Tess McCracken

Captains: Erynne Allen, Alissa Bonsall, Lauren Bridgens

2021 QUICK FACTS
GENERAL INFORMATION Location
LocationUniversity Park, Pa.
l Founded1855
Enrollment 45,901
ColorsBlue and White
ConferenceBig Ten
Nickname Nittany Lions President
PresidentDr. Eric Barron
Vice President of Intercollegiate Athletics . Sandy Barbour
Sr. Assoc. Athletics Director/SWA Charge Belieb
Sport AdministratorMary Bolich Athletic Websitewww.GoPSUsports.com
Athletic Websitewww.gopsosports.com
COACHING STAFF
Head Coach
Penn State Record (Years) 29-27 (3)
Career Record (Years)
L Assistant CoachDallas Becerra (4th Year)
Assistant Coach Rachel Inniss (1st Year)
Office110A White Building
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TEAM INFORMATION Home Arena (Capacity)
Home Arena (Capacity)Rec Hall (5,812)
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2020 RECAP
2020 Regular Season Record8-9
Big Ten Regular Season Record4-5
Big Ten Championships FinishN/A
2020 NCAA Regional FinishN/A
2020 NCAA Championships FinishN/A
Final National Ranking30
All-Americans Returning/Lost0/0
Letterwinners Returning/Lost12/2
Newcomers5
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PROGRAM HISTORY First Year of Gymnastics
All-Time Pecerd (Veers) 597-707-4 (56)
National Championships 2
NCAA Championship Team Appearances18 (1982, '84, '85, '86, '88, '91, '92, '93, '94, '95, '96, '97, '98, '99, 2000, '05, '09, '14) AIAW Championship Appearances
(1982, '84, '85, '86, '88, '91, '92, '93, '94
'95, '96, '97, '98, '99, 2000, '05, '09, '14)
AIAW Championship Appearances7
(1975, '76, '77, '78, '79, '80, '81)

Name	Pronunciation
Erynne Allen	Erin Allen
Jessie Bastardi	Jessie Bas-TAR-di
Amy Bladon	Amy BLADE-in
Alissa Bonsall	Alissa Bon-zall
Lauren Bridgens	Lauren Bridge-ens
Kourtney Chinnery	Kourtney Chin-er-y
Dymiana Cox	DIM-y-ana Cox
Bella Romagnano	Bella ROMAN-yeno
Cassidy Rushlow	Cassidy RUSH-lowe
Ava Verdeflor	Ava Ver-de-floor

**National Rankings (Top 50)** 

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Gymnast AA	V V	UB	ВВ	FX	
Allen -	-	-	-	39/15	
Astarita -	-	-	-	25/9	
Ayers -	-	-	-	-	
Bastardi -	-	-	-	-	
Bladon -	-	-	-	-	
Bonsall -	46/14	-	-	-	
Bridgens -	-	-	-	-	
Chinnery -	-	-	-	-	
Cox -	-	-	-	-	
Cross -	23/6	-	17/6	-	
Howell -	-	-	-	-	
Johnston -	-	-	41/11	-	
Mace -	-	-	-	-	
Romagnano -	-	-	-	-	
Rushlow 26/	/6 -	-	-	-	
Verdeflor -	-	-	-	-	
Walker -	-	-	-	-	
TEAM 28/ ^ Exhibition	7 15/5	27/7	29/7	28/7	



## **TEAM** MEET-BY-MEET

Date - Opponent	Event Order	٧	UB	BB	FX	TEAM
Jan. 17 - No. 28 Maryland	V, UB, BB, FX	48.950	48.250	48.250	48.425	193.875
Jan. 23 - No. 29 Nebraska*	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan. 30 - at No. 4 Minnesota*	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feb. 5 - at No. 22 Maryland*	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feb. 13 - No. 17 Illinois*	-	=	-	-	-	=
Feb. 22 - No. 13 Ohio State*	-	=	-	-	-	=
Feb. 26 - vs. No. 9 Iowa, No. 3 Michigan, Michigan State, Rutgers*	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mar. 5 - at No. 13 Ohio State	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mar. 13 - at Rutgers	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mar. 20 - Big Ten Championships	-	-	-	-	-	-
Apr. x - NCAA Regionals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Apr. 17-18 - NCAA Championships	-	_	_	_	_	_

#### **SEASON HIGH IN BOLD**

## **TOP TEN PERFORMANCES**

Vault	(Rowland/Persone	ett, 10.0)
Natalie Cross	9.850	1/17
Alissa Bonsall	9.825	1/17
Cassidy Rushlow	9.825	1/17
Maddie Johnston	9.775	1/17
Amy Bladon	9.675	1/17
Donna Howell	9.525	1/17
Uneven Bars	(Bridge	ns, 10.0)
Uneven Bars Alissa Bonsall	( <b>Bridge</b> ) 9.825	ns, 10.0) 1/17
Alissa Bonsall	9.825	1/17
Alissa Bonsall Cassidy Rushlow	9.825 9.825	1/17 1/17
Alissa Bonsall Cassidy Rushlow Natalie Cross	9.825 9.825 9.750	1/17 1/17 1/17
Alissa Bonsall Cassidy Rushlow Natalie Cross Maggie Ayers	9.825 9.825 9.750 9.725	1/17 1/17 1/17 1/17

<u>balance beam</u>	(Leopoidus/Rowiand/Smir	111, 10.0)
Natalie Cross	9.875	1/17
Maddie Johnston	9.825	1/17
Ava Verdeflor	9.775	1/17
Cassidy Rushlow	9.625	1/17
Amy Bladon	9.150	1/17
Maggie Ayers	8.550	1/17
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Floor Exercise	(Case	y, 10.0)
Floor Exercise Melissa Astarita	(Case 9.875	<b>2y, 10.0)</b> 1/17
Melissa Astarita	9.875	1/17
Melissa Astarita Erynne Allen	9.875 9.850	1/17 1/17
Melissa Astarita Erynne Allen Alissa Bonsall	9.875 9.850 9.825	1/17 1/17 1/17

All-Around	(Rowland,	39.775)
Cassidy Rushlow	39.100	1/17

#### **Career Event Titles (Season Event Titles)**

Gymnast	AA	V	UB	ВВ	FX
Allen	-	-	-	-	-
Astarita	-	-	-	-	4 (1)
Ayers	-	-	-	-	-
Bastardi	-	-	-	2 (-)	-
Bladon	-	-	-	-	-
Bonsall	-	2 (-)	4 (-)	-	-
Bridgens	11 (-)	5 (-)	12 (-)	1(-)	5 (-)
Chinnery	-	2 (-)	-	-	-
Cox	-	-	-	-	-
Cross	-	-	-	-	-
Howell	-	-	-	-	-
Johnston		-	-	-	-
Mace	-	-	-	-	-
Romagnano	-	-	-	-	-
Rushlow	2 (1)	2 (-)	1(-)	1 (-)	-
Verdeflor	-	-	-	-	-
Walker	-	-	-	-	-

INCLUDES TIES

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates Big Ten Conference Meet Rankings based on RoadToNationals Rankings



# **GYMNAST** MEET-BY-MEET

Erynne Allen	Sr.
Vault	(9.800, 2/14/20)
Uneven Bars	(9.800, 2/2/19)
Floor Exercise	(9.850, 1/17/21)
Maryland (1/17)	9.850 (4)
Melissa Astarita Vault	Jr.
Maryland (1/17)	(9.800, 3/17/19) 9.500^
Balance Beam	(9.700^, 1/17/21)
Maryland (1/17)	9.700^
Floor Exercise	(9.925, 2/29/20)
Maryland (1/17)	9.875 (1)
Maggie Ayers	Fr. (0.735, 1/17/31)
Uneven Bars Maryland (1/17)	(9.725, 1/17/21) 9.725 (6)
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Balance Beam Maryland (1/17)	(8.550, 1/17/21) 8.550 (12)
Floor Francisco	(0.075.1/17/21)
Floor Exercise Maryland (1/17)	(8.975, 1/17/21) 8.975 (12)
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<u>Jessie Bastardi</u> Vault	<u>Jr.</u> (9.600, 1/4/20)
Uneven Bars	(9.825^, 2/2/19)
Balance Beam	(9.925, 2/9/19)
Amy Bladon	So.
Vault	(9.750, 2/22/20)
Maryland (1/17)	9.675 (10)
Balance Beam	(9.150, 1/17/21)
Maryland (1/17)	9.150 (11)
Floor Exercise	(9.050, 1/17/21)
Maryland (1/17)	9.050 (11)
Alissa Bonsall All-Around	Sr. (38.750, 1/6/18)
All-Alouliu	(30.730, 1/0/10)
<b>Vault</b> Maryland (1/17)	(9.900, 2/22/20) 9.825 (5)
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Uneven Bars Maryland (1/17)	(9.900, 1/25/20) 9.825 (3)
Balance Beam	(9.675, 1/5/19)
Floor Francis	
Floor Exercise Maryland (1/17)	(9.875, 3/23/19) 9.825 (6)
Lauren Bridgens	Sr. (20.525.4.(20.5)
All-Around	(39.525, 1/26/19)
Vault	(9.925, 3/4/18)
Uneven Bars	(10.0, 3/9/18)
Balance Beam	(9.900, 3/7/20)
Floor Exercise	(9.950, 1/25/20)

Kourtney Chinnery Vault	Sr. (9.875, 2/22/20)
Uneven Bars	(9.850, 3/8/19)
Balance Beam	(9.675^, 1/26/19)
Floor Exercise	(9.850, 1/26/19)
Dymiana Cox	Jr.
Natalie Cross	Fr.
<b>Vault</b> Maryland (1/17)	(9.850, 1/17/21) 9.850 (2)
Uneven Bars	(9.750, 1/17/21)
Maryland (1/17)	9.750 (5)
<b>Balance Beam</b> Maryland (1/17)	(9.875, 1/17/21) 9.875 (2)
Donna Howell	Jr.
Vault	(9.525, 1/17/21)
Maryland (1/17)  Uneven Bars	9.525 (11)
Maryland (1/17)	(9.450, 1/17/21) 9.450^
Maddie Johnston	Fr.
<b>Vault</b> Maryland (1/17)	(9.775, 1/17/21) 9.775 (8)
Uneven Bars	(8.875, 1/17/21)
Maryland (1/17)	8.875 (12)
<b>Balance Beam</b> Maryland (1/17)	(9.825, 1/17/21) 9.825 (3)
Maggie Mace	9.525 (5) Fr.
Bella Romagnano Balance Beam	<u>So.</u> (9.825, 3/7/20)
Cassidy Rushlow	So.
All-Around	(39.300, 2/22/20)
Maryland (1/17)	39.100 (1)
<b>Vault</b> Maryland (1/17)	(9.900, 2/22/20) 9.825 (5)
Uneven Bars	(9.925, 1/11/20)
Maryland (1/17)	9.825 (3)
Balance Beam	(9.900, 1/31/20)
Maryland (1/17)	9.625 (8)
Floor Exercise Maryland (1/17)	(9.825, 1/17/21) 9.825 (6)
Ava Verdeflor	Sr.
<b>Uneven Bars</b> Maryland (1/17)	(9.850, 1/31/20) 9.125 (10)
<b>Balance Beam</b> Maryland (1/17)	(9.850, 3/7/20) 9.775 (4)
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Abi Walker	Fr.

KEY	
Event	(Career Best, Date)
Meet (Date)	Score (Place)

- School Record # - NCAA Record \$ - Big Ten Record ^ - Exhibition Score **Season Highs in BOLD** 



#### INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL RECORDS

VAULT					
1.	10.0	Brandi Personett	2/13/2010		
		Brandi Personett	1/23/2010		
		Katie Rowland	3/29/2003		
		Katie Rowland	2/16/2003		
5.	9.975	Emma Sibson	3/8/2014		
		Sharaya Musser	3/7/2010		
		Brandi Personett	2/2/2008		
_	0.050	Katie Rowland	3/8/2003		
9.	9.950	Briannah Tsang	1/31/2015		
		Krystal Welsh	1/31/2015 1/17/2015		
		Briannah Tsang Emma Sibson	2/8/2014		
		Madison Merriam	3/16/2014		
		Madison Merriam	2/16/2013		
		Sharaya Musser	3/17/2012		
		Sharaya Musser	3/2/2012		
		Sharaya Musser	1/15/2012		
		Sharaya Musser	2/11/2011		
		Sharaya Musser	3/20/2010		
		Brandi Personett	4/10/2010		
		Brandi Personett	2/20/2010		
		Brandi Personett	2/13/2009		
		Brandi Personett	1/30/2009		
		Brandi Personett	3/29/2008		
		Brandi Personett	3/31/2007		
		Jennifer Orlando	2/25/2006		
		Lisa Clark	2/13/2005		
		Lisa Clark	4/3/2004		
		Katie Rowland	4/12/003		
		Katie Rowland	2/7/2003		
		Katie Rowland	1/11/2003		
		Katie Rowland Katie Rowland	3/23/2002 3/9/2002		
		Katie Rowland	2/15/2002		
		Katie Rowland	3/10/2002		
		Gemma Cuff	3/2/2000		
		Gemma Cuff	2/28/1998		
		Joanna Knox	3/25/1995		
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	IEVEN B		
1.		Lauren Bridgens	3/9/2018
2.	9.975	Natalie Ettl	2/18/2011
4	0.050	Katie Perret	3/16/2007
4.	9.950	Sabrina Garcia Sabrina Garcia	1/19/2019 1/21/2017
		Sabrina Garcia	1/7/2017
		Kiera Brown	3/19/2016
		Kiera Brown	1/9/2016
		Krystal Welsh	3/8/2015
		Madison Merriam	2/23/2013
		Natalie Ettl	2/6/2011
		Natalie Ettl	3/7/2010
		Natalie Ettl	2/6/2010
		Katie McAvoy	3/1/2003
		Katie McAvoy Katie Rowland	2/2/2002 3/16/2002
		Katie Rowland	2/17/2001
		Maria Taylor	2/23/2001
		Nikki Smith	3/13/1999
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	LANCE		
1.	10.0	Katie Rowland	3/14/2003
		Nikki Smith	3/18/2000
		Missy Leopoldus	2/19/1999
5.	9.975	Missy Leopoldus Nicole Medvitz	1/30/1999 3/12/2016
٥.	9.913	Meredith Hoover	2/25/2006
		Richelle Simpson	2/17/2001
		Maria Taylor	2/17/2001
		Nikki Smith	1/22/2000
10	. 9.950	Tess McCracken	3/7/2020
		Sydney Sanabria-Robles	1/31/2015
		Briannah Tsang	1/24/2015
		Kassidy Stauder	3/8/2014
		Sharaya Musser Sharaya Musser	3/16/2013 2/11/2012
		Sharaya Musser	3/4/2012
		Brandi Personett	2/6/2010
		Kristal Uzelac	3/26/2005
		Katie Rowland	3/9/2002
		Nikki Smith	3/11/2000
		Nikki Smith	1/16/2000
		Missy Leopoldus	1999
		Missy Leopoldus	1/17/1998
		Nicole Malinak	2/28/1997

FLOOR EXERCISE				
1.	10.0	Ellen Casey	2/19/1999	
2.	9.975	Katie Rowland	3/14/2003	
		Gemma Cuff	2/23/2001	
		Ellen Casey	1999	
5.	9.950	Lauren Bridgens	1/25/2020	
		Briannah Tsang	3/24/2018	
		Briannah Tsang	2/24/2018	
		Briannah Tsang	3/5/2017	
		Emma Sibson	3/8/2015	
		Sharaya Musser	3/17/2012	
		Sharaya Musser	3/4/2011	
		Sharaya Musser	2/18/2011	
		Brandi Personett	3/27/2010	
		Brandi Personett	3/20/2010	
		Brandi Personett	2/20/2010	
		Brandi Personett	3/21/2009	
		Brandi Personett	3/8/2009	
		Brandi Personett	3/1/2009	
		Brandi Personett	3/1/2008	
		Brandi Personett	2/24/2007	
		Kate Stopper	2/6/2004	
		Katie Rowland	4/12/2003	
		Katie Rowland	3/1/2003	
		Katie Rowland	2/16/2003	
		Katie Rowland	2/1/2003	
		Katie Rowland	3/16/2002	
		Katie Rowland	2/23/2001	
		Katie Rowland	2/3/2001	
		Leslie Bair	2/23/2001	
		Richelle Simpson	2/23/2001	
		Heather Duggan	2/19/2000	
		Missy Leopoldus	3/14/1998	
		Ellen Casey	1999	
		Ellen Casey	2/28/1998	
		Ellen Casey	3/16/1997	

ALL-AROUND Katie Rowland 3/14/2003 39.725 Sharaya Musser 3/4/2011 3/9/2002 Katie Rowland Brandi Personett 2/20/2010 Katie Rowland 2/16/2003 39.650 Sharaya Musser 3/16/2013 3/17/2012 Sharaya Musser Sharaya Musser 3/2/2012 Katie Rowland 2/23/2001

**NOTES:** Listed alphabetically based on most recent performance.

Katie Rowland

#### **VAULT** 49.550 at Illinois 1/31/2015 49.500 Cornell, Iowa, Yale 1/23/2010 49.500 at NCAA Regionals 49.500 at West Virginia w/ Rutgers 2/16/2003 Kentucky at West Virginia w/ Ball State at N.H. w/Bridgeport, G. Wash. 49.475 3/16/2013 2/13/2005 3/8/2014 49.475 49.450 49.450 Iowa State, Penn, 2/28/2015 SUNY-Brockport 49.425 Nebraska, Rutgers, Yale 2/10/2006 10. 49.400 at Pittsburgh 2/13/2010 **UNEVEN BARS** 49.500 Massachusetts 2/23/2001 49.475 at BYU, TWU & Utah State 3/9/2018 49.425 Nebraska 3/1/2003 49.375 at Michigan State 2/4/2018 2/4/2018 2/18/2011 3/16/2007 2/17/2001 2/23/2013 49.375 at Maryland Quad at Arizona w/ Kentucky, TWU 49.375 at Rhode Island 49.375 Michigan State 49.350

at Big Ten Championships

3/17/2012

3/27/2010

3/18/2006 3/6/2004

1/20/2001

2/19/1999

2/6/2010

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Maryland

at Pittsburgh

at New Hampshire New Hampshire

NCAA Regionals

Illinois

#### **TEAM SCHOOL RECORDS**

BALANCE BEAM				
1.	49.650	at Rhode Island	2/17/2001	
2.	49.550	Big Ten Championships	3/18/2000	
3.	49.425	Central Michigan	1/24/2004	
4.	49.375	Iowa, Mich., Minn., Rutgers	3/12/2016	
	49.375	at N.H. w/Bridgeport, G. Wash.	3/8/2014	
	49.375	at Pittsburgh	2/28/2004	
	49.375	Pennsylvania Championships	2/28/1997	
8.	49.350	at Rutgers	2/9/2019	
	49.350	Maryland, Michigan, Bridgeport	3/7/2010	
	49.350	at Illinois	1/13/2001	

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١.	49.725	Massachusetts
2.	49.550	Pittsburgh
3.	49.525	New Hampshire, Penn, Temple

 49.525
 New Hampshire, Penn, Temple
 3/9/2013

 49.525
 Florida
 1/30/1999

 49.500
 Alabama
 2/19/1999

 49.450
 at Pittsburgh
 3/11/2012

 49.425
 NCAA Regionals
 4/5/2014

 49.425
 Big Ten Championships
 3/22/2014

 49.425
 at Big Ten Championships
 3/21/2009

 49.425
 Maryland
 1/29/2005

TE	AM		
1.	197.450	Massachusetts	2/23/2001
2.	197.325	Kentucky	3/16/2013
3.	197.200	at N.H. w/Bridgeport, G. Wash.	3/8/2014
4.	197.125	lowa, Mich., Minn., Rutgers	3/12/2016
5.	197.075	Maryland, North Carolina State	3/4/2011
6.	197.025	Alabama	2/19/1999
	197.025	Michigan State	2/7/2015
8.	196.975	New Hampshire, Penn, Temple	3/9/2013
9.	196.875	Pittsburgh	2/3/2001
10.	196.825	at Arizona w/Kentucky, TWU	3/16/2007
11.	196.775	Minnesota	1/26/2019
11.	196.775	at Rhode Island	2/17/2001

2/23/2001

2/3/2001

2/17/2001





SARAH BROWN

HEAD COACH

4th Season

Missouri '10

Career Record: 41-34 (Fifth season)

Penn State Record: 29-27 (Fourth season)

#### **ACCOLADES**

 Midwest Independent Assistant Coach of the Year (2014)

#### **UNDER BROWN**

- 3 NCAA Championships qualifiers
- 2 NACGC/W All-Americans
- 8 All-Big Ten Selections
- 1 Big Ten Individual Event Champion

# YEAR-BY-YEAR 2017 (EMU) 11-4 2018 11-8 2019 10-9 2020 8-9 Total 41-33 Penn State 29-26

Sarah Brown begins her fourth year as the head coach of the Penn State women's gymnastics team in 2021. Brown was named the eighth head coach of the Penn State women's gymnastics program on May 4, 2017. A two-time Big 12 Conference Gymnast of the Year, Brown came to Happy Valley after serving as the head coach at Eastern Michigan University.

Brown led the Nittany Lions to eight dual-meet wins in 2020, including four against Big Ten opponents, and a No. 30 ranking in the RoadToNationals standings. Penn State earned five scores above a 196.000, its most since 2015. The Nittany Lions averaged a 196.230 in five home meets, its highest since 2015. PSU claimed wins over four ranked opponents, including No. 32 lowa, No. 24 Maryland, No. 31 Michigan State and No. 27 NC State. No postseason events were held after the season was canceled on March 12 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Nittany Lions finished the season with a 195.860 National Qualifying Score (NQS). Penn State ranked 21st in the nation on bars (49.130 NQS) and held a 49.045 NQS on floor. On the season, PSU had five scores above a 49.000 on bars, five scores above a 49.000 on floor. four on beam and two on yault.

Penn State earned team-high scores of 49.300 on vault (Big Five Meet, 2/22), 49.300 on bars (West Virginia, 1/11), 49.325 on beam (Florida, 3/7) and 49.375 on floor (Iowa, 1/25). The Nittany Lions tallied in overall team-high of 196.575 in their Quad Meet sweep over NC State, Cornell and Towson.

Junior Lauren Bridgens was named All-Big Ten first team, becoming the ninth Nittany Lion to earn at least three first-team All-Big Ten honors in their career. Bridgens won 13 event titles, including four all-around. She tallied six scores of 9.900 and eight all-around scores above a 39.000. Bridgens finished the season ranked 28th in the nation in all-around, 47th on bars and 51st on floor.

Freshman Cassidy Rushlow garnered All-Big Ten second team accolades. She won five event titles, including one in all-around. Rushlow was ranked 39th in the country in all-around and 63rd on beam. She earned four scores of 9.900 or better and five all-around scores above a 39.000.

In 2019, the Nittany Lions had a 10-9 meet record, including victories over No. 21 Arizona State, No. 22 Ohio State, No. 27 NC State, No. 32 Temple and No. 34 Illinois. Penn State placed fifth in the Big Ten Championships, hosted at Rec Hall. Penn State was selected for the NCAA Regional in Ann Arbor and finished third in the Session I meet against No. 7 Michigan, No. 10 Alabama and No. 26 Ohio State. The Nittany Lions ended the season ranked No. 24 in the RoadToNationals poll, it's highest finish since 2015.

Senior Sabrina Garcia and freshman Jessie Bastardi qualified for the NCAA Championships. Garcia earned a 9.900 on bars at the NCAA Regional, tying for the top score in the regional and tying her score from 2017 for PSU's top bars score in a regional. Bastardi secured a 9.900 on beam at the NCAA Regional, also matching the top score in the regional and tying Meredith Hoover (2003) for the top beam score in PSU regional history. Sophomore Lauren Bridgens was a first-team All-Big Ten selection, while Garcia earned second-team accolades.

During her lone season as the head coach of the Eastern Michigan women's gymnastics team in 2017, Brown led the Eagles to the Mid-American Conference (MAC) regular-season title, the MAC Championship, an appearance at the NCAA Regionals and a final national ranking of No. 27. At the 2017 MAC Gymnastics Championships, Eastern Michigan tallied its second-best score in program history (196.500), recorded a school record on the uneven bars (49.300) and three gymnasts tied for the uneven bars title.

Brown began her collegiate gymnastics career at the University of Utah for one season before completing her collegiate career at the University of Missouri. A four-time All-American at Mizzou, she was the Tigers' Female Athlete of the Year in 2009 and 2010 and earned the Director of Athletics Leadership Award in 2010. Along with her All-America plaudits, Brown was selected the Big 12 Conference Gymnast of the Year in 2009 and 2010, was named to the All-Big 12 Championship Team nine times and was a nominee for the 2010 Honda Broderick Cup. Prior to her collegiate gymnastics career, she was a four-time member of the USA National Team (2002-05).

A two-time graduate of the University of Missouri, Brown earned a bachelor's degree in interdisciplinary studies with an emphasis in communication and business in 2010 and a master's of education in counseling psychology with an emphasis in sport psychology in 2012

A native of Columbia, Missouri, the former Sarah Shire is married to Antonio Brown. They have two sons, Isaiah and Elijah.



### **2021 TV/RADIO ROSTER**



**Erynne Allen**Sr. • Douglasville, Ga.



**Melissa Astarita**Jr. • Morganville, N.J.



Maggie Ayers Fr. • York, Pa.



**Jessie Bastardi** Jr. • State College, Pa.



**Amy Bladon**So. • Sarnia, Ontario



**Alissa Bonsall** Sr. • Higganum, Conn.



**Lauren Bridgens**Sr. • Darnestown, Md.



Kourtney Chinnery Sr. • Suffolk, Va.



**Dymiana Cox** Jr. • Elmont, N.Y.



**Natalie Cross**Fr. • Ellicott City, Md.



**Donna Howell**Jr. • New Milford, Pa.



Maddie Johnston Fr. • Boyds, Md.



**Maggie Mace**Fr. • Dayton, Ohio



**Bella Romagnano** So. • New Albany, Ohio



**Cassidy Rushlow**So. • Worcester, Mass.



**Ava Verdeflor** Sr. • Allen, Texas



**Abi Walker** Fr. • Vidalia, Ga.



Sarah Brown Head Coach Fourth Season



**Dallas Becerra** Assistant Coach Fourth Season



Rachel Inniss
Assistant Coach
First Season