



# NOTES!

## NOTES: September 15, 2021, Edition

### THIS WEEK'S ACTION

**#8 Penn State (5-0, 0-0 B1G) vs. #7 Maryland (4-1, 0-0 B1G)**

**DATE: Saturday, September 18, 2021, 1:00 p.m.**

**SITE: College Park, Md.**

Penn State Head Coach: Char Morett-Curtiss

Maryland Head Coach: Missy Meharg

All-Time Series: Penn State leads 25-18-1  
Last Meeting: L, 2-3 (3/14/21) at Penn State

### 2021 SCHEDULE

#### AUGUST

Fri. 27 at #8 Virginia W, 3-2 (ot)  
Sun. 29 at William & Mary W, 7-2

#### SEPTEMBER

Sun. 5 **#20 ST. JOSEPH'S** W, 3-2  
Fri. 10 **ALBANY** W, 3-1  
Sun. 12 **#19 DELAWARE** W, 3-0  
Sat. 18 at #7 Maryland\* 1 p.m.  
Fri. 24 at Iowa\* 7 p.m.  
Sun. 26 at Iowa 1 p.m.

#### OCTOBER

Fri. 1 **INDIANA\*** 6 p.m.  
Sun. 3 **NORTHWESTERN\*** 12 p.m.  
Fri. 8 **RUTGERS\*** 4 p.m.  
Sat. 9 **BUCKNELL** 2 p.m.  
Fri. 15 at Lafayette 7 p.m.  
Sun. 17 at Princeton 12 p.m.  
Fri. 22 at Ohio State\* (B1GN) 3 p.m.  
Sun. 24 at Michigan State\* (B1GN) 2 p.m.  
Fri. 29 **MICHIGAN\*** 6 p.m.

#### NOVEMBER

W/Sun. 3-7 2021 Big Ten Tournament at Rutgers, Piscataway, N.J.  
Fr./Sun. 12-14 NCAA Field Hockey Tournament First Round Weekend

\* Big Ten Game

All Times EASTERN

Home games in **BOLD CAPS**

### THIS WEEK'S BREAKDOWN

	Penn State	Maryland
Overall Record	5-0	4-1
Conference Record	0-0	0-0
Goals Scored	19	15
Goals Per Game	3.80	3.00
Goals Allowed	7	6
Goals Allowed Per Game	1.40	1.20
Shots	69	46
Shots Per Game	13.8	18.8
Shots Allowed Per Game	11.8	9.8
Saves/Saves %	25/.781	14/.700
Corners	35	43
Shutouts	1	3



## THIS WEEK

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa.; September 15, 2021 -- The Penn State Nittany Lions (5-0, 0-0 B1G), ranked No. 8 nationally, visit No. 7 Maryland (4-1, 0-0 B1G) in their Big Ten opener. Game time in College Park, Md., is set for 1 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 18.

Penn State is coming off an outstanding weekend of non-conference action, picking up two wins at home. The Nittany Lions used two goals from Anna Simon to down Albany 3-1 on Friday. The team then used a goal from Simon, one from Mackenzie Allesie, another from Sophia Gladieux as well as six saves from keeper Brie Barraco to shutout No. 19 Delaware 3-0 on Sunday.

The Nittany Lion offense is emerging as an extremely balanced attack, able to score from anywhere on the field. Simon leads the team with 15 points off seven goals and an assists, finishing off a very effective penalty corner offense. Gladieux has 12 off five and two, Allesie has ten off two and a team-best six assists. Elena Vos has six assists and anchors the Penn State defense. Barraco has 25 saves and a .781 save percentage.

Maryland enters the weekend with a 4-1 record. The Terrapins are coming off a 1- win over No. 21 UMass on Friday and a 4-0 win over Cal on Sunday. Bib Donraadt leads Maryland with nine points off three goals and three assists. Noelle Frost has 14 saves and three shutouts. The Nittany Lions lead the all-time series between the two teams 25-18-1. Maryland won the last meeting, a 3-2 victory at Penn State during last year's 'spring' season on March 14, 2021.

Penn State travels to Iowa next weekend for a pair of games. The Nittany Lions and Hawkeyes tangle on Friday, Sept. 24, at 7 p.m. in a Big Ten game. The two teams then face each other on Sunday, Sept. 26, at 1 p.m. in a non-conference game.

Fans are encouraged to follow the Nittany Lion field hockey team online at [www.GoPSUsports.com](http://www.GoPSUsports.com) (click teams, click field hockey), on twitter @pennstateFH and on facebook at [www.facebook.com/pennstatefieldhockey](http://www.facebook.com/pennstatefieldhockey).

## QUICK FACTS

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Location	University Park, Pa.
Founded	1855
Enrollment	47,261
Colors	Blue and White
Conference	Big Ten
Nickname	Nittany Lions
President	Dr. Eric J. Barron
Vice President of ICA	Sandy Barbour
Home Field	Penn State Field Hockey Complex (750)

### COACHING STAFF

Head Coach	Charlene Morett-Curtiss (Penn State, 1979)
Career Record/Years	544-22\9-17/37
Record at Penn State/Years	510-213-8/34
Associate Head Coach	Lisa Bervinchak-Love (Penn State, 1989)
Assistant Coach	Laura Gebhart (Penn State, 2015)
Director of Operations	Miriam Powell

### TEAM INFORMATION

2020-21 Record	7-7
2020-21 Big Ten Record	5-2
2020-21 Big Ten Tournament	0-1
Letterwinners Returning/Lost	17/3
Starters Returning/Lost	10/2
Newcomers	8
All-Time Record	712-287-37
All-Time Big Ten Record	151-644-1
All-Time Big Ten Tournament Record	33-20
NCAA Tournament Appearances	33
NCAA Tournament Record	25-37
NCAA Semifinal Appearances	7
NCAA Championship Game Appearances	2
Last NCAA Tournament Appearance	2018

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## NOTES

### BARRACO'S SIX SAVES AND A BALANCED ATTACK LEADS LIONS TO 3-0 WIN OVER #19 DELAWARE

Junior goalie Brie Barraco notched six saves to anchor a stingy Penn State defense and picked up her first shutout of the season in a 3-0 win over #19 Delaware on Sept. 12 in State College. Anna Simon, Mackenzie Allesie and Sophia Gladieux each scored in the win.

### SIMON'S TWO GOALS LEADS PENN STATE TO 3-1 WIN OVER ALBANY

Senior Anna Simon connected twice on Penn State's penalty corner set, taking assists from Mackenzie Allesie and Elena Vos, to spark Penn State to a 3-1 win over Albany on Sept. 10 in Happy Valley.

### GLADIEUX'S TWO GOALS LEAD PENN STATE TO 3-2 WIN OVER #20 ST. JOSEPH'S

Sophomore Sophia Gladieux notched two goals to lead Penn State to a 3-2 victory over St. Joseph's on Sept. 5. Gladieux's two-goal effort was joined by a solo score from Emma Spisak as Penn State won its home opener at the Penn State Field Hockey Complex.

### SIMON'S HAT TRICK LEADS PENN STATE TO ROAD WIN AT WILLIAM AND MARY

Senior Anna Simon notched a hat trick to lead Penn State to a 7-2 road win at William and Mary on Aug. 29. Simon's three goals all came off Penn State's superb penalty corner set. Mackenzie Allesie had two assists, Elena Vos had two assists, Meghan Reese had a goal and an assist, Emma Spisak had a goal and Sophia Gladieux had a goal and two assists. Brie Barraco had four saves in the win as well.

### PUNCH'S BREAKAWAY LIFTS PENN STATE TO 3-2 VICTORY AT #8 VIRGINIA TO START SEASON

Junior Jemma Punch took a pass from senior Emma Spisak in overtime and broke away for the game-winning goal in a 3-2 (ot) win at #8 Virginia in Penn State's 2021 season opener on Aug. 27. Punch's goal capped off a thrilling road win. Anna Simon and Sophia Gladieux each had goals as well and keeper Brie Barraco withstood 25 Cavalier shots, collecting nine saves.

### PENN STATE BEGINS SEASON RANKED #8 IN NFHCA COACHES POLL

Penn State is ranked #8 in the latest NFHCA Coaches Poll. The Nittany Lions are one of six Big Ten teams ranked in the top ten.

## 2021 BIG TEN STANDINGS (as of 9/13/21)

#	Team	B1G	.pct	Overall	.pct
1.	Iowa	0-0	.000	6-0	1.000
2.	Michigan State	0-0	.000	5-0	1.000
	Penn State	0-0	.000	5-0	1.000
4.	Michigan	0-0	.000	4-0	1.000
5.	Northwestern	0-0	.000	6-1	.857
6.	Ohio State	0-0	.000	5-1	.833
7.	Rutgers	0-0	.000	4-1	.800
	Maryland	0-0	.000	4-1	.800
9.	Indiana	0-0	.000	4-2	.667

## NFHCA POLL (9/15/21)

Rk.	Team
1	Michigan
2	Iowa
3	Boston College
4	Northwestern
5	Louisville
6	North Carolina
7	Maryland
8	Penn State
9	St. Joseph's
10	Rutgers
11	Virginia
12	Liberty
13	Harvard
14	Syracuse
15	Wake Forest
16	Connecticut
17	Duke
18	Princeton
19	Old Dominion
20	Monmouth
21	UMass
22	Delaware
23	Kent State
24	Ohio State
25	Michigan State



## IMPORTANT PARKING UPDATES FOR 2021

Parking for all Penn State Athletics' non-football events will require a valid permit or payment of the applicable parking fee for campus lots. Fans with valid Penn State University Park parking permits will be permitted to park at non-football athletics events for free, following Transportation Services parking policies and access. For field hockey, fans are asked to park in Jordan East, Stadium West or Porter North. Fans without a permit are encouraged to prepay for event parking at a discounted rate of \$5.50 through ParkMobile - <https://psu.parkmobile.io/>. Prepayment is available through 11:59 p.m. the day prior to each event. Event day parking will be [\$10/\$20] per vehicle [and is cash only/can be purchased on the ParkMobile app]. The East Deck is also available for most events for \$1 per hour. Parking for all non-football athletics events is managed by Penn State Transportation Services. For more information or questions, visit [transportation.psu.edu](http://transportation.psu.edu) or email [parking@psu.edu](mailto:parking@psu.edu).

## PENN STATE HAS TWO ROAD GAMES SET TO AIR ON BIG TEN NETWORK

The Penn State field hockey team has two road games scheduled to be aired live on the Big Ten Network to a national audience this season. The Lions' game at Ohio State on Friday, Oct. 22, at 3 p.m. and their game two days later at Michigan State on Sunday, Oct. 24, at 2 p.m., will be telecast.

## TEAM CAPTAINS

**Meghan Reese**  
**Anna Simon**  
**Emma Spisak**

## HONORS WON

**Anna Simon**  
Penn State Student-Athlete of the Week (9/1)



**CHARLENE MORETT-CURTISS**  
 35TH SEASON AT PSU  
 38TH SEASON OVERALL  
 (Penn State, 1979)

## NCAA DIVISION I ALL-TIME WINNINGEST HEAD COACHES

1. Karen Shelton	North Carolina	1981-Pres. ....	705-165-9
2. Nancy Stevens	Connecticut	1990-2020.....	698-189-24
	Northwestern	1981-89	
	Franklin & Marshall	1979-80	
3. Missy Meharg	Maryland	1988-Pres. ....	590-150-9
4. Beth Anders	Old Dominion	1980-84.....	577-156-7
		1987-2012	
5. Char Morett-Curtiss	Penn State	1984-Pres. ....	544-229-17
	Boston College	1984-86	

## MOST NCAA TOURNAMENTS

Coach	Schools .....	NCAA Tournaments
Karen Shelton	North Carolina .....	37
Nancy Stevens	Connecticut, Northwestern .....	32
Missy Meharg	Maryland.....	30
Charlene Morett-Curtiss	Penn State .....	28
Beth Anders	Old Dominion .....	28

## CHARLENE MORETT-CURTISS YEAR-BY-YEAR

At Boston College (3 years, 34-16-8, .655)

1984	13-4-1	.750
1985	10-5-5	.625
1986	11-7-2	.600

At Penn State (33 years, 503-206-8, .707)

1987	14-5-2	.714 .....	NCAA Tournament
1988	15-6-1	.705 .....	NCAA Quarterfinals
			..... Atlantic 10 West Champions
1989	18-3-1	.841 .....	NCAA Tournament
			..... Atlantic 10 Regular Season Champions
			..... Atlantic 10 Tournament Champions
1990	21-4	.840 .....	NCAA Semifinals
			..... Atlantic 10 Regular Season Champions
			..... Atlantic 10 Tournament Champions
1991	18-3-1	.841 .....	NCAA Semifinals
1992	16-5-1	.750 .....	NCAA Quarterfinals
1993	20-2	.909 .....	NCAA Semifinals
			..... Big Ten Regular Season Champions
1994	13-7-2	.636 .....	NCAA Quarterfinals
1995	15-9	.625 .....	NCAA Quarterfinals
			..... Big Ten Tournament Champions
1996	14-9	.609 .....	NCAA Tournament
			..... Big Ten Tournament Champions
1997	18-6	.750 .....	NCAA Quarterfinals
			..... Big Ten Regular Season Champions
			..... Big Ten Tournament Champions
1998	18-5	.783 .....	NCAA Quarterfinals
			..... Big Ten Regular Season Champions
			..... Big Ten Tournament Champions
1999	17-5	.773 .....	NCAA Tournament
2000	17-6	.739 .....	NCAA Tournament
2001	12-7	.632	
2002	19-5	.792 .....	NCAA National Finalist
2003	18-7	.720 .....	NCAA Quarterfinals
2004	10-10	.500	
2005	17-4	.810 .....	NCAA Tournament
			..... Big Ten Regular Season Champions
2006	16-6	.727 .....	NCAA Quarterfinals
2007	16-8	.667 .....	NCAA National Finalist
2008	13-7	.650 .....	NCAA Tournament
			..... Big Ten Regular Season Champions
2009	7-13	.350	
2010	14-6	.700 .....	NCAA Tournament
2011	17-6	.739 .....	Big Ten Tournament Champions
			..... NCAA Quarterfinals
2012	18-4	.818 .....	NCAA Quarterfinals
			..... Big Ten Regular Season Champions
			..... Big Ten Tournament Champions
2013	13-6	.684 .....	NCAA Tournament
			..... Big Ten Regular Season Champions
2014	16-6	.727 .....	NCAA Quarterfinals
2015	9-10	.474	
2016	17-3	.850 .....	NCAA Tournament
2017	17-5	.773 .....	NCAA Tournament
2018	12-6	.667 .....	NCAA Tournament
2019	8-12	.400 .....	Big Ten Tournament Runner-Up
2020-21	7-7	.500	
37 Yrs	544-229-17	.703 .....	28 NCAA Appearances



# 2021 ROSTERS ( # and alpha )

*Penn State Athletics chose to advance classes as though 2020-21 was a normal year of eligibility. Student-athletes listed as redshirt freshmen in 2021-22 did not officially redshirt in 2020-21, but would have in any other normal year. Extra years of eligibility will be marked on the back end of student-athletes' career (a "+" symbol will be added on the end of "Sr." to indicate the extra year of eligibility being used).*

## NUMERICAL

No.	Name	Pos.	EL	Hometown/High School
2	Mackenzie Allesie	M	Jr.	Mount Joy, Pa./Donegal
3	Sophia Gladieux	F	So.	Boyetown, Pa./Oley Valley
4	Emma Spisak	F	Sr.+	Boiling Springs, Pa./Boiling Springs
5	Carly Gannon	F/M	So.	Havertown, Pa./Haverford
6	Bree Bednarski	F/M	Sr.+	Wyoming, Pa./Wyoming Area
7	Julia Lamb	F/M	R-Fr.	Phoenixville, Pa./Owen J. Roberts
8	Elena Vos	B	Jr.	Grave, The Netherlands/Nijmegen
9	Madison Tambroni	M	Fr.	State College, Pa./State College
10	Madison Reese	D	Jr.	Coopersburg, Pa./Southern Lehigh
11	Meghan Reese	M/B	Sr.	Coopersburg, Pa./Southern Lehigh
12	Brie Barraco	GK	Jr.	Allentown, Pa./Parkland
13	Eleni Prodes	M/B	Sr.	Bethlehem, Pa./Liberty
14	Lauren Delgado	GK	So.	East Earl, Pa./Garden Spot
15	Aubrey Semler	F	Fr.	Orefield, Pa./Parkland
16	Brianna O'Donnell	F	Jr.	Lansdale, Pa./North Penn
17	Anna Simon	M	Sr.	Hanau, Germany/Karl-Rehbein
18	Emily Farrell	M/B	So.	Wyoming, Pa./Dallas
19	Grace Wallis	F	Sr.	Blue Bell, Pa./Mount St. Joseph Academy
20	Anouk Knuvers	M/B	Fr.	's-Hertogenbosch, The Netherlands/Stedelijk
21	Caroline Myers	F	R-Fr.	Hartland, Wis./Arrowhead
23	Jemma Punch	F/M	Jr.	McDowall, Australia/Brisbane
24	Hannah Zemaitis	M	Sr.+	Camp Hill, Pa./Camp Hill
26	Gery Schnarrs	B	So.	Camp Hill, Pa./East Pennsboro
27	Drew Taylor	F	R-Fr.	Coatesville, Pa./Coatesville
30	Emily Bullard	GK	Fr.	Doylestown, Pa./Central Bucks East
33	Kelsey Love	B	So.	State College, Pa./State College
34	Sofia Acosta	B	Fr.	Malvern, Pa./The Episcopal Academy
42	Sophia Mannino	F	Fr.	Doylestown, Pa./Central Bucks East

## ALPHABETICAL

No.	Name	Pos.	EL	Hometown/High School
34	Sofia Acosta	B	Fr.	Malvern, Pa./The Episcopal Academy
2	Mackenzie Allesie	M	Jr.	Mount Joy, Pa./Donegal
12	Brie Barraco	GK	Jr.	Allentown, Pa./Parkland
6	Bree Bednarski	F/M	Sr.+	Wyoming, Pa./Wyoming Area
30	Emily Bullard	GK	Fr.	Doylestown, Pa./Central Bucks East
14	Lauren Delgado	GK	So.	East Earl, Pa./Garden Spot
18	Emily Farrell	M/B	So.	Wyoming, Pa./Dallas
5	Carly Gannon	F/M	So.	Havertown, Pa./Haverford
3	Sophia Gladieux	F	So.	Boyetown, Pa./Oley Valley
20	Anouk Knuvers	M/B	Fr.	's-Hertogenbosch, The Netherlands/Stedelijk
7	Julia Lamb	F/M	R-Fr.	Phoenixville, Pa./Owen J. Roberts
33	Kelsey Love	B	So.	State College, Pa./State College
42	Sophia Mannino	F	Fr.	Doylestown, Pa./Central Bucks East
21	Caroline Myers	F	R-Fr.	Hartland, Wis./Arrowhead
16	Brianna O'Donnell	F	Jr.	Lansdale, Pa./North Penn
13	Eleni Prodes	M/B	Sr.	Bethlehem, Pa./Liberty
23	Jemma Punch	F/M	Jr.	McDowall, Australia/Brisbane
10	Madison Reese	D	Jr.	Coopersburg, Pa./Southern Lehigh
11	Meghan Reese	M/B	Sr.	Coopersburg, Pa./Southern Lehigh
26	Gery Schnarrs	B	So.	Camp Hill, Pa./East Pennsboro
15	Aubrey Semler	F	Fr.	Orefield, Pa./Parkland
17	Anna Simon	M	Sr.	Hanau, Germany/Karl-Rehbein
4	Emma Spisak	F	Sr.+	Boiling Springs, Pa./Boiling Springs
9	Madison Tambroni	M	Fr.	State College, Pa./State College
27	Drew Taylor	F	R-Fr.	Coatesville, Pa./Coatesville
8	Elena Vos	B	Jr.	Grave, The Netherlands/Nijmegen
19	Grace Wallis	F	Sr.	Blue Bell, Pa./Mount St. Joseph Academy
24	Hannah Zemaitis	M	Sr.+	Camp Hill, Pa./Camp Hill

**Head Coach: Charlene Morett-Curtiss (Penn State '79), 38th Season, 35th at Penn State**

Associate Head Coach: Lisa Bervinchak-Love (Penn State '89), 28th Season

Assistant Coach: Laura Gebhart (Penn State '15), 1st season

Volunteer Assistant: Kari Walkley



## The Automated ScoreBook For Soccer Penn State Combined Team Statistics (as of Sep 12, 2021) All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	5-0	3-0	2-0	0-0
CONFERENCE	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	5-0	3-0	2-0	0-0

Date	Opponent	Score	Att.	#	Player	gp	g	a	pts	sh	sh%	sogsog%	gw	ps-att	sv	
Aug 27	at #8 Virginia	wot 3-2	452	3	Gladieux, Sophia	5	5	2	12	22	.22	12	.54	1	0-0	0
Aug 29	at William & Mary	w 7-2	336	17	Simon, Anna	5	7	1	15	18	.38	10	.55	3	0-0	0
Sep 5	ST. JOSEPH'S	w 3-2	620	2	Allessie, Mackenzie	5	2	6	10	7	.28	6	.85	0	1-1	0
Sep 10	ALBANY	w 3-1	274	23	Punch, Jemma	5	1	0	2	7	.14	3	.42	1	0-0	0
Sep 12	DELAWARE	w 3-0	257	4	Spisak, Emma	5	2	1	5	4	.50	3	.75	0	0-0	0

TEAM STATISTICS	PSU	OPP
SHOT STATISTICS		
Goals-Shot attempts	19-69	7-59
Goals scored per game	3.80	1.40
Shot pct.	.275	.119
Shots on goal-Attempts	41-69	32-59
SOG pct.	.594	.542
Shots/Game	13.8	11.8
PENALTY CORNERS	35	26
PENALTY STROKES	1-1	0-0
PENALTIES		
Green cards	3	1
Yellow cards	0	0
Red cards	0	0
ATTENDANCE		
Total	1151	788
Dates/Avg Per Date	3/384	2/394
Neutral Site #/Avg	0/0	

11	Reese, Meghan	5	1	2	4	3	.33	3	1.00	0	0-0	0
33	Love, Kelsey	5	0	1	1	2	.00	2	1.00	0	0-0	0
5	Gannon, Carly	4	0	0	0	1	.00	1	1.00	0	0-0	0
26	Schnarrs, Gery	5	1	0	2	1	1.00	1	1.00	0	0-0	0
19	Wallis, Grace	3	0	0	0	1	.00	0	.00	0	0-0	0
8	Vos, Elena	5	0	6	6	1	.00	0	.00	0	0-0	0
6	Bednarski, Bree	5	0	0	0	1	.00	0	.00	0	0-0	0
16	O'Donnell, Brianna	4	0	0	0	1	.00	0	.00	0	0-0	0
15	Semler, Aubrey	1	0	0	0	0	.00	0	.00	0	0-0	0
18	Farrell, Emily	2	0	0	0	0	.00	0	.00	0	0-0	0
14	Delgado, Lauren	1	0	0	0	0	.00	0	.00	0	0-0	0
20	Knuffers, Anouk	5	0	0	0	0	.00	0	.00	0	0-0	0
21	Myers, Carolina	1	0	0	0	0	.00	0	.00	0	0-0	0
12	Barraco, Brie	5	0	0	0	0	.00	0	.00	0	0-0	0
24	Zemaitis, Hannah	2	0	1	1	0	.00	0	.00	0	0-0	0
10	Reese, Madison	2	0	0	0	0	.00	0	.00	0	0-0	0
27	Taylor, Drew	1	0	1	1	0	.00	0	.00	0	0-0	0
7	Lamb, Julia	1	0	0	0	0	.00	0	.00	0	0-0	0
42	Mannino, Sophia	5	0	1	1	0	.00	0	.00	0	0-0	0
Total		5	19	22	60	69	.27	41	.59	5	1-1	0
Opponents		5	7	8	22	59	.11	32	.54	0	0-0	0

#	Goalie	GP	Min.	GA	GAAvg	Save	Pct	W-L-T	Sho
14	Delgado, Lauren	1	6:47	0	0.00	0	.000	0-0-0	0/0
12	Barraco, Brie	5	297:14	7	2.12	25	.781	5-0-0	1/0
Total		5	304:01	7	2.07	25	.781	5-0-0	1
Opponents		5	304:01	19	5.62	22	.537	0-5-0	0

Goals by Period	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Penn State	3	7	4	4	1	19
Opponents	2	2	2	1	0	7

Shots by Period	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Penn State	10	14	27	16	2	69
Opponents	9	17	20	12	1	59

Saves by Period	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Penn State	4	6	9	5	1	25
Opponents	2	4	11	5	0	22

Corners by Period	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Penn State	6	11	13	5	0	35
Opponents	3	6	9	8	0	26



## #16 PENN STATE 3, #8 VIRGINIA 2 (OT)

Friday, Aug. 27, 2021 -- Charlottesville, Va.

The Penn State Nittany Lion field hockey team (1-0, 0-0 B1G) opened up the 2021 fall season with a thrilling 3-2 overtime win at No. 8 Virginia (0-1) on Friday afternoon. Goalie Brie Barraco (Allentown, Pa.) was outstanding in the cage, fending off 25 total shots and collecting nine saves while Jemma Punch (McDowall, Australia) scored the game winner in extra time to clinch the win.

Penn State got on the scoreboard first in the season's opening game. Midway through the first period, Penn State's offensive pressure led to a penalty corner that ended in a 1-0 Penn State lead. New Nittany Lion Mackenzie Alessie assisted on the corner, setting up Lion captain Anna Simon (Hanau, Germany) for the goal, giving Penn State a 1-0 lead at the 7:03 mark. Penn State's defense, anchored by Meghan Reese (Coopersburg, Pa.) and goalie Brie Barraco (Allentown, Pa.) kept the Cavaliers at length for the opening stanza and Penn State led 1-0 after one. The Nittany Lions continued to hold the lead deep into the second period, but the Cavalier defense stiffened, and Penn State led 1-0 late into the period. Virginia's offense began to break through as the clock moved below the 10:00 mark, forcing a number of penalty corners down the stretch. The home team got on the board for the first time when Amber Ezechiels scored off a penalty corner with 2:39 left in the half, assisted by Meghan Hengerer. The goal tied the game and the 1-1 score held to intermission. Virginia outshot Penn State 12-1 in the first half, six in each period. Penn State keeper Barraco notched three saves, all in the first period. Virginia's Lauren Hausheer had none. Virginia had five penalty corners to one for the Nittany Lions.

Virginia's offense kept the pressure on Penn State for the bulk of the third quarter. Virginia dominated the period on offense, but Barraco held firm in the cage and Penn State maintained its 1-1 deadlock deep into the stanza. The Nittany Lions took a 2-1 lead with just 0:24 left on the clock when Sophia Gladieux (Boyetown, Pa.) scored off an assist from senior Hannah Zemaitis (Camp Hill, Pa.) with less than thirty seconds to play, allowing Penn State to lead 2-1 after three periods. Barraco had three saves in the period. Penn State saw its one-goal lead disappear early in the final period. Virginia tied the game with 10:08 left to play when Adele Iacobucci scored off a deflection and an Ezechiels assist. The goal came off a penalty corner to knot the game at 2-2. The teams traded possessions for the next few minutes and Barraco kept the game tied with a nice save off an Ezechiels shot with under 7:00 to play. Penn State had a late chance to grab the lead, forcing a penalty corner with just 1:32 left in regulation. But Hausheer notched the save on a Gladieux shot and the game moved to overtime.

Virginia began the first extra period fast, working the ball downfield and getting off a shot quickly. But Barraco's save off the Noa Tollaksen shot kept the game tied. Alessie followed for Penn State, getting off a quick shot just seconds later, but the effort was blocked as well. Penn State wrapped the game up, however, just 3:58 into extra time when Jemma Punch (McDowall, Australia) took a great pass from Emma Spisak (Boiling Springs, Pa.) who got the assist, and broke away down field. Elena Vos (Grave, The Netherlands) started the break that led to the final goal. Punch ended the game with a goal at the 6:02 mark of overtime to give Penn State a 3-2 victory. Virginia outshot Penn State 25-8 but the Nittany Lions scored on three of their eight shots while Barraco collected nine saves for Penn State. Hausheer had two saves for Virginia. The Cavaliers had an 11-3 edge in penalty corners as well.

### GAME BREAKDOWN

SCORING:	1	2	3	4	O	T	1
FINAL							
PENN STATE	1	0	1	0		1	3
Virginia	0	1	0	0	1		0

STATS:	PSU	UVA
Shots		8
Corners	3	11

### SCORING SUMMARY (goal/assist) – TIME

- 1st: PSU – Anna Simon (Mackenzie Alessie); 7:03
- 2nd: UVA – Amber Ezechiels (Meghen Hengerer, Annie McDonough); 2:39
- 3rd: PSU – Sophia Gladieux (Hannah Zemaitis); 0:24
- 4th: UVA – Adele Iacobucci (Ezechiels); 10:08
- OT: PSU – Jemma Punch (Emma Spisak); 6:02

GOALKEEPERS:	MIN	GA	S
PSU: Brie Barraco	63:58	2	9
UVA: Lauren Hausheer	63:58	3	2

## #16 PENN STATE 7, WILLIAM & MARY 2

Sunday, Aug. 29, 2021 -- Williamsburg, Va.

The Penn State Nittany Lion field hockey team (2-0, 0-0 B1G) rolled to a big non-conference win at William and Mary (2-0) to close out a two-game swing through Virginia to open up the 2021 fall season. After falling behind by a goal early, Penn State dominated the second period and roared to a 7-2 victory in Williamsburg. Senior Anna Simon (Hanau, Germany) sparked Penn State with three goals, scoring each time within Penn State's penalty corner offense. Junior Elena Vos (Grave, The Netherlands) anchored a strong Penn State defensive showing as well as the Nittany Lion corner offense.

The first period began with a flurry. William and Mary scored quickly, getting a goal from Mollie Schurma just 3:20 into the contest. The Nittany Lions would not trail long, however. Sophia Gladieux (Boyetown, Pa.) took a Meghan Reese (Coopersburg, Pa.) assist and tied the game just over a minute later to tie the score 1-1 with less than five minutes played. Penn State goalie Brie Barraco (Allentown, Pa.) made a nice save off an Audrey Domovich shot with just over 2:30 left in the period, knocking away the shot on a penalty corner. But the Tribe was able to take a 2-1 lead just seconds later when Lily Saunders scored at the 2:15 mark. Gladieux had a shot blocked as the first period wound down and Penn State trailed 2-1 after one. Penn State tied the game quickly in the second period. The Lion offense forced a penalty corner. Mackenzie Alessie (Mount Joy, Pa.) took the corner and fed Vos. Vos tossed it to Simon who knocked in the shot just :37 into the period to tie the game. Jemma Punch (McDowall, Australia) nearly put the Lions on top with a shot a minute later, but her effort hit the post. Penn State's penalty corner set gave the Lions a lead at the 11:06 mark, with the same trio

hitting paydirt: Alessie to Vos to Simon for the score and a 3-2 Penn State lead. Simon continued to pepper the cage on penalty corners. Bree Bednarski (Wyoming, Pa.) took a corner at the 3:23 mark, sent the ball to Gladieux who assisted on a third goal by Simon to put Penn State on top by two, 4-2. Penn State wrapped up a dominant second period when Meghan Reese fended the back of the cage with just :04 on the clock, taking another assist from Gladieux, and the Lions led 5-2 at the break. Penn State outshot William and Mary 8-5 in the opening half. Barraco had two saves to one for Tribe keeper Kimi Jones. The Nittany Lions had a 5-2 edge in penalty corners in the first half as well.

The Nittany Lions continued to pour it on offensively early in the third period. After Barraco knocked back two early Tribe shots, senior Emma Spisak (Boiling Springs, Pa.) took two shots in close to the William and Mary goal. Spisak connected on the second at the 11:58 mark to give the Lions a 6-2 lead. Penn State continued to pressure William and Mary, reeling off four penalty corners in the ensuing minutes after Spisak's goal. The Tribe defense was able to keep Penn State from adding to its lead and the Nittany Lions led by four after three periods. Penn State's depth came to play in the fourth quarter. The Nittany Lions' talented roster was on full display as the defense continued to hold the Tribe at bay. Just under 10 minutes into the final stanza, new Nittany Lion transfer Gery Schnarrs (Camp Hill, Pa) scored her first goal as a Penn Stater, taking an assist from of redshirt freshman Drew Taylor (Coatesville, Pa.) off a penalty corner, scoring at the 4:19 mark to give the Lions a 7-2 lead. Schnarrs' goal was the last of the game as Penn State rolled to the lopsided victory. Penn State outshot William and Mary 18-11 and held an 8-4 edge in penalty corners. Barraco ended the game with four saves and two goals against while Lauren Delgado (East Ear, Pa.) saw nearly 7:00 in the cage in the fourth quarter. Jones had five saves and six goals against for the Tribe while Maddie George had a goal against.

### GAME BREAKDOWN

SCORING:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
PENN STATE	1	4	1	1	7
William and Mary	2	0	0	0	2

STATS:	PSU	WM
Shots		18
Corners	11	4

### SCORING SUMMARY (goal/assist) – TIME

- 1st: WM – Mollie Schurma (unassisted); 11:40
- 1st: PSU – Sophia Gladieux (Meghan Reese); 10:30
- 1st: WM – Lily Saunders (Tabby Billingham); 1:15
- 2nd: PSU – Anna Simon (Mackenzie Alessie, Elena Vos); 14:23
- 2nd: PSU – Simon (Alessie, Vos); 11:06
- 2nd: PSU – Simon (Gladieux); 3:23
- 2nd: PSU – Meghan Reese (Gladieux); 0:04
- 3rd: PSU – Emma Spisak (unassisted); 11:58
- 4th: PSU – Gery Schnarrs (Drew Taylor); 4:19

GOALKEEPERS:	MIN	GA	S
PSU: Brie Barraco	53:13	2	4
Lauren Delgado	6:47	0	0
WM: Kimi Jones	54:59	6	5
Maddie George	5:01	1	0

## #16 PENN STATE 3, #20 ST. JOSEPH'S 2

Sunday, Sept. 5, 2021 -- University Park, Pa.

The Penn State Nittany Lion field hockey team (3-0, 0-0 B1G), ranked No. 16 in the NFCA Coaches Poll, used a late goal from sophomore Sophia Gladieux (Boyetown, Pa.) to beat No. 20 St. Joseph's (1-2) in the home opener for head coach Char Morett-Curtiss and her squad. The Boyertown native scored her second goal of the game with less than 10:00 to play to spark Penn State to the 3-2 non-conference win in Happy Valley.

The two teams battled to an even draw in the opening period. The visitors withstood four early Penn State shots with keeper Robin Bleekemolen notching a save in the period to keep the game knotted in a 0-0 tie after the opening 15:00 of play. The Hawk defense withstood two Penn State penalty corners in the opening period as well. St. Joseph's got on the board first just 1:24 into the second period when Manu Ghigliotti scored off an assist from Katelyn Cocco to give SJU a 1-0 lead. St. Joseph's was able to control the action in the second period, picking up a total of four shots and forcing Penn State goalie Brie Barraco (Allentown, Pa.) into three saves. But Barraco's play in the cage and the Lion defense kept Penn State within one, and eventually the Nittany Lion offense broke through. As the second period wound down, Anna Simon (Hanau, Germany) moved in from the right side of the circle and fed the ball in where Elena Vos (Grave, The Netherlands) tipped the ball towards Emma Spisak (Boiling Springs, Pa.). Spisak moved the ball around Bleekemolen and tied the game at 1-1 with just :32 left in the first half. Penn State outshot St. Joseph's 7-4 in the first 30:00 and had a 4-1 edge in penalty corners. Barraco had three saves to two for Bleekemolen at intermission.

Gladieux scored her first goal of the game just 4:00 into the third period. The sophomore broke open in front of the cage after moving in from the right side of the circle and scored on an unassisted back hand to put Penn State up 2-1. Penn State was able to maintain its one goal lead for six minutes before Ghigliotti scored once more, this time unassisted, to tie the game up at 2-2 with 4:39 left in the third period. The tie score held into the fourth. Penn State took the lead for good with 8:30 left to play. Freshman Sophia Mannino (Doylestown, Pa.) used a nifty move outside the circle, right of the cage, and moved the ball in towards the Hawk cage. She fed Gladieux as both players pressed the cage and Gladieux knocked the ball past the Hawk keeper for the goal, giving Penn State a 3-2 lead. The Nittany Lion defense stood firm for the remainder of the game, including a solid effort on a last-second Hawk penalty corner, to preserve the 3-2 victory. Penn State outshot St. Joseph's 15-11 and had a 9-6 edge in penalty corners. Barraco ended the game with five saves while Bleekemolen had four.

### GAME BREAKDOWN

SCORING:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
PENN STATE	0	1	1	1	3
St. Joseph's	0	1	1	0	2





STATS:	PSU	SJU	
Shots		15	11
Corners	9	6	

**SCORING SUMMARY (goal/assist) – TIME**

- 1st: TEAM – Score (assist); 0:00
- 2nd: SJU – Manu Ghigliotti (Katelyn Cocco); 13:36
- 2nd: PSU – Emma Spisak (Anna Simon, Elena Vos); 0:32
- 3rd: PSU – Sophia Gladieux (unassisted); 10:59
- 3rd: SJU – Ghigliotti (unassisted); 9:39
- 4th: PSU – Gladieux (Sophia Mannino); 8:30

GOALKEEPERS:	MIN	GA	S	
PSU: Brie Barraco	60:00	2	5	
SJU: Robin Bleekemolen	59:00	3	4	
Team	1:00	0	0	0

## #9 PENN STATE 3, ALBANY 1

Friday, Sept. 10, 2021 -- University Park, Pa.

The Penn State Nittany Lion field hockey team (4-0, 0-0 B1G), ranked No. 9 in the NFCA Coaches Poll, used two first half corners and a fourth quarter goal to down visiting Albany (2-2) in a non-conference game at the Penn State Field Hockey Complex. Penn State took down the Great Danes 3-1 at the Penn State Field Hockey Complex. The two teams battled evenly for nearly the entire first period. Penn State's offense was met with a stingy Albany defense that withstood an early Nittany Lion penalty corner effort. The Nittany Lions were able to get on the board late, however, converting on the team's second corner of the period. Anna Simon (Hanau, Germany) knocked in a blistering shot from atop the circle, taking assists from Mackenzie Alessie (Mount Joy, Pa.) and stopper Elena Vos (Hanau, Germany). The goal came with just :13 left in the period and gave Penn State a 1-0 lead.

The second period was similar in form to the first but both offenses began to get on track. Albany had three shots in the period, forcing Penn State keeper Brie Barraco (Allentown, Pa.) into her first save of the game. The Nittany Lions also had three shots, with Albany keeper Lara Behn getting her first save as well. But like the first period, the Penn State penalty corner offense proved too much for the Danes. Simon scored once more, again off assists from Alessie and Vos. The goal came at the 6:51 mark off the second period. The Nittany Lions would carry the 2-0 lead into halftime. Penn State outshot Albany 4-3 in the half and had a 5-0 edge in penalty corners. Barraco and Behn each had one save.

The third period was a defensive battle with each team managing only one shot. The Nittany Lions faced more pressure in and around their circle than the first half, but only allowed the one shot. The Great Danes, however, made that one shot count. Midway through the third, Albany worked the ball into the Nittany Lion circle and forced the team's first penalty corner. The Danes made it count, getting a goal from Floor de Ruiter off assists from Alison Smisdorn and Blanca Orsola. The goal was the only of the period and Penn State led by just one, 2-1, heading into the fourth. Penn State picked up its offensive pressure in the final period and the Nittany Lion defense held Albany to no shots. While pitching a shutout defensively over the final 15:00, Alessie iced the game with just 4:50 left to play, scoring from the middle of the circle for her first goal as a Nittany Lion. Kelsey Love (State College, Pa.) fed the ball in from the right side to Meghan Reese (Coopersburg, Pa.), who made a nifty tip pass to Alessie. Love and Reese tallied assists on the play. The Nittany Lions outshot Albany 7-4 and owned a 6-1 edge in penalty corners. Barraco had one save in the contest while Behn had three for Albany.

**GAME BREAKDOWN**

SCORING:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
PENN STATE	1	1	0	1	3
Albany	0	0	0	1	0

STATS:	PSU	UA	
Shots	7	4	
Corners	6	1	

**SCORING SUMMARY (goal/assist) – TIME**

- 1st: PSU – Anna Simon (Mackenzie Alessie, Elena Vos); 0:13
- 2nd: PSU – Simon (Alessie, Vos); 6:51
- 3rd: UA – Floor de Ruiter (Alison Smisdorn, Blanca Orsola); 6:54
- 4th: PSU – Alessie (Kelsey Love, Meghan Reese); 4:50

GOALKEEPERS:	MIN	GA	S
PSU: Brie Barraco	60:00	1	1
UA: Lara Behn	60:00	3	3

## #9 PENN STATE 3, #19 DELAWARE 0

Saturday, Sept. 12, 2021 -- University Park, Pa.

– The Penn State Nittany Lion field hockey team (5-0, 0-0 B1G), ranked No. 9 in the NFCA Coaches Poll, used a furious second half of offense to run away from No. 19 Delaware (2-4) for another impressive non-conference win. The Nittany Lions posted the 3-0 victory at the Penn State Field Hockey Complex to improve their record to 5-0 on the year. The two teams set a fast pace from the opening whistle. The Nittany Lions and Blue Hens worked the middle of the field for the opening 15:00. The Nittany Lions played a bend but don't break defense to keep the visitors from mustering any shots in the opening stanza while recording two of their own. Penn State's best chance to score in the first period came off a penalty corner with just 1:34 on the clock, but Lion shot from atop the circle went wide and the first period ended in a 0-0 tie.

Delaware continued to work into the high pace of the game to start the second period, quickly working the ball into the Penn State circle and picking up the team's first penalty corner of the game. Lizzie Gaebel's shot went wide and Penn State worked the ball right down field. Mackenzie Alessie (Mount Joy, Pa.) had a hard shot knocked away by Gaebel. Penn State goalie Brie Barraco (Allentown, Pa.) picked up a save just a few minutes later, swatting away a shot from Delaware's Kik Oudshorn. The Nittany Lions picked up the game's first goal off a penalty corner with 3:43 left in the half. Alessie took the corner, feeding Elena Vos (Grave, The Netherlands), who set up a hard shot from Anna Simon

(Hanau, Germany). Simon's shot found the back of the cage and Penn State took a 1-0 lead, which would hold into intermission. The Nittany Lions outshot Delaware 4-2 in the first half. Gaebel had two saves while Barraco had one for the Nittany Lions. Penn State held a slim 2-1 edge in penalty corners over the first 30:00.

With the pace of the game continuing at a high level, the Nittany Lions began to pull away from Delaware in the third period. Sophia Gladieux (Boyetown, Pa.) began to take control of the pace, working the middle of the field with senior middle Meghan Reese (Coopersburg, Pa.). With the Lion offense beginning to control time of possession, Gladieux took control of the ball in front of the Blue Hen cage and worked her way into an open shot, which she put past the Delaware goalie for an unassisted goal at the 8:35 mark to put Penn State up 2-0. Barraco kept Penn State out in front with a diving stick save midway through the period. The Lions would collect nine shots in the third period alone and led by two after three periods. The fourth quarter was much of the same. The Nittany Lion offense continued to control the ball. Jemma Punch (McDowall, Australia) and Emma Spisak (Boiling Springs, Pa.) each got off quick shots in the circle early in the fourth period that Gaebel stopped. But Spisak's led to a penalty stroke with 12:03 on the clock. Alessie took the stroke and deftly slid the ball into the lower left corner of the goal to put Penn State up 3-0. The Nittany Lion defense would then hold firm for the duration of the game. Barraco picked up a series of saves while Vos, Gery Schnarrs (Camp Hill, Pa.), Kelsey Love (State College, Pa.) and Sophia Mannino (Doylestown, Pa.) anchored the defense as Penn State held on for the shutout. Penn State outshot Delaware 21-11, including 17 second half shots. Barraco had six saves for the Nittany Lions, picking up her first shutout of the season. Gaebel had eight for the Blue Hens. Penn State had a 6-4 edge in penalty corners.

**GAME BREAKDOWN**

SCORING:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
PENN STATE	0	1	1	1	3
Delaware	0	0	0	0	0

STATS:	PSU	DEL	
Shots	21	11	
Corners	6	4	

**SCORING SUMMARY (goal/assist) – TIME**

- 2nd: PSU – Anna Simon (Elena Vos, Mackenzie Alessie); 3:43
- 3rd: PSU – Sophia Gladieux (unassisted); 8:35
- 4th: PSU – Alessie (penalty stroke); 12:03

GOALKEEPERS:	MIN	GA	S
PSU: Brie Barraco	60:00	0	6
DEL: Lizzie Gaebel	60:00	3	8