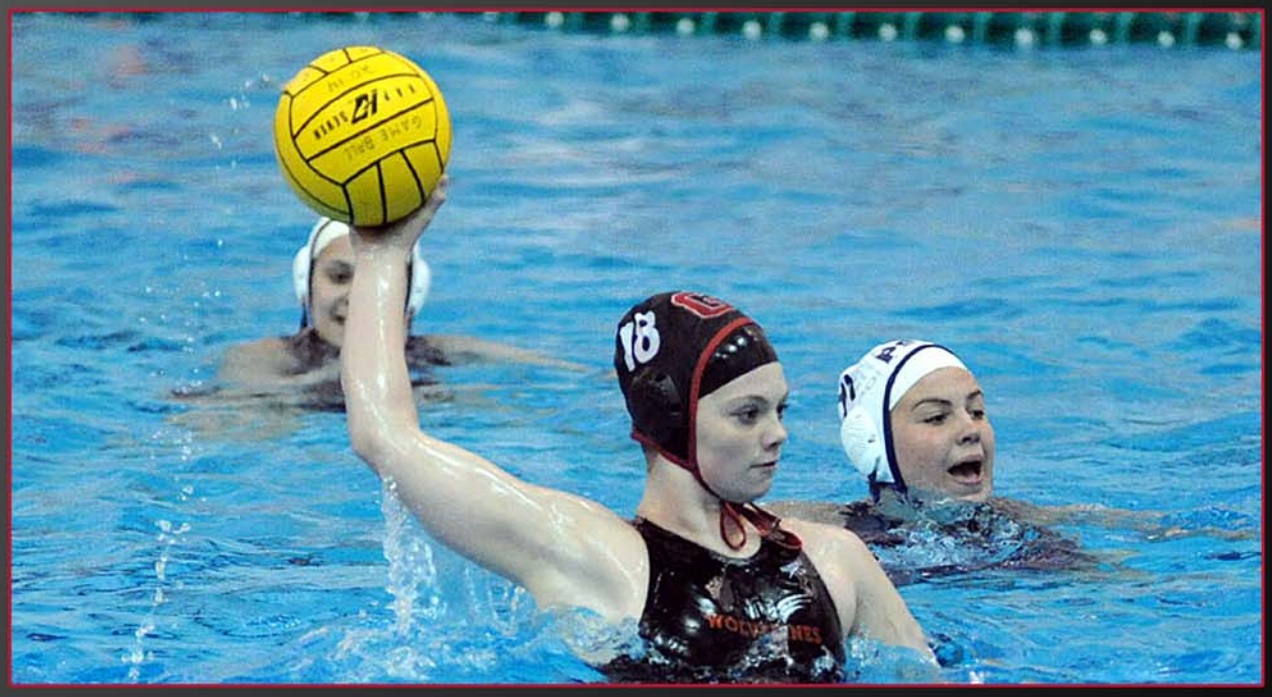
GROVE CITY COLLEGE WATER POLO



JOCELYN HINKLE -- 2014 FIRST TEAM ALL-CWPA DIVISION III

2015

Quick Facts

Institution _____ Grove City College
Location _____ Grove City, Pa.
Founded _____ 1876
Enrollment _____ 2,500
Colors _____ Crimson and White
Nickname _____ Wolverines
Affiliation _____ NCAA Division III
Conference _____ CWPA
Home Pool ____ James E. Longnecker
President _____ Paul McNulty, J.D.
Alma Mater _____ Grove City, 1967
Athletic Director _____ Dr. Don Lyle
Alma Mater _____ Muskingum, 1971
Interim Assistant A.D. ____ Todd Gibson
Alma Mater _____ Grove City, 2002
Compliance Coordinator _ Mike Dreves
Alma Mater _____ Grove City, 1997
Head Coach _____ Alyssa Birch
Alma Mater ___ California Baptist, 2013
Career Record _____ 0-0 (First Season)
At Grove City _____ 0-0
First Year of Program _____ 2000
All-Time Record _____ 177-245
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The 2015 Wolverines

Front row, left to right: Carolyn Ebel, Ashley Parks, Jocelyn Hinkle, Ashley Henderson and Sarah Gazica.
Back row, left to right: Kira Okray, Maggie Blume, Mary Frank, Abby Jank, Brynna Bartlett, Grace Klimek and head coach Alyssa Birch.

HEAD COACH ALYSSA BIRCH

A new era of Grove City College women's water polo begins in 2015 as Alyssa Birch takes over as the program's fifth all-time head coach.

Birch came to Grove City after spending the last five years at California Baptist University. She earned four letters as a member of the Cal Baptist women's water polo team from 2010 to 2014.

Birch helped CBU to a 97-50 aggregate record and recording 70 career goals and 110 career assists during her four seasons of play (2010-12, 2014).

She graduated summa cum laude from Cal Baptist in 2013 with a bachelor's degree in kinesiology and recently finished her master's degree in kinesiology at CBU.

A native of Calgary, Alberta, Birch worked as an assistant coach for the Alberta Water Polo Association's provincial team from June 2010 to August 2013.

She is also the assistant men's and women's swimming and diving coach at Grove City. In 2015, she helped the women's team capture the Presidents' Athletic Conference Championship at the James E. Longnecker Invitational. Birch also helped the men's squad produce five victories and a second place overall finish in the team standings.

Birch also serves as an instructor of physical education and exercise science at the College. She lives in Grove City.

2015 ROSTER

No.		Name	Pos.	Yr.	Hometown (High School)
1	*	Mary Frank	Goalie	So.	Centreville, Md. (Queen Anne's County)
2	*	Grace Klimek	Driver	So.	Oakdale, Pa. (South Fayette)
3		Maggie Blume	Utility	Fr.	Chicago, Ill. (Resurrection)
5	**	Kira Okray	Driver	Jr.	Bloomfield, Mich. (Detroit Country Day)
6		Sarah Gazica	Driver	Fr.	Pittsburgh, Pa. (North Hills)
7	**	Ashley Parks	Driver	Jr.	Westerville, Ohio (Thomas Worthington)
10		Brynna Bartlett	Driver	Fr.	Olive Branch, Miss. (St. George's)
12		Carolyn Ebel	Driver	Fr.	East McKeesport, Pa. (Oakland Catholic)
15	**	Ashley Henderson	Driver	Jr.	Lansing, Mich. (Lansing Christian)
17	*	Abby Jank	Driver	So.	Worthington, Ohio (Thomas Worthington)
18	***	Jocelyn Hinkle	Utility	Sr.	Freeland, Pa. (Hazleton)

*-letters earned

Head Coach: Alyssa Birch

Team Captain: Jocelyn Hinkle

2015 SCHEDULE

March 6	WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON	7:30
March 7	PENN STATE BEHREND	11:00
March 7	at Washington & Jefferson	7:30
March 8	at Penn State Behrend	11:00
March 20-22	CWPA Division III Weekend at Monmouth, Ill.	
March 25	MERCYHURST	7:00
March 27-29	CWPA Division III Weekend at New London, Conn.	
April 10-11	CWPA DIVISION III CHAMPIONSHIPS AT GROVE CITY	

2015 Season Preview

Grove City Looking To Return To Top Of CWPA Division III

The Grove City College women's water polo team enters its 16th season of intercollegiate play this spring with its sights set on a return to the top of the CWPA's Division III conference. Grove City won the conference title each season from 2010 to 2012 and reached the conference finals in 2013.

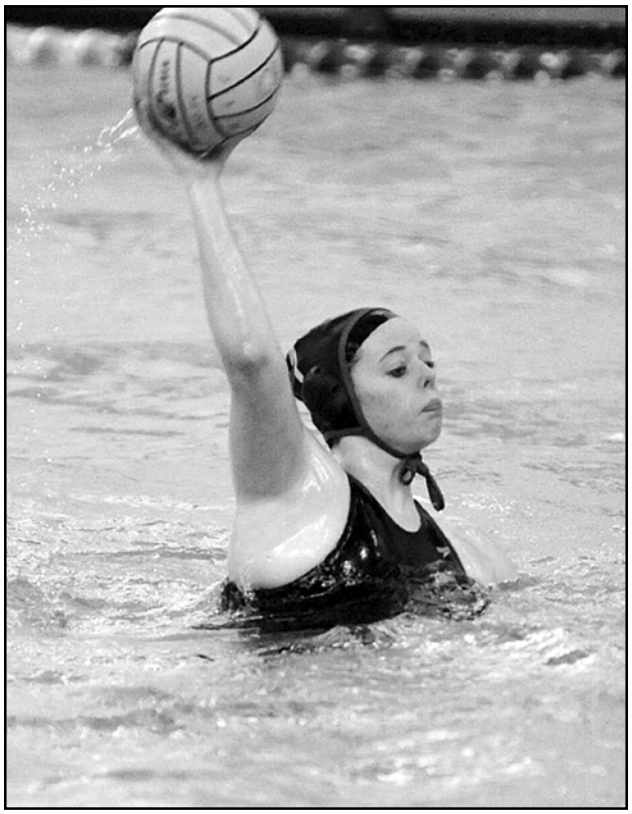
First-year head coach Alyssa Birch takes over as the program's fifth all-time head coach. Birch, a Calgary native and former standout at California Baptist University, will rely on a veteran nucleus to help lead the Wolverines in 2015.

Grove City returns just one senior for this season, three-year starter Jocelyn Hinkle. In 2014, Hinkle assembled one of the finest seasons in program and conference history by firing in 89 goals in 21 matches.

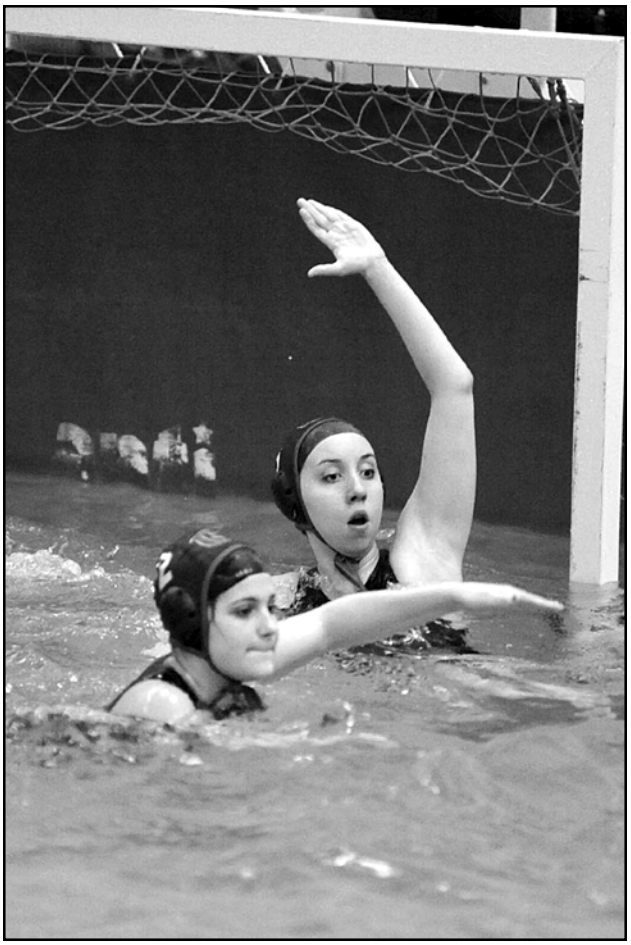
She also led the team with 22 assists, 96 steals and 18 blocks.

Three experienced juniors are also back in the fold this season for the Wolverines. Ashley Henderson and Ashley Parks have each started since 2013 while fellow junior Kira Okray owns two letters.

Henderson finished second on the team with 21 assists last year and also contributed 21 goals. Parks scored 42 goals and added 19 assists.



Junior Ashley Parks is a two-year starter for Grove City. She has 75 career goals and will be counted on at both ends of the pool in the 2015 season.



Grove City will rely on sophomore letterwinner Grace Klimek (left) and junior Ashley Henderson (right) this season. Henderson is a two-year starter.

Both will be expected to be key contributors at each end of the pool again this year.

Okray moved into the lineup on a regular basis last year and tallied 31 steals in 22 matches. She chipped in seven goals and will be counted on for further production this year.

A trio of sophomore letterwinners also returns for Grove City. Sophomore Abby Jank made an immediate impact during her rookie season by finished second on the team with 71 steals.

She also recorded 27 goals and led the team with 50 sprint wins during the 2014 season.

Sophomore driver Grace Klimek appeared in 12 matches and will compete for a full-time spot in the lineup this year.

In goal, sophomore Mary Frank started all 22 matches last year and will anchor the Wolverine defense again this year.

A number of newcomers are also expected to contribute this year for Grove City.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS

MARY FRANK

SOPHOMORE • GOALIE
CENTREVILLE, MD.
QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY

1

Returning starter in goal for Grove City ... Will again anchor Wolverine defense in 2015. **AS A FRESHMAN:** Started all 22 matches in goal, earning first letter ... Recorded 11 victories in goal ... Added 14 steals and two assists during season. **NOTABLE:** Exercise science major.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	Save	Goals	Pct.
2014	22	132	215	.380
Totals	**22**	**132**	**215**	**.380**

ASHLEY HENDERSON

JUNIOR • DRIVER
LANSING, MICH.
LANSING CHRISTIAN

15

Two-year starter for Grove City ... Will likely again be key contributor at both ends of the pool in 2015. **AS A SOPHOMORE:** Started all 22 matches, earning second letter ... Second on team in assists. **AS A FRESHMAN:** Started 21 matches ... Second among team's rookies in scoring and assists. **NOTABLE:** Entrepreneurship major ... Dean's List student ... Grove City "Scholar Athlete" honoree.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	G	A	S
2013	21	13	19	32
2014	22	21	21	42
Totals	**43**	**34**	**40**	**74**

JOCELYN HINKLE

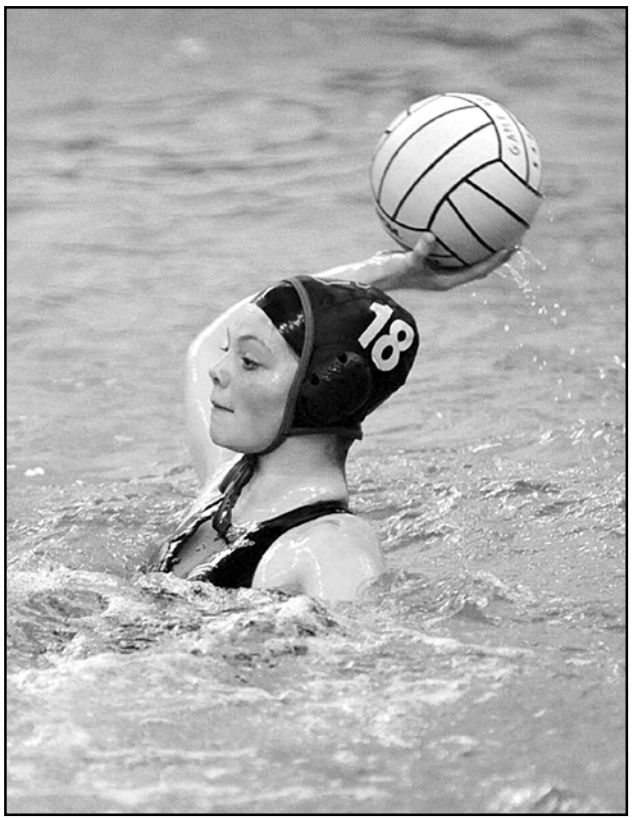
SENIOR • UTILITY
FREELAND, PA.
HAZLETON

18

Three-year starter for Grove City ... Grove City's active career leader in goals, assists and steals. **AS A JUNIOR:** Named First Team All-Collegiate Water Polo Association Division III ... Led team in goals, assists, steals and blocks ... Scored 89 goals, the second-highest total in program history. **AS A SOPHOMORE:** Started all 21 matches ... Led team with 61 steals and 76 points. **AS A FRESHMAN:** Played in 28 matches ... Set school record with 47 assists ... Helped Grove City capture CWPA Division III title. **NOTABLE:** Exercise science major ... Dean's List student.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	G	A	S
2012	28	38	47	56
2013	21	49	27	31
2014	21	89	22	96
Totals	**70**	**176**	**96**	**183**



Senior Jocelyn Hinkle earned First Team All-CWPA Division III following the 2014 season. She is Grove City's active career leader in goals, assists and steals.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS

ABBY JANK

SOPHOMORE • DRIVER
WESTERVILLE, OHIO
THOMAS WORTHINGTON

17

Returning starter for Grove City who will be one of team's top offensive threats this season. **AS A FRESHMAN:** Played in all 22 matches, earning first letter ... Earned Second Team All-Collegiate Water Polo Association Divsion III honors ... Ranked third on team in scoring and second in steals. **NOTABLE:** Elementary education major ... Dean's List honoree ... Two-year letterwinner as member of Grove City swimming and diving team ... Earned NCAA All-America honors in 800 free relay in 2014.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	G	A	S
2014	22	27	11	71
Totals	**22**	**27**	**11**	**71**

GRACE KLIMEK

SOPHOMORE • DRIVER
OAKDALE, PA.
SOUTH FAYETTE

2

Returning letterwinner who will compete for full-time starting spot in 2015. **AS A FRESHMAN:** Appeared in 12 matches as a rookie, earning first letter ... Emerged as one of Grove City's top reserves. **NOTABLE:** Mechanical engineering major ... Dean's List student ... Two-year letterwinner as diver at Grove City ... Qualified for NCAA Division III Regional Championships in 2015.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	G	A	S
2014	12	3	1	3
Totals	**12**	**4**	**1**	**3**

KIRA OKRAY

SOPHOMORE • DRIVER
BLOOMFIELD, MICH.
DETROIT COUNTRY DAY

5

Two-year letterwinner and returning starter for Grove City ... One of Grove City's most experienced returnees. **AS A SOPHOMORE:** Played in all 22 matches, earning second letter ... First season as full-time starter ... Fifth on team in assists and steals. **AS A FRESHMAN:** Played in 18 matches, earning first letter ... Helped Grove City to 11-1 conference record. **NOTABLE:** Mathematics major ... Dean's List student ... Earned Grove City "Scholar Athlete" award.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	G	A	S
2013	18	2	1	4
2014	22	7	11	31
Totals	**40**	**9**	**12**	**35**

ASHLEY PARKS

SOPHOMORE • DRIVER
WORTHINGTON, OHIO
THOMAS WORTHINGTON

7

Two-year starter and letterwinner ... Expected to be integral part of lineup at both ends of the pool. **AS A SOPHOMORE:** Earned second letter after playing in all 22 matches ... Second on team in goals ... Third on team in assists and steals. **AS A FRESHMAN:** Earned first letter after starting 21 matches ... Third on team in goals, assists and steals. **NOTABLE:** Elementary education major ... Dean's List student ... Grove City "Scholar Athlete" honoree.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	G	A	S
2013	21	33	23	50
2014	22	42	19	62
Totals	**43**	**75**	**42**	**112**

2014 IN REVIEW

The 15th season of intercollegiate women's water polo at Grove City College proved to be a year of transition for the Wolverines, who finished 11-11 overall and 8-5 in the Collegiate Water Polo Association's Division III conference.

The youthful Wolverines featured just one senior, Lauren Burrows. Burrows provided leadership and experience throughout the season and ranked fourth on the squad in both goals (23) and assists (16) in 2014.

Junior Jocelyn Hinkle emerged as one of Division III's top dual threats in 2014 as she fired a team-leading 89 goals while also leading the squad with 96 steals and 18 blocks.

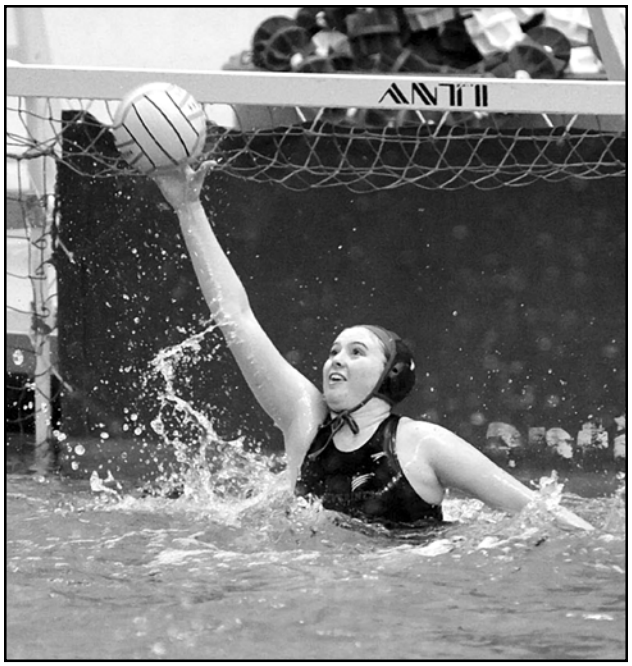
Hinkle earned First Team All-CWPA Division III following the season.

Freshman Abby Jank emerged during her rookie season and finished with 27 goals and 71 steals, which earned her a spot on the CWPA Division III Second Team.

After a slow start to the season that included setbacks against scholarship-level programs Mercyhurst, Notre Dame (Ohio) and Virginia Military Institute, Grove City rebounded to win four of its first five games in CWPA Division III action.

Grove City concluded the conference's regular season schedule by winning three of its final four matches, including a 9-2 win at longtime foe Penn State Behrend April 5.

The Wolverines entered the season-ending CWPA Division III Championships in St. Paul, Minn., as the No. 4 seed in the eight-team tournament.



Mary Frank earned 11 victories in goal for Grove City during the 2014 season, her first year as a starter.

2014 RESULTS

Date	Opponent	Result	Score	Record
March 1	PSU Behrend^	W	14-4	1-0
March 1	Notre Dame (O.)^	L	14-10	1-1
March 1	Mercyhurst^	L	15-8	1-2
March 2	Wash. & Jeff.^	L	12-8	1-3
March 2	at V.M.I.^	L	18-6	1-4
March 14	at Utica*	W	21-10	2-4
March 15	Macalester*	W	9-6	3-4
March 15	Carthage*	L	12-9	3-5
March 15	Monmouth*	W	10-7	4-5
March 20	PSU BEHREND*	W	13-12	5-5
March 28	at Wash. & Jeff.*	L	10-6	5-6
March 28	Utica*	W	10-6	6-6
March 28	Connecticut Coll.*	L	18-2	6-7
March 29	Macalester*	L	11-10	6-8
March 29	Carthage*	W	12-7	7-8
March 30	Monmouth*	W	8-2	8-8
April 5	WASH. & JEFF.*	L	9-3	8-9
April 5	at PSU Behrend*	W	9-2	9-9
April 8	GANNON	L	15-7	9-10
April 12	at Macalester$	L	11-8	9-11
April 12	Monmouth$	W	15-8	10-11
April 13	Utica$	W	13-4	11-11

*-CWPA Division III Match
$-CWPA Division III Championships at St. Paul, Minn.
^-Virginia Military Institute Invitational

2014 STATISTICS

Name	Goal	Asst	Pts	Steal	Blk
Jocelyn Hinkle	89	22	111	96	18
Ashley Parks	42	19	61	62	9
Abby Jank	27	11	38	71	4
Lauren Burrows	23	16	39	29	7
Ashley Henderson	21	21	42	42	3
Kira Okray	7	11	18	31	5
Grace Klimek	3	1	4	3	0
Megan Rowley	0	0	0	1	0
Molly Gallant	0	0	0	4	0
Totals					

	Shots	Save	Pct.	Steal	Asst
Mary Frank	347	132	.380	14	2
Totals	**347**	**132**	**.380**	**14**	**2**

For the second straight season, Grove City played a lower-seeded team in its home facility as No. 5 Macalester edged the Wolverines, 11-8.

Grove City rebounded to win its final two matches of the weekend, however.

The Wolverines earned a 15-8 victory over Monmouth in the final match of the first day of the two-day event.

The Wolverines then closed the season with a 13-4 victory over Utica in the fifth-place match of the tournament.

Record Book

INDIVIDUAL SINGLE-SEASON RECORDS

Goals Scored

90	Chelsea Johnson	2011
89	Jocelyn Hinkle	2014
85	Chelsea Johnson	2010
82	Chelsea Johnson	2012
73	Kate Stiebler	2010
61	Amanda Thompson	2010
55	Lauren Hulsebus	2013
55	Andrea Wilson	2012
53	Caitlin Ewing	2007
53	Kate Stiebler	2008

Assists

47	Jocelyn Hinkle	2012
43	Kristi Baur	2012
40	Andrea Wilson	2012
39	Amanda Thompson	2010
36	Kristi Baur	2013
35	Kristi Baur	2011
35	Amanda Thompson	2007
34	Kristen Kerchner	2007
34	Jessica Zedaker	2003
31	Kate Stiebler	2008

Steals

173	Jessica Zedaker	2003
106	Jessica Zedaker	2004
96	Jocelyn Hinkle	2014
95	Liza McRuer	2008
94	Liza McRuer	2009
90	Liza McRuer	2007
82	Jessica Zedaker	2001
72	Andrea Wilson	2011
71	Abby Jank	2014
64	Kate Stiebler	2008

Saves

450	Julie Zedaker	2003
407	Julie Zedaker	2004
380	Keala Walter	2007
323	Keala Walter	2006
320	Julie Zedaker	2002

INDIVIDUAL CAREER RECORDS

Goals Scored

293	Chelsea Johnson	2009-12
194	Kate Stiebler	2007-10
178	Amanda Thompson	2007-10
176	Jocelyn Hinkle	2012-
160	Caitlin Ewing	2004-07
145	Jessica Zedaker	2001-04
134	Liza McRuer	2006-09
108	Lauren Schade	2003-06
107	Tammy Hamsher	2001-03
101	Virginia Larsen	2004-07
101	Andrea Wilson	2009-12

Assists

102	Amanda Thompson	2007-10
99	Jessica Zedaker	2001-04
96	Jocelyn Hinkle	2012-
95	Kristi Baur	2011-13
89	Kate Stiebler	2007-10
77	Liza McRuer	2006-09
68	Lauren Baur	2008-11
61	Cecelia Larsen	2003-06
60	Andrea Wilson	2009-12
58	Julie Zedaker	2001-04

Steals

419	Jessica Zedaker	2001-04
341	Liza McRuer	2006-09
205	Kate Stiebler	2007-10
191	Amanda Thompson	2007-10
191	Chelsea Johnson	2009-12
183	Jocelyn Hinkle	2012-
168	Lauren Schade	2003-06
138	Tammy Hamsher	2001-03
134	Andrea Wilson	2009-12
127	Cecelia Larsen	2003-06

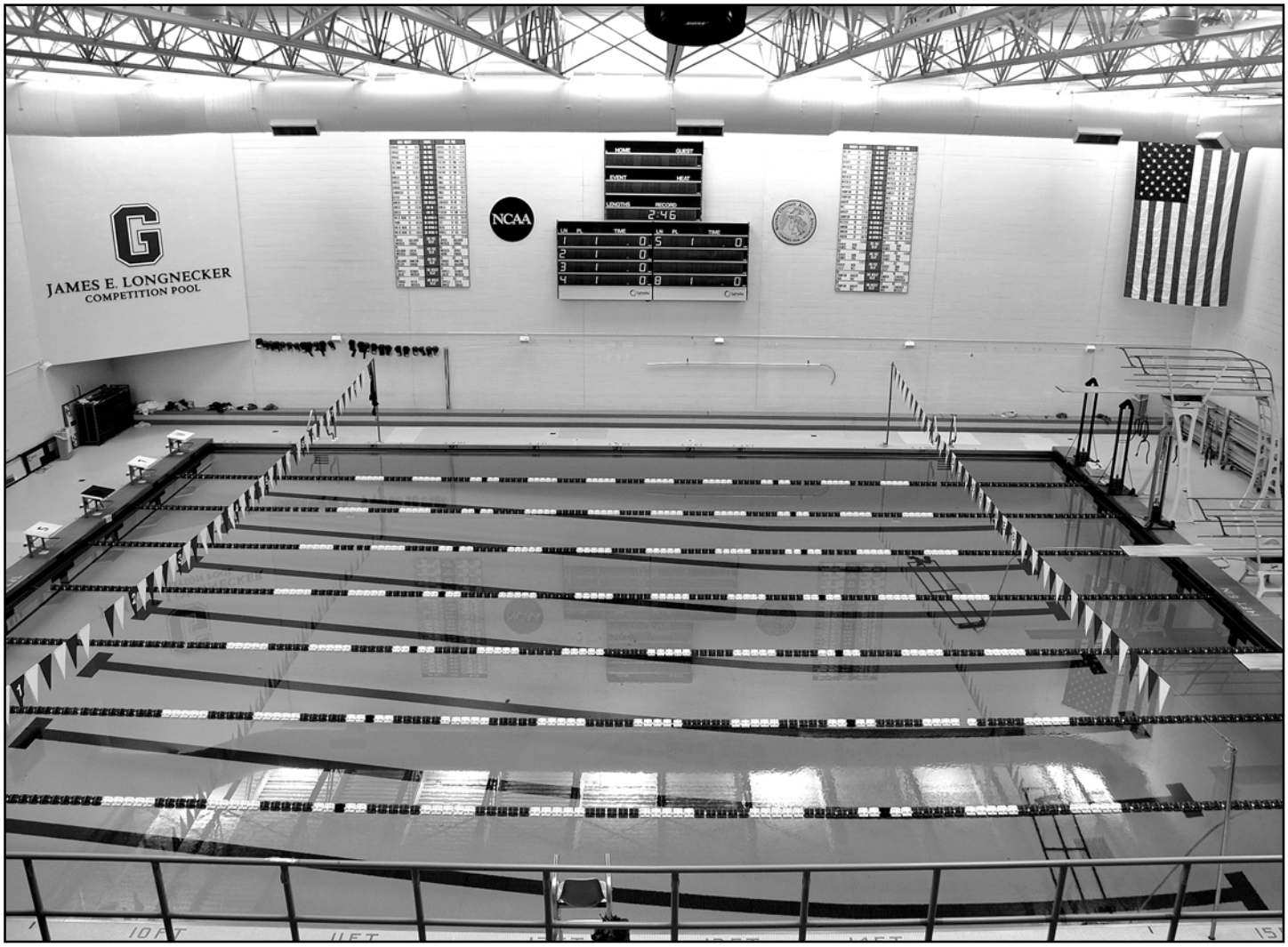
Saves

1441	Julie Zedaker	2001-04
1235	Keala Walter	2005-08
824	Amanda Johnston	2010-13
258	Adrienne Hill	2000-02
122	Kate Stiebler	2007-10

YEAR-BY-YEAR RECORDS

Year	W-L	Notes	Year	W-L	Notes
2000	0-18	Inaugural season	2008	13-12	5th at D-III Nationals
2001	8-24	7th at D-III nationals	2009	13-13	8th at D-III Nationals
2002	8-17	D. Fritz 1st year	2010	17-14	CWPA D-III Champions
2003	9-27	6th at D-III nationals	2011	17-12	CWPA D-III Champions
2004	17-22	1st 10+ win season	2012	18-8	CWPA D-III Champions
2005	7-15		2013	12-9	11-1 in CWPA Play
2006	9-20	8th at D-III Nationals	2014	11-11	8-5 in CWPA Play
2007	18-19	5th at D-III Nationals			

James E. Longnecker Pool



The James E. Longnecker Competition Pool is one of the nation's top small-college aquatic facilities. The 8-lane facility is regarded as one of the fastest pools in the region and is reserved solely for use by the College's swimming and diving and water polo athletes.

The Pool features two one-meter diving boards and one three-meter board as well as five Power Rack stations. An eight-lane electronic Colorado Timing System is integrated into the pool and scoreboard. The scoreboard features eight lines for results, three lines for event/heat and scoring and a scrolling line that shows lane-by-lane results.

The shallow end of the Pool is seven feet; thus the facility is able to host several Collegiate Water Polo Association events that are restricted from "shallow-deep" pools. Since 2000, Grove City College has hosted several CWPA championship events. Grove City will host the 2015 CWPA Division III Championships. The College also hosted the inaugural CWPA Division III Championships in 2012.

The James E. Longnecker Competition Pool is 25 yards in length and 56 feet wide. It holds 408,913 gallons of water. The seating capacity of the Pool area is approximately 400.

The Pool has been home to the Presidents' Athletic Conference Swimming and Diving Championships since 1990.

JAMES E. LONGNECKER COMPETITION POOL QUICK FACTS

Size: Eight Lanes, 25 yards long, 18.67 yards wide
Pool Capacity: 408,913 gallons
Opened: 1989
Dedicated: 2009
Seating: 400
Diving Boards: Two 1-meter boards, one 3-meter board

About the College

The beautifully landscaped campus of Grove City College stretches over 150 acres and includes 28 neo-Gothic buildings. It is considered one of the loveliest in the nation.

While the College has changed to meet the needs of the society it serves, its basic philosophy has remained unchanged since its founding in 1876. It is a Christian, liberal arts institution, dedicated to the principle of providing the highest quality education at the lowest possible cost.

Wishing to remain truly independent and to retain its distinctive qualities as a private school governed by private citizens (trustees), it is one of few colleges in the country that does not accept federal funds.

Affiliated with the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), but not narrowly denominational, the College believes that to be well-educated a student should be exposed to the central ideas of the Judeo-Christian tradition.

Grove City College offers undergraduate degrees in liberal arts, sciences, engineering, business, and music and is distinguished as a national leader in education.

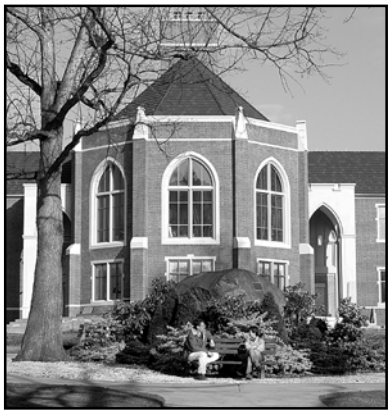
Grove City's programs in electrical and mechanical engineering are accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission Board of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology.

The "big business school curriculum" prepares students for today's global business reality. An extensive variety of internship opportunities are provided across the curriculum.

Grove City College wants its students to be prepared in this age of mobile information technology.

Each entering freshman receives a tablet computer which is his or hers to keep upon graduation with a four-year degree.

This is part of the Information Technology Initiative, a total program integrating technology across the curriculum.



Grove City College's Breen Student Union

The College believes that its student body has a unique mix of talents and abilities.

Its Career Services program helps students identify those key assets during the first year and then builds a four-year strategy to help them pursue a satisfying career.

Personal counseling, professional speakers, databases, alumni contacts, summer internships, corporate visits, employer presentations and more are incorporated into the career preparation experience.

Grove City follows the semester calendar plan, in addition to offering two-week sessions in January and May.

Most of the 2,500 students live in separate men's and women's dormitories. The rest are local commuters or married students.

A full program of cultural, professional, athletic and social activities is offered, including 19 intercollegiate varsity athletic teams.

Grove City, a town of 8,100 people, is located 60 miles north of Pittsburgh. It is located near Interstates 79 and 80 and has a municipal airport.

Grove City College 2014-2015

Tuition
$7,775 per semester
Room and Board
$4,236 per semester

Programs and Majors

ACCOUNTING
Acounting (B.S.)
BIBLICAL AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES
Biblical and Religious Studies (B.A.)
BIOLOGY
Biology (B.S.)
BUSINESS
Business Management (B.S.)
Finance (B.S.)
Industrial Management (B.S.)
International Business (B.S.)
Marketing Management (B.S.)
CHEMISTRY
Biochemistry (B.S.)
Chemistry (B.S.)
COMMUNICATION STUDIES
Communication Studies (B.A.)
COMPUTER SCIENCE
Computer Science (B.S.)
Computer Information Systems (B.S.)
ECONOMICS
Economics (B.A.)
Business/Economics (B.S.)
EDUCATION
Pre K-4 Elementary Education (B.S.)
Pre K-8 Special Education and Pre K-4 Elementary Education (B.S.)
Middle Level Math/English/Science Education (B.S.)
K-12 Biology/General Science Education (B.S.)
K-12 French Education (B.A.)
K-12 Music Education (B.M.)
K-12 Spanish Education (B.A.)
7-12 Biology/General Science Education (B.S.)
7-12 Chemistry Education (B.S.)
7-12 Chemistry/General Science Education (B.S.)
7-12 English Education (B.A.)
7-12 English/Communication Education (B.A.)
7-12 Mathematics Education (B.S.)
7-12 Physics Education (B.S.)
7-12 Physics/General Science Education (B.S.)
7-12 Social Studies Education (B.A.)
ELECTRICAL/COMPUTER ENGINEERING
Electrical/Computer Engineering (B.S.E.E.)
ENGLISH
English (B.A.)
ENTREPRENEURSHIP
Entrepreneurship (B.S.)
HISTORY
History (B.A.)
MATHEMATICS
Mathematics (B.S.)
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING
Mechanical Engineering (B.S.M.E.)
MODERN LANGUAGES
French (B.A.)
Spanish (B.A.)
MUSIC & FINE ARTS
Music (B.M.)
Music/Business (B.M.)
Music/Performing Arts (B.M.)
Music/Religion (B.M.)
PHILOSOPHY
Philosophy (B.A.)
PHYSICAL EDUCATION
Exercise Science (B.S.)
PHYSICS
Physics (B.S.)
Physics/Computer Hardware (B.S.)
Physics/Computer Software (B.S.)
POLITICAL SCIENCE
Political Science (B.A.)
PSYCHOLOGY
Psychology (B.A. or B.S.)
SOCIOLOGY
Sociology (B.A.)
PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS
Pre-Dental
Pre-Health
Pre-Law
Pre-Medical
Pre-Theology
Pre-Veterinary

ATHLETIC FACILITIES

All 19 of Grove City College's intercollegiate varsity athletic teams utilize the College's superior facilities for competition, practices and off-season training and conditioning.

Grove City's athletic facilities have undergone numerous renovations and improvements in recent years, with more upgrades scheduled in the immediate future.

On lower campus, Robert E. Thorn Field is home to the College's football and track and field teams. The College installed CSTurf at Robert E. Thorn Field. CSTurf is a synthetic playing surface that features polyethylene LSR grass fibers and a rubber infill system.

The College also installed lights and resurfaced the 8-lane track around the field. Grove City also reconfigured its setup for track meets during these renovations.

In 2011, the College installed a new state-of-the-art scoreboard and new bleachers on the visitors' side at Thorn Field.

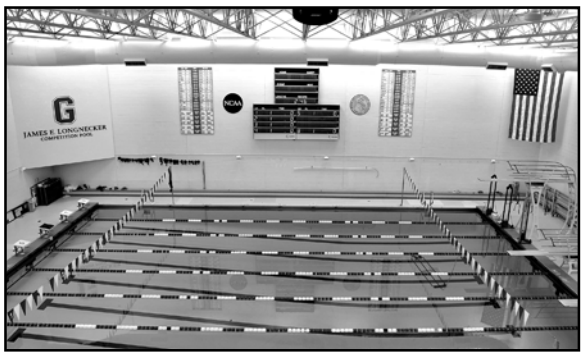
These upgrades benefit the entire campus community as the complex is used by both the College's club sports teams and its intramural program, along with the varsity teams.

The track is also available for use by recreational walkers and joggers. The complex also features 10 all-weather tennis courts next to the stadium.

Phillips Field House, located at the north end of the complex, features several locker rooms, an athletic training room, meeting rooms and coaches' offices. It is used by the football, track and tennis programs throughout the academic year.

The Physical Learning Center (PLC) houses the Grove City College Arena, home to the College's basketball and volleyball programs.

In summer 2012, the College renovated the Arena by installing new lighting and a new playing floor. In recent years, the Arena has also received new scoreboards and scorers' tables.



The James E. Longnecker Pool is one of the nation's premier small-college venues for both swimming and diving and water polo.

The home of Grove City's football and track and field teams, Robert E. Thorn Field has received numerous renovations in recent years.

In addition, the PLC features the James E. Longnecker Pool, one of the premier aquatic facilities in the region.

Each year, Grove City hosts the Presidents' Athletic Conference Swimming and Diving Championships at the state-of-the-art facility.

In 2012, the College also hosted the Collegiate Water Polo Association Division III Championships at the James E. Longnecker Pool.

The PLC also features a second pool, the Recreational Pool, which is used by members of the College community year-round.

A fitness room featuring aerobic and Cybex equipment and a separate weight room with free and mechanized weights are also keystone areas of the facility.

The PLC also features six racquetball/handball courts as well as two adjacent intramural rooms. The intramural rooms feature four basketball courts, four indoor tennis courts, four volleyball courts, an indoor track and two indoor jumping pits.

The College installed new synthetic flooring and several new electronic scoreboards throughout the intramural rooms.

The Physical Learning Center houses the athletic training room, locker rooms and offices for coaches and physical education faculty.

The College recently constructed a new office suite for coaches and athletic administration, while also incorporating its Athletic Hall of Fame area.

Grove City's outdoor athletic facilities have also received numerous upgrades in recent years.

The varsity soccer field, College Field, was expanded and re-sodded during the summer of 2005. College Field also received a new press box during the summer of 2007.

Meanwhile, Grove City's baseball and softball facilities recently received major facelifts as new dugouts, new fencing and electronic scoreboards were installed on both fields.

2015 SCHEDULE

March 6	WASH. & JEFF.*	7:30
March 7	PENN ST. BEHREND*	11:00
March 7	at Wash. & Jeff.*	7:30
March 8	at Penn State Behrend*	11:00
March 20	Macalester*	2:20
March 20	Utica*	6:20
March 21	Carthage*	1:00
March 21	at Monmouth (Ill.)*	7:40
March 22	Connecticut College*	11:40
March 25	MERCYHURST	7:00
March 27	Utica*	12:45
March 27	Connecticut College*	5:45
March 28	Carthage*	12:45
March 28	Macalester*	4:30
March 29	Monmouth (Ill.)*	2:00
April 10-11	CWPA DIVISION III CHAMPIONSHIPS	

*Collegiate Water Polo Association Division III Game

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