

Kim Newbern

Lady Blues Head Coach



Kim Newbern begins her fifth season at the helm of the Lady Blues softball program after a 38-20 season last year and a first-place tie in the MIAA.

The 1999 season brought new highs to the Lady Blues program as a member of the NCAA after Newbern coached the Lady Blues' to their first ever NCAA

Newbern at Washburn

1997 . . 27-21 (.563)

1998 . . 27-14 (.659)

1999 . . 41-24 (.651)

2000 . . 38-20 (.655)

Four-Year

Record

133-79 (.627)

Regional appearance. In four seasons as the Lady Blues' head coach, Newbern has compiled a 133-77 record.

Last season's squad was ranked as high as 18th in the National Fast-pitch Coaches Association Poll.

Newbern came to Washburn after serving as the assistant softball coach at the University of Kansas in 1996. Newbern, a 1994 graduate of the University of Kansas, was the assistant coach at Oklahoma State University before to her appointment with the KU program.

While serving as the restricted earnings coach at Oklahoma State, Newbern helped the Cowgirls to a 36-16 record, a Big Eight Conference title with a 13-3 mark and a NCAA Regional berth.

Newbern played softball collegiately at Kansas and at Hutchinson

Community College. While at HCC, she was named to the NJCAA All-America team and was a two-time National Softball Coaches Association All-America selection.

At KU, Newbern was a two-year starter at third base for the Jayhawks and helped Kansas to a 68-35-1 record. She was second on the team in hitting as a senior and was in the top ten in the Big Eight for the 37-20 Jayhawks.

Newbern was an academic all-Big Eight selection in 1994 and a 1993 Phillips 66 Classroom Champion. Newbern has used her dedication in the classroom to motivate her student-athletes as well. The 1999 Lady Blues finished the academic year with an overall GPA of 3.22, which was the second-best team cumulate GPA in the athletic department.

The Wichita native is an active member of the National Softball Coaches Association and a member of the association's awards committee.



Newbern vs all opponents

vs the MIAA

Central Missouri	5-6
Emporia State	7-4
Missouri-Rolla	7-0
Missouri Southern	5-5
Missouri Western	7-5
Northwest Missouri	8-4
Pittsburg State	10-4
Southwest Baptist	8-0
Truman State	7-6

Record vs the MIAA 64-34

vs Kansas Schools

Baker	4-0
Bethany	4-0
Fort Hays State	4-4
Kansas	0-1
Newman	2-0
Wichita State	1-1

Record vs Kansas Schools 15-6

vs all other four-year schools

Abilene Christian	0-1
Adelphi	1-0
Arkansas-Monticello	0-1
Augustana (S.D.)	0-3
Buena Vista	0-1
Cameron (Okla.)	1-0
Central Arkansas	3-0
Central (Iowa)	2-1
Coe College	0-1
Colorado College	1-0
Columbia (Mo.)	1-0
Delta State	1-0
East Stroudsburg	3-0
Eastern New Mexico	3-0

Erskine	2-0
Eureka	1-0
Florida Southern	1-0
Florida Tech	0-1
Georgia College	1-0
Incarnate Word	0-1
Lanburth	0-1
Lincoln (Mo.)	3-0
Lipscomb	1-0
Minnesota-Duluth	2-0
Minnesota-Mankato	2-0
Mississippi College	1-0
Missouri-Kansas City	1-1
Morningside	0-1
Nebraska-Kearney	2-7
Nebraska-Omaha	0-7
North Dakota State	0-3
Northern Colorado	3-0
Oklahoma City	0-1
Oklahoma Panhandle	1-0
Olivet Nazarene	0-2
Park University	1-0
Rollins College	1-0
South Connecticut State	0-1
South Dakota	3-2
South Dakota State	1-0
Southern Colorado	2-0
Southwest State (Minn.)	1-0
St. Thomas Aquinas (N.Y.)	1-0
Tarleton State	0-1
Vanguard	1-0
Wayne State (Mich.)	1-0
Wayne State (Neb.)	2-0
West Florida	1-1
Western New Mexico	1-1

Record vs other opponents 54-39

Newbern at Washburn Year By Year

Year	Record	MIAA Finish	Postseason
1997	27-21 (.563)	4th	MIAA-Third
1998	27-14 (.659)	4th	MIAA-Third
1999	41-24 (.651)	2nd	NCAA-Regionals, 4th
2000	38-20 (.655)	T-1st	MIAA-Second

Four-Year Record

133-79 (.627)

Liz Bainter

Lady Blues Assistant Coach



Former Lady Blues' catcher Liz Bainter begins her fourth season as an assistant coach for Washburn. She works primarily in the area of practice

planning, game preparation and with the outfielders and catchers.

Bainter played one season for the Lady Blues in 1997. She batted .255 with 15 RBI while starting all 48 games behind the plate for the Lady Blues.

Before playing at Washburn, Bainter was a member of the Southern Conference championship team at UT-Chattanooga.

At Butler County as a sophomore, she was named first team all-Jayhawk Conference and was a second team selection as a freshman.

A native of Salina, Bainter was a three-time all-city selection at Salina South High School. She majored in nursing at Washburn and graduated in December of 1998. Bainter also works at Stormont-Vail hospital as a registered nurse.

Washburn Coaching Records

Washburn Coaches

Jan Nuzman	.....(1970-71)
Connie Floyd	.....(1972-74)
Dennis McCool	.....(1975)
Dennis Bean	.....(1976)
Bob Chipman	.....(1977)
Jessie Furrer	.....(1978)
Patty Dick	.....(1979-82)
Linda Moley	.....(1983-87)
Kelly Osburn	.....(1987-94)
Kevin Blaskowski	.....(1995-96)
John Punzo	.....(1996)
Kim Newbern	.....(1997-pr.)

By Victories

1. Osburn	.....200
2. Moley	.....157
3. Newbern	.....133
4. Dick	.....40

Coaching Record By Percentage

1. Moley	.....157-71(.689)
2. Newbern	.....133-79 (.627)
3. Osburn	.....200-131-1 (.604)
4. Floyd	.....10-8 (.556)
(Minimum two seasons coached)	

