Since his graduation from Bates College in 1989, Paul Dill’s involvement in volleyball has spanned both sexes, nearly all age groups, and two continents. With the women’s team at MIT, he has built what has become one of the premier Division III volleyball programs in New England.

Dill has worked with the MIT volleyball program since 1992. He served as an assistant coach for three years for both the MIT men’s and women’s varsity programs. Named head women’s coach in 1996, Dill has guided the Engineers to 10 NCAA post-season bids, two ECAC Championships and two NEWMAC titles. Entering his 23rd season, Dill is currently ranked 17th out of over 400 active Division III coaches in the nation in overall winning percentage (.760), averaging 27 wins and single-digit losses per season during his career. He has never collected fewer than 20 wins in a season and has six 30-win seasons under his belt, lifting his career record to 594-188. A three-time AVCA Division III New England Region Coach of the Year, Dill has also been named the NEWVA Coach of the Year three times. He also collected NEWMAC Coach of the Year honors in 2002, 2016, and 2017.

Dill began duplicating this success with the MIT men’s team after being summoned to take over the reins of the program in 2004. In his 14 seasons at the helm, he led the Engineers to their first NCAA Tournament appearance in 2014 and left the program as the all-time winningest coach with a record of 328-132. Before coaching the MIT men’s squad, Dill directed the Emmanuel College men’s squad to a 12-8 record in its first season of varsity competition. He also co-coached the England Women’s Junior National Team for four years and was an assistant coach for a Division I National League women’s club team in the English Volleyball Association. Other experience includes coaching the University of Connecticut men’s volleyball club team while earning his MBA, serving as the manager of the Bates College women’s team as an undergraduate, and coaching the men’s open division of the Bay State Games.

Junior outside hitter Abby Bertics was named NEWMAC Athlete of the Year and Andie Maloney received Rookie of the Year honors. Head Coach Paul Dill was voted the NEWMAC Coach of the Year for the second straight season. The Engineers tied a program record with four All-Conference selections. Alli Davanzo joined Bertics and Maloney on the first team, while Lisette Telez was named to the second team. Clare Farley represented MIT on the NEWMAC All-Sportsmanship Team.

Abby Bertics was named to the American Volleyball Coaches Association All-America third team. In addition, Alli Davanzo and Andie Maloney collected honorable mention accolades.

For 17th time in program history, MIT had a player named to the CoSIDA Academic All-American Team, as Abby Bertics was voted to the first team.

Abby Bertics was also named the New England Women’s Volleyball Association’s Player of the Year, while Alli Davanzo and Andie Maloney were named to the NEWVA First and Second Teams, respectively.

MIT had six student-athletes named to the NEWMAC Academic All-Conference Team.
Women’s Volleyball Quick Facts

MIT
Location: Cambridge, Massachusetts
Founded: April 10, 1861
Enrollment: 4,503 (undergraduate)
Colors: Cardinal and Gray
Nickname: Engineers
Mascot: Beaver
President: L. Rafael Reif
Athletic Director: Julie Soriero

Team Information
Affiliation: NCAA III
Conf.: New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference
Venue: Rockwell Cage
2017 Record: 30-3
2017 NEWMAC Record: 10-0 (1st)

Head Coach
Head Coach: Paul Dill (Bates '89)
Record at MIT: 594-188 (22 yrs.)
Overall Record: same
Phone/(E-mail): (617) 253-7946/(mbrauer@mit.edu)

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2017 Program Honors
Abby Bertics ............. NEWMAC Academic All-Conference
NEWMAC All-Conference
NEWMAC All-Conference (1st Team)
NEWVA Player of the Year
NEWWA All-Region Team (1st Team)
AVCA New England All-Region Team
AVCA All-American (3rd Team)

Alli Davanzo ............ NEWMAC Academic All-Conference
NEWMAC All-Conference (1st Team)
NEWWA All-Region Team (1st Team)
AVCA New England All-Region Team
AVCA All-American (Honorable Mention)
NEWMAC All-Academic (1st Team)

Clare Farley ............. NEWMAC All-Sportsmanship Team
Madison Lee ............ NEWMAC Academic All-Conference
Christina Liao .......... NEWMAC Academic All-Conference
Andie Maloney .......... NEWMAC Rookie of the Year
NEWMAC All-Conference (1st Team)
NEWWA All-Rookie Team
NEWWA All-Region Team (2nd Team)
AVCA All-American (Honorable Mention)
AVCA New England Freshman of the Year
AVCA New England All-Region Team

Carly Silvernale ........ NEWMAC Academic All-Conference
NEWMAC Tournament Most Outstanding Player

Carly Staub ............. NEWMAC Academic All-Conference
Lisette Tellez .......... NEWMAC Academic All-Conference
NEWMAC All-Conference (2nd Team)

Paul Dill .................... NEWMAC Coach of the Year

All-Time Program Honors
All-Americans: 34
NCAA Tournament Appearances: 19
NCAA Championship Match Appearances: 2
All-Conference Distinctions: 75
Conference Player of the Year: 9
Conference Rookie of the Year: 5
Conference Coach of the Year: 4

CoSIDA Academic All-America Selections: 23
Academic All-America of Fame ... Jennifer Harris Troper ’90
Academic All-Conference Honors: 84
NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship: 1

The MIT Campus

MIT is located on 168 acres that extend more than a mile along the Cambridge side of the Charles River Basin across from downtown Boston. The central group of interconnecting buildings was designed to permit easy communication among schools and departments. To meet the changing needs of teaching and research, the Institute recently added a remarkable array of new facilities designed by distinguished architects. Included was an undergraduate residence; the Zesiger Sports and Fitness Center; the Stata Center for Computer, Information, and Intelligence Sciences and a Brain and Cognitive Sciences complex. Most recently completed were a graduate residence complex, a new cancer research facility, and a major field project for MIT's outdoor sports venues. Today MIT is a world-class educational institution. Teaching and research—with relevance to the practical world as a guiding principle—continue to be its primary purpose. MIT is independent, coeducational, and privately endowed. Its five schools and one college encompass numerous academic departments, divisions, and degree-granting programs, as well as interdisciplinary centers, laboratories, and programs whose work cuts across traditional departmental boundaries.

Institutional Facts

• According to U.S. News & World Report's annual ranking of universities, MIT is No. 7 in the overall rankings for national universities. MIT is ranked No. 1 overall in engineering and No. 2 in business; with aerospace, chemical, computer, electrical, materials and mechanical engineering programs all rated as tops in their fields.

• MIT’s overall graduate program in engineering is rated No. 1 in the nation in U.S. News & World Report’s annual rankings of graduate schools, with MIT’s Sloan School of Management rated fourth in the nation among MBA programs. Over 15 graduate and doctoral programs ranked No. 1 in their fields of study.

• Eighty-seven current and former members of the MIT community have won the Nobel Prize.

• More than one-third of the nation’s space flights have included MIT-educated astronauts.

Athletic Excellence

• MIT finished 11th in the Division III Learfield Sports Directors' Cup standings for 2016-17, which rank the nation's best overall athletics programs.

• MIT is the all-time Division III leader in producing CoSIDA Academic All-America honors (271) while the Engineers rank second across all NCAA divisions.

• MIT athletes have authored 42 individual national championships and have won 22 team championships.

• In 2016-17 MIT won 10 NEWMAC Championships, tops in the league, and saw 14 teams represented in NCAA Tournaments and Championship events. Margaret Guo ‘16 of swimming and diving was named the NCAA Woman of the Year, becoming the fourth Division III student-athlete to receive the award.

• MIT student-athletes have earned at least 70 All-America honors every season since 2009 and totaled 88 All-America accolades in 2016-17.

• 30 graduates have participated in the Olympic Games, winning three Gold, three Silver and four Bronze medals.