

## Clinic Coaching Staff

### Head Coach

#### Gretta Melsted 14<sup>th</sup> Year



Coach Melsted has been the head softball coach at Augustana since July of 2006 and is coming off another successful season. Melsted owns a career record of 609-312, including 467-210 in 13 seasons at Augustana. Melsted surpassed two career milestones during the 2019 season, picking up her 600th career win and her 500th win at Augustana. Melsted has guided the Vikings to nine NCAA Tournament appearances, including six straight trips from 2010 to 2015. The Vikings finished 61-11 in 2019 and 42-15 in 2018. She was named the 2009, 2010, & 2011 Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference Coach of the Year. In addition, the 2012 staff and the 2019 staff were named the NFCA Central Region Coaching staff of the year. After winning the National Championship in 2019, Coach Melsted and the coaching staff was named the NFCA Coaching Staff of the Year.

### Assistant Coach

#### Kelsey Thompson 2nd Year



Kelsey Thompson rejoins the Augustana Softball Coaching Staff after previously serving as an assistant coach from 2010-2013. During her previous tenure at Augustana, the Vikings amassed a record of 135-56, appeared in 3 NCAA tournaments including 2 super regional appearances in 2011 & 2012. In 2012, the Vikings earned a trip to the NCAA Division II Women's College World Series.

After her time at Augustana, Thompson led the University of Sioux Falls for 5 straight 30+ win seasons from 2013-2018. In her time at USF, Thompson and her staff produced 37 All-NSIC Academic All-Conference performers, 15 All-NSIC performers, 1 NFCA All-Region performer & 1 NFCA All-American. In 2019, Thompson and the coaching staff were named the NFCA Coaching Staff of the Year.

### Assistant Coach

#### Abby Chandler



Abby Chandler rejoins the Augustana Softball program after previously graduating from the program in 2017. During her time on the Augustana Softball team, she and the team had three regional appearances in 2014, 2015, and 2017 as well as two super regional appearances in 2014 and 2015. The team's record while Chandler was an athlete at Augustana was 174-61. Chandler rejoins the Augustana Softball team as a Graduate Assistant.

## Augustana Softball 2020

### February

Jan. 31– Feb 2 Arkansas Tech Tournament (Houston, TX)  
Feb 14– 15 Metropolitan State Tournament (Denver, CO)

### March

7-12 Spring Break Tournament (Florida)  
20-22 Missouri Western Tournament  
24 Wayne State (DH)  
28 St. Cloud State (DH)  
29 Minnesota Duluth (DH)

### April

1 Southwest Minnesota State (DH)  
4 Concordia St. Paul (DH)  
7 Minnesota Mankato (DH)  
7 Winona State (DH)  
10 Minot State (DH)  
11 University of Mary (DH)  
15 University of Sioux Falls (DH)  
18 Minnesota Moorhead (DH)  
19 Northern State (DH)  
22 Upper Iowa (DH)  
27 Bemidji State (DH)  
28 Minnesota Crookston (DH)

### May

April 30-May 2 NSIC Conference Tournament  
8-10 NCAA Regional Tournament  
15-17 NCAA Super Regional Tournament  
21-25 NCAA Championship

\*All home games are in bold. Please check [www.goaugie.com](http://www.goaugie.com) for specific game times.

# AUGUSTANA SOFTBALL PITCHING ACADEMY 2020



## 2020 Augustana Pitching Academy

- This clinic will focus on improving mechanics as well as increasing fundamentals and speed.
- Instruction will include but is not limited to the following: video, radar, mechanics, and taking care of their body.
- Use of video analysis to improve mechanics to maximize pitching speed potential
- Drills focusing on increasing strength and speed.
- Instruction on how to continually improve throughout the course of the year.
- This clinic will focus on increasing the movement and deceptiveness of the drop, rise, curve and change up.
- Through advanced instruction and video analysis, each participant will utilize the skills and techniques that the Augustana pitching staff employs throughout the season.

**All Clinics will feature high speed video analysis to improve mechanics and deceptiveness of pitches.**

## 2020 Pitching Academy Dates

### All Grades Session (3rd-12th)

Monday Feb 10, 2020 5:30-6:30pm  
Monday Feb 17, 2020 5:30-6:30pm  
Monday Feb 24, 2020 5:30-6:30pm  
Monday Mar 2, 2020 5:30-6:30pm

\*\*\*Pitchers will be paired with instructors based on age and skill level.

**Pitching Academy Cost: \$100 per session**  
T-shirt included with cost of academy

### Clinic News

-Registration for all clinics will take place in the half hour preceding each first session

**-Athletes must bring their own glove and catcher**

-1:3 or 1:4 coach to player ratio. No more than 12 participants per session. **Register Early!**

**-All clinic dates will be at the Hall Baseball/Softball Complex** located at the of 37th St. and Lake Avenue.

### Registration Form

Please register online at [www.augiesoftballcamps.com](http://www.augiesoftballcamps.com) or send this form and your check to:

Augustana Softball Clinics  
2001 S. Summit Ave.  
Sioux Falls, SD 57197

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

**Register early**, numbers are limited in order to provide adequate instruction and participation to all attendees. Participants will be registered in the order in which their registration forms are received.

**No refunds will be given after the day of the clinic except for the case of inclement weather. Submit all such requests in writing.**

I hereby release Augustana University, its employees, and Board of Trustees from all claims on account of any injury which may be sustained by my child as a result of participation in the Augustana Softball Clinics. Furthermore, I certify that within the past year my child has had a physical examination and that she is physically able to participate in softball activities. In the event illness or injury, I hereby give consent for medical treatment and permission to the attending physician apply all proper care that is necessary.  
Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Emergency Contact #: \_\_\_\_\_