

Cougars Women's Tennis Starts Road Trip With 6-1 Win

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HILTON HEAD, S.C. - SIUE women's tennis opened its 2023 spring break road trip to South Carolina with a victory Tuesday morning.

With a 7:30 a.m. CT start time, the Cougars defeated Saginaw Valley State 6-1 at the Chaplin Park Tennis Center.

"Picking up a win is a good start to the week," said SIUE Head Coach <u>Adam Albertsen</u>. "We were able to work all eight of our Cougars into the lineup and come away with the team victory."

SIUE, 9-2, began the morning with a doubles point win as <u>Jaiden McKee</u> and <u>Caitlyn</u> <u>Sporing</u> scored a 6-4 victory over Irene Latorre Barreiro and Alexis Anthes at No. 3 doubles.

The Cougars wasted little time wrapping up the match with five more singles wins. <u>Jordan Schifano</u> led the charge with a 6-0, 6-2 triumph over Amelia Dickson at No. 3 singles. <u>Amelia Gorman</u> gave SIUE a 3-0 lead with a 6-1, 6-1 win at No. 4 singles over Johanna Michelles.

<u>Melissa Vizcardo</u> scored the clinching point, a 6-4, 6-2 victory over Elizabeth Stuart at No. 6 singles. The Cougars also picked up singles wins from <u>Fabiola Perez</u>, a 6-4, 6-1 win over Calli Sokolowski at No. 5 singles, and <u>Margaux Guibal Britt</u> at No. 2 singles 6-2, 6-3.

SIUE next heads to Hilton Head High School for a noon CT matchup Wednesday against South Carolina State.

"Playing outdoors brings a different style of tennis out, and I think we learned a lot today," said Albertsen. "Tomorrow we play a team that is filled with high energy and defeated us a few years back. We are excited to get back out there for another test and see where we stack up."