



Player Candidates for 2020

Candidate Selection

The following is the list of PLAYER candidates eligible for nomination for induction into the National Soccer Hall of Fame for 2020. Players have met the eligibility criteria approved by the National Soccer Hall of Fame Board of Directors.

Eligibility Criteria for PLAYER Candidates

A player must have retired as a player for THREE (3) full calendar years, but no more than TEN (10) full calendar years. For 2020, the player must have retired no later than 2016 and no earlier than 2010. A player must also meet ONE (1) of the following to be eligible for nomination:

1. Player must have played at least TWENTY (20) full international games for the United States. *This TWENTY (20) game requirement is reduced to TEN (10) games if the games were prior to 1990.*
OR
2. Player must have played at least FIVE (5) seasons in a U.S. based, first-division, professional league AND have been a post season league All Star or Best XI selection at least once.
OR
3. Played at least five seasons in the Major Indoor Soccer League between the end of the NASL in 1984 and the end of the MISL in 1992 and been selected as a first-team postseason all-star in at least one of those seasons.

Players who meet eligibility criteria as outlined in points one (1), two (2) or three (3) above but who retired before 2010 now appear on the VETERAN PLAYER ballot.

Players who have been named on fewer than 5% of the returned ballots in an election will be dropped from the PLAYER ballot for future elections but will be added to the VETERAN PLAYER ballot once they have been retired for more than 10 years.

Definition of Terms

The table below outlines the definition of the terms and phrases used in the player biographies.

Term/ phrase	Definition for purpose of eligibility
American first-division professional league	Major League Soccer, Women's United Soccer Association, Women's Professional Soccer, National Women's Soccer League
MLS champion, WUSA champion, U.S. Open Cup champion	Denotes player played for the winning team in the championship game or series.



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U.S. National Team	Refers to the full senior National Team (Men or Women) ONLY. NOT to other any of the other national teams, fielded by the USSF such as age-group teams
Professional leagues	Used in reference to an American player's career in a foreign country, to indicate not all the player's career there was in the same league or division.
English Professional Soccer	The numbering of the divisions in English professional soccer has changed several times in recent years. On this list, the four divisions of English professional soccer are always referred to, in descending order, as the Premier League, second division, third division and fourth division.
Full calendar year	January 1 through December 31
Retirement	The year of the player's final official game, not the year when he/she announced retirement, which often do not coincide.
Last Played	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Players on this list are grouped by the year that they "last played." This refers to retirement from playing soccer in the United States at any professional or semipro level, including official non-league events such as the U.S. Open Cup and the Concacaf Champions League, or from professional or semi-pro soccer in a foreign country if the player is American. 5. If the player is not American, and has met the eligibility criteria through his or her play in United States professional leagues, he or she is considered to be retired for purposes of this list on departing from American professional soccer, unless he or she continues playing professional soccer in another country at a level ruled by the Hall of Fame's historians to be equivalent to or better than the top American leagues. 6. This level is defined for men as including the first division or national cup competition of any country that has ever qualified for the World Cup, the second division of any country that has ever won the World Cup, the first division or national cup competition of his native country and his national team. 7. It is defined for women as including the women's first division or women's national cup competition of any country that has ever reached the quarterfinals of the Women's World Cup, the women's first division or women's national cup competition of her native country and her national team.
Last year of eligibility	Refers to Players ability to be selected/inducted as a Player into the HOF. After eligibility expires via Players eligibility list, the player is moved to the Veterans Eligibility List.



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Citizenship	A player is designated American or foreign based on their “soccer citizenship” as recognized by FIFA rather than on their legal citizenship.
Played professionally “outside the United States”	Refers to playing in foreign leagues, not to playing on foreign soil as member of U.S. National Team MNT/WNT or American clubs. Also, does not refer to playing for Canadian or Caribbean teams in U.S.-based leagues.
Play in Foreign leagues and other non-US National Teams	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Foreign players’ (non-US citizens) – his/her game activities in other countries typically not cited in biographies. This because play by foreign players (non-US citizens) in foreign leagues and/or with other national teams has no bearing on their qualification for National Soccer Hall of Fame. Foreign play may sometimes be a factor in determining the players’ year of retirement.• Natural born and naturalized Citizens - Years of play in foreign professional leagues are cited here

Sources

Sources cited for determining eligibility and compiling biographies

- U.S. Soccer Federation Media Guides
- Major League Soccer Media Guide
- Websites and media guides published by the U.S. Soccer Federation
- Major League Soccer and various other leagues.



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Player biographies include information regarding, his/her achievements during professional, U.S. National Team play, highlights how candidates met the eligibility criteria and other information about his/her professional soccer careers. The statement of how he or she met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria appears in *bold italics* just after the statement of when they last played in various teams and leagues.

Players who last played in 2010 (last year of eligibility via this list is 2020)

Chris Klein - (Last played in the U.S. National Team in 2006; last played in MLS in 2010).

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his U.S. National Team caps.

A midfielder who played in the National Team and was a longtime star in MLS.

Klein played 22 full internationals for the United States, the first against Mexico in October 2000 and the last against Germany in March 2006. Those 22 caps included two World Cup qualifiers in 2000 and 2001.

He played 13 seasons in MLS between 1998 and 2010 for Kansas City, Real Salt Lake and Los Angeles, winning an MLS championship in 2000 with Kansas City. He also reached the MLS title game in 2009 with Los Angeles. During those 13 seasons, he played 333 MLS regular-season games and 20 MLS playoff games.

Eddie Lewis - (Last played professionally outside the United States in 2008; last played in the U.S. National Team in 2008; last played in MLS in 2010.)

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via both his U.S. National Team caps and his MLS seasons.

A midfielder who starred in MLS, the U.S. National Team and English leagues.

Lewis played 82 full internationals for the United States, the first against Peru in October 1996 and the last against Trinidad in September 2008. More than a quarter of those 82 games came in World Cup play, five in the 2002 and 2006 World Cups and 21 in World Cup qualifiers in 2000, 2001, 2004, 2005 and 2008. Perhaps Lewis' most famous moment in a U.S. uniform came in 2002, when his perfect cross from the left wing was headed into the net by Landon Donovan for the second goal of the United States' World Cup upset over Mexico. In addition to his World Cup play, Lewis was a member of the United States teams at the 1999 and 2003 Confederations Cups and the U.S. team that won the 2002 Concacaf Gold Cup.

Lewis played seven seasons in MLS between 1996 and 2010 for San Jose and Los Angeles, and was chosen to the MLS post-season Best XI in 1999. He played 163 MLS regular-season games and nine MLS playoff games.



Between 2000 and 2008, Lewis played nine seasons in English professional leagues, becoming a regular at several different clubs.

Kate Sobrero Markgraf - (Last played in the WUSA in 2003; last played professionally outside the United States in 2005; last played in the U.S. National Team in 2010; last played in WPS in 2010.)

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via her U.S. National Team caps.

A defender who was a regular in the U.S. team that won the 1999 Women's World Cup.

Markgraf played 201 full internationals for the United States between 1998 and 2010. Those included 16 games in the 1999, 2003 and 2007 World Cups, five World Cup qualifiers in 2002 and 2006, and 16 games in the 2000, 2004 and 2008 Olympic Games. In addition to the 1999 Women's World Cup final, Markgraf played in victorious efforts in the 2004 and 2008 Olympic finals. She started five of the United States six games at the 1999 World Cup, including playing every minute of the quarterfinal, semifinal and final victories.

Markgraf played three seasons in the WUSA, all of them for Boston, and one season in WPS, for Chicago. She also played one season in the Swedish first division. During her WUSA and WPS seasons she played a total of 76 regular-season games and one playoff game.

Clint Mathis - (Last played in the U.S. National Team in 2005; last played professionally outside the United States in 2008; last played in MLS in 2010.)

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via both his MLS seasons and his U.S. National Team caps.

A midfielder who played 12 seasons in MLS and played in the 2002 World Cup.

Mathis played in MLS from 1998 to 2010, for Los Angeles, New York, Salt Lake and Colorado. He was chosen to the MLS Best XI in 2000, won an MLS title in 2009 with Salt Lake and played in 258 MLS regular-season games and 29 MLS playoff games. He holds the MLS record for goals in a single game with five, for the MetroStars against Dallas in 2000.

Mathis played 46 full internationals for the United States between 1998 and 2005, including seven World Cup qualifiers in 2000, 2001 and 2004 and three World Cup games in 2002. The 12 goals that he scored in those 46 games included a crucial one against South Korea in the 2002 World Cup, when the United States reached the quarterfinals. He also played for the United States at the 2002 Concacaf Gold Cup and the 2003 Confederations Cup.

In addition to his MLS years, Mathis also played two seasons in the German first division and one season in the Greek first division.

Jaime Moreno - (Last played in MLS in 2010.)

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his MLS seasons.

A forward who starred in MLS for 15 years.



The Bolivian National Team star played the bulk of his pro soccer career in MLS, and all but one of his 15 MLS seasons were with D.C. United. He played 372 MLS games, which at the time he retired placed him third on the all-time list of games played in first-division United States leagues. He also was briefly MLS' all-time leading goal scorer, finishing his career with 145 goals in MLS regular-season and playoff games. Moreno won four MLS championships with D.C. United, in 1996, 1997, 1999 and 2004, and played in the title game in each of those seasons. He was named to the MLS Best XI five times, in 1997, 1999, 2004, 2005 and 2006, won the U.S. Open Cup with D.C. United in 1996 and 2008, and won the Concacaf Champions Cup with D.C. United in 1998.

Moreno had played for clubs in Bolivia, Colombia and England before signing with D.C. in 1996, when he was 22. He played 75 games for the Bolivian National Team between 1991 and 2008, including the 1994 World Cup, the 1997 Copa America and the 2007 Copa America.

Steve Ralston - (Last played in the U.S. National Team in 2007; last played in MLS in 2009; last played in the USSF second division in 2010.)

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via both his MLS seasons and his U.S. National Team caps.

A midfielder who was one of the leading stars in MLS throughout his long career.

In 2008, Ralston became the all-time leader in games played in United States first-division leagues, although he no longer holds that position. He retired from MLS the following year after having played 411 MLS games. Ralston played 14 seasons in MLS, six with Tampa Bay and eight with New England, was named to the MLS Best XI in 1999, 2000 and 2002 and retired as MLS' all-time assist leader. He won a U.S. Open Cup with New England in 2007 and was a member of all four New England teams that reached the MLS final. After retiring from MLS, he played one season in the USSF second division.

Ralston played 36 full internationals for the United States between 1997 and 2007, including eight World Cup qualifiers in 2004 and 2005. He was a member of the United States teams that won the Concacaf Gold Cup in 2005 and 2007.



Players who last played in 2011 (last year of eligibility via this list is 2021)

Gregg Berhalter - (Last played in the U.S. National Team in 2006; last played professionally outside the United States in 2009; last played in MLS in 2011.)

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his U.S. National Team caps.

A defender who played for the United States in two famous cup runs, at the 1999 Confederations Cup and the 2002 World Cup.

Berhalter played 44 full internationals for the United States between 1994 and 2006, including games against Mexico and Germany at the 2002 World Cup and games against Brazil, Mexico and Saudi Arabia at the 1999 Confederations Cup. It was Berhalter's header that was controversially kept out of the net by a German defender's arm in the 2002 World Cup quarterfinals. Berhalter's 44 caps also included 14 World Cup qualifiers in 2000, 2001 and 2004, and he was a member of the United States teams at the 2006 World Cup and the 2003 Confederations Cup.

Berhalter's three seasons in MLS, all with the Los Angeles Galaxy, came at the end of a club career that was spent mostly in Europe. Earlier, he had played seven seasons in Germany, six in Holland and one in England, mostly at the second-division level. He was team captain at both Energie Cottbus and Munich 1860, leading Cottbus to promotion in the 2005-06 season. He played 52 MLS regular-season games and five MLS playoff games.

Frankie Hejduk - (Last played professionally outside the United States in 2002; last played in the U.S. National Team in 2009; last played in MLS in 2011.)

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his U.S. National Team caps.

A defender who was a key man in the United States' run at the 2002 World Cup and had a long career in MLS.

Hejduk played 85 full internationals for the United States, the first against El Salvador in 1996 and the last against Denmark in 2009. He started four of the United States' five games at the 2002 World Cup, missing one game because of a yellow-card suspension. He also played in three games at the 1998 World Cup and 26 World Cup qualifiers in 1996, 2000, 2004, 2005, 2008 and 2009. In addition to those two World Cups, he was a member of the United States teams at the 1996 and 2000 Olympic Games and the 1999 and 2003 Confederations Cups. He was a regular in the United States teams that won the 2002 and 2005 Concacaf Gold Cups, playing in both finals.

Hejduk played 12 seasons in MLS between 1996 and 2011, for Tampa Bay, Columbus and Los Angeles, playing a total of 203 MLS regular-season games and 17 MLS playoff games. He was the captain of the Columbus team that won the MLS championship in 2008 and was a runner-



up in the U.S. Open Cup with Columbus in 2010. In between his two stretches in MLS, he played four seasons in the German first division and one season in the Swiss first division.

Players who last played in 2012 (last year of eligibility via this list is 2022)

Jeff Cunningham - (Last played in the U.S. National Team in 2010; last played in MLS in 2011; last played professionally outside the United States in 2012; last played in the NASL II in 2012). *Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his MLS seasons.*

A forward who was among the all-time leading goal scorers in Major League Soccer.

Cunningham played 14 seasons in MLS between 1998 and 2011 for Columbus, Salt Lake, Toronto and Dallas. When he retired, he held the MLS career record for regular-season goals, with 134. He also scored five playoff goals. He was chosen to the MLS postseason Best XI in 2002, 2006 and 2009, and was the league's leading scorer in the last two of those seasons. He won a U.S. Open Cup championship in 2002 with Columbus and was MLS runner-up in 2010 with Dallas. The Jamaican-born forward played 12 full internationals for the United States between 2001 and 2010, including two World Cup qualifiers in 2005, and was a member of the United States team at the 2003 Confederations Cup. After retiring from MLS, he played one season in the Guatemalan first division and one season in the NASL II.

Heather Mitts - (Last played in the WUSA in 2003; last played in the W-League in 2005; last played in WPS in 2011; last played in the U.S. National Team in 2012).

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via her U.S. National Team caps.

A defender who won three Olympic gold medals with the U.S. National Team.

Mitts played 137 full internationals for the United States, the first against Finland in 1999 and the last against China in 2012. Those included seven World Cup qualifiers in 2006 and 2010 and nine games at the 2004, 2008 and 2012 Olympic Games. Injuries kept her out of the World Cup early in her career, but she was a member of the United States squad at the 2011 Women's World Cup.

She played three seasons in the WUSA between 2001 and 2003, all for Philadelphia, and three seasons in WPS between 2009 and 2011, for Boston, Philadelphia and Atlanta. During her WUSA/WPS career, she played 94 regular-season games and five playoff games.



Aly Wagner - (Last played in the WUSA in 2003; last played professionally outside the United States in 2005; last played in the U.S. National Team in 2008; last played in WPS in 2009; last played in the WPSL in 2012).

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via her U.S. National Team caps.

A midfielder who played in two Women's World Cups and two Olympic Games for the United States.

Wagner played 131 full internationals for the United States, the first against Ukraine in 1998 and the last against South Korea in 2008. In between, she played seven World Cup qualifiers in 2002 and 2006, five World Cup games in 2003 and 2007, and five Olympic games in 2004 and 2008, winning Olympic gold medals in 2004 and 2008.

She played one WUSA season, 2003, with San Diego and one WPS season, 2009, with Los Angeles, plus one season in the French first division and two seasons in the WPSL. She was a WUSA second-team all-star in 2003 and a runner-up for the WPS title in 2009.

Josh Wolff - (Last played in the U.S. National Team in 2008; last played professionally outside the United States in 2008; last played in MLS in 2012).

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his U.S. National Team caps.

A forward who played in two World Cups and for 14 seasons in MLS.

Wolff played 52 full internationals for the United States between 1999 and 2008, including 10 World Cup qualifiers in 2000, 2001, 2004 and 2005, and three World Cup games in 2002 and 2006. He also was a member of the U.S. teams that won the Concacaf Gold Cup in 2002 and 2005 and reached the semifinals of the 2000 Olympic Games. Perhaps his two most famous moments in a U.S. team came against Mexico, a breakaway goal in a 2001 World Cup qualifier and the cross that produced a goal by Brian McBride at the 2002 World Cup.

He played in MLS from 1998 to 2012, for Chicago, Kansas City and D.C., winning an MLS championship in 1998 with Chicago and U.S. Open Cups in 1998 and 2000 with Chicago and 2004 with Kansas City. He also played two seasons in the German second division. He played 267 MLS regular-season games and 14 MLS playoff games.



Players who last played in 2013 (last year of eligibility via this list is 2023)

David Beckham - (Last played in MLS in 2012; last played outside the United States at the level required by the criteria for foreign players in 2013).

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his MLS seasons.

An English midfielder who brought great publicity, to American soccer during his time in MLS.

Beckham played six seasons in MLS, all of them for the Los Angeles Galaxy, and helped his team to MLS championships in the last two of those seasons, 2011 and 2012. He earlier had been a member of the Los Angeles team that lost in the MLS title game in 2009. He was chosen to the MLS postseason Best XI in 2011.

Beckham was one of the most famous players in the world when he signed with the Galaxy in 2007. His arrival in the league, and the publicity that came with it, was a factor in increasing MLS crowds. Prior to joining the Galaxy, he had won league championships with Manchester United in England and Real Madrid in Spain. In the one season he played after leaving the Galaxy, he won a league title with Paris St.-Germain in France. He played 98 MLS regular-season games and 17 MLS playoff games.

Steve Cherundolo - (Last played in the U.S. National Team in 2012; last played professionally outside the United States in 2013).

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his U.S. National Team caps.

A defender who was honored as one of the U.S. National Team's all-time greats and played his entire pro club career in Europe, all for the same club.

Cherundolo played 15 seasons in German professional leagues, all of them for Hannover 96, between 1999 and 2013. The last 12 of those seasons were in the first division, after he helped Hannover to gain promotion in the 2001-02 season. At the time of his retirement, he was the longest-serving player in the Bundesliga and was Hannover's all-time leader in Bundesliga appearances with 302. During his last four seasons with Hannover, he was the main captain of the team, a role that caused him to be nicknamed "The Mayor of Hannover" by American fans. Cherundolo, who was elected in 2013 as the right back on the U.S. men's National Team All-Time Best XI, played 87 full internationals for the United States between 1999 and 2012. Those included 26 World Cup qualifiers in 2001, 2004, 2005, 2008, 2009 and 2012, and seven World Cup games in 2006 and 2010. In addition to playing in the 2006 and 2010 World Cups, he also was a member of the United States squad at the 2002 World Cup.

Perhaps Cherundolo's greatest moment in a U.S. uniform came in the United States' game against Slovenia in the 2010 World Cup, when his long through pass down the right-side sprung Landon Donovan loose to score a key goal. Usually, however, he was a stay-at-home defender, who scored only two goals in his 87 games for the United States and only seven in his



15 years with Hannover. His value to the USMNT may have been displayed most sharply at the 2011 Concacaf Gold Cup final against Mexico, when the U.S. lost, 4-2, after having led by 2-0 when Cherundolo had to be replaced because of an injury.

Brian Ching - (Last played in the A-League in 2002; last played in the U.S. National Team in 2010; last played in MLS in 2013).

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via both his U.S. National Team caps and his MLS seasons.

A forward who scored 90 goals in MLS and 11 for the U.S. National Team.

Ching played 12 MLS seasons between 2001 and 2013 for Los Angeles, San Jose and Houston, winning an MLS title in 2006 with Houston and being chosen to the MLS postseason Best XI in 2004. His MLS goals included 82 in regular-season play and eight in the playoffs.

He played 45 full internationals for the United States between 2003 and 2010, including 17 World Cup qualifiers in 2004, 2005, 2008 and 2009, and was a member of the United States team at the 2006 World Cup. His achievements for the United States also included winning a Concacaf Gold Cup championship in 2007.

Ching also played one season in the A-League and was a runner-up for the MLS title in 2011 and 2012 with Houston. He played 229 MLS regular-season games and 26 MLS playoff games.

Kevin Hartman - (Last played in the U.S. National Team in 2006; last played in MLS in 2012; last played in the MLS Reserve Division in 2013).

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his MLS seasons.

A goalkeeper who was one of the leading stars of MLS for more than a decade and retired as the all-time leader in first-division appearances in American soccer.

Hartman played 16 seasons in MLS between 1997 and 2012 for Los Angeles, Kansas City and Dallas, appearing in a total of 465 MLS games, 416 in the regular season and 49 in the playoffs.

At the time that he retired, only one active player was within 100 appearances of Hartman's total. Hartman won a string of championships during his seasons with the L.A. Galaxy, the MLS title in 2002 and 2005, the U.S. Open Cup in 2001 and 2005 and the Concacaf Champions Cup in 2001. In all, he played in the MLS final five times, being on the losing side with Los Angeles in 1999 and 2001 and with Dallas in 2010. He also won individual honors, being named to the MLS postseason Best XI in 1999 and the MLS Goalkeeper of the Year in 1999 and 2010. He played five full internationals for the United States between 1999 and 2006.



Pablo Mastroeni - (Last played in the U.S. National Team in 2007; last played in MLS in 2013). *Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via both his U.S. National Team caps and his MLS seasons.*

A midfielder who played an important role in the United States' run at the 2002 World Cup.

Mastroeni was a surprise starter at that World Cup but ended up playing three of the United States' five games as it reached the quarterfinals, and then played two more games at the 2006 World Cup. He played 65 full internationals for the United States between 2001 and 2009, including 15 World Cup qualifiers in 2004, 2005, 2008 and 2009, and five World Cup games in 2002 and 2006. In addition to his World Cup play, he was a member of the U.S. teams that won the Concacaf Gold Cup title in 2002 and 2007, and the U.S. team at the 2003 Confederations Cup.

He played 16 seasons in MLS between 1998 and 2013 for Miami, Colorado and Los Angeles. He was chosen to the MLS postseason Best XI in 2001 and won an MLS championship in 2010 with Colorado. During his MLS career, he played 334 regular-season games and 27 playoff games.

Players who last played in 2014 (last year of eligibility via this list is 2024)

Carlos Bocanegra - (Last played in the U.S. National Team in 2012; last played professionally outside the United States in 2013; last played in MLS in 2014).

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via both his U.S. National Team caps and his MLS seasons.

A defender who was captain of the United States in the World Cup and starred for clubs in both the United States and Europe.

Bocanegra played 110 full internationals for the United States between 2001 and 2012, including six games at the 2006 and 2010 World Cups. He was the regular captain of the U.S. men's National Team from 2007 to 2012, including the team that reached the second round of the 2010 World Cup, the team that reached the final of the 2009 Confederations Cup and the team that won the 2007 Concacaf Gold Cup. His National Team record also included 31 World Cup qualifiers between 2004 and 2012. In 2013, he was chosen by the USSF to the U.S. men's National Team All-Time Best XI.

Bocanegra played six seasons in MLS between 2000 and 2014, the first four of those with the Chicago Fire and the last two with Chivas. He was runner-up for the MLS championship twice with Chicago, the first time in 2000, a season when he was the MLS Rookie of the Year, and 2003, a season when he was the MLS Defender of the Year for the second time. In 2002 and 2003, the two seasons when he was the MLS Defender of the Year, he also was chosen to the MLS Best XI, and he won a U.S. Open Cup title in the second of those seasons.



In between his two MLS stints, he played five seasons in the English Premier League, three seasons in the French first division, one season in the Scottish Premier League and one season in the Spanish second division.

Thierry Henry - (Last played in MLS in 2014).

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his MLS seasons.

A forward who was named to the Best XI three times in his five-year MLS career.

Henry, who had been a star in the French National Team and the English Premier League for more than a decade, played in MLS from 2010 to 2014, joining the New York Red Bulls in their first season in their new stadium in New Jersey and playing five seasons with them. Henry was chosen to the MLS postseason Best XI in 2011, 2012 and 2014.

During his MLS career, Henry played 122 regular-season games and 13 playoff games and scored 52 goals in those games.

Stuart Holden - (Last played in MLS in 2009; last played in the U.S. National Team in 2013; last played professionally outside the United States in 2014).

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his U.S. National Team caps.

A midfielder who won two MLS titles before his career was slowed by injuries.

Holden, who was born in Scotland and grew up in Texas, played four seasons in MLS with the Houston Dynamo, winning MLS titles with them in 2006 and 2007, and being selected to the MLS Best XI in 2009. After that season, he moved to Bolton Wanderers in England. He played four seasons with Bolton, but injuries kept him from becoming fully established there.

Holden played 25 full internationals for the United States, including six World Cup qualifiers in 2009 and 2013, and 10 games at the 2009 and 2013 Concacaf Gold Cups. He appeared in one game at the 2010 World Cup, although by then he had suffered the first of that string of injuries, a broken leg resulting from a bad tackle in a National Team friendly.

Eddie Johnson - (Last played professionally outside the United States in 2011; last played in MLS in 2014; last played in the U.S. National Team in 2014).

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his U.S. National Team caps.

A forward who enjoyed two successful stints in MLS sandwiched around a period in Europe.

Johnson played 63 full internationals for the United States between 2004 and 2014. Those included two games at the 2006 World Cup and 20 World Cup qualifiers over the years. He was a starter in the team that won the Concacaf Gold Cup final in 2013.

Johnson's MLS career began with seven seasons with Dallas and Kansas City between 2001 and 2007. He then played five seasons in English and Greek professional leagues before returning to MLS in 2012 and playing three seasons with Seattle and D.C. In his 10 MLS seasons, he played 202 regular-season games and 14 playoff games and scored 74 goals.



Lori Lindsey - (Last played in the WUSA in 2003; last played in the W-League in 2008; last played in WPS in 2011; last played in the WPSL in 2012; last played in the U.S. National Team in 2013; last played in the NWSL in 2014; last played professionally outside the United States in 2014).

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via both her U.S. National Team caps and her WUSA/WPS/NWSL seasons.

A midfielder who was a member of the United States team at the 2011 Women's World Cup.

Lindsey played in leading United States leagues for more than a decade, including two seasons in the WUSA for San Diego and Washington, three seasons in WPS for Washington and Philadelphia, and two seasons in the NWSL for Washington. She was chosen as a WPS postseason all-star in 2010. In addition to her years in those leagues, she played seven seasons in the W-League, one season in the Women's Premier Soccer League and two seasons in the Australian first division. During her seven American first-division seasons, she played 133 regular-season games and four playoff games.

Lindsey played 31 full internationals for the United States between 2005 and 2013, including three World Cup qualifiers in 2010 and one game at the 2011 Women's World Cup.

Players who last played in 2015 (first year of eligibility is 2019, last year of eligibility via this list 2025)

Shannon Boxx - (Last played in the W-League in 1999; last played professionally outside the United States in 2000; last played in the WUSA in 2003; last played in the WPSL in 2005; last played in WPS in 2011; last played in the NWSL in 2015; last played in the U.S. National Team in 2015).

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via both her U.S. National Team caps and her WUSA/WPS/NWSL seasons.

A midfielder who played nine seasons in American first-division pro leagues and won a series of honors with the U.S. National Team.

Boxx' career in the U.S. National Team, which spanned 195 games between 2003 and 2015, included three Olympic championships and one World Cup triumph. Boxx played for the United States in four Women's World Cups, including the United States' winning effort in 2015 and its runner-up finish in 2011. She played a total of 16 games in those four World Cups and scored three goals, two in 2003 and one in 2007. She played all six of the United States' games at the 2004 Olympics, all six of the United States' games at the 2008 Olympics and two of the United States' games (including the final) at the 2012 Olympics. She was named to the post-tournament all-star teams of both the 2003 and 2011 Women's World Cups.

Boxx was one of only three women who played in all three seasons of the Women's United Soccer Association, all three seasons of Women's Professional Soccer and the first three



seasons of the National Women's Soccer League. Her three seasons in the WUSA were with San Diego and New York. Her three seasons in WPS were with Los Angeles, St. Louis, Gold Pride and magicJack. Her three NWSL seasons all were with Chicago. She was chosen as a WUSA all-star in 2003, when she was with the New York Power and a WPS all-star in 2009, when she was with the Los Angeles Sol. She won a WPS championship in 2010 with Gold Pride. In those nine seasons, she played 122 regular-season games and four playoff games. In addition to her seasons in the top United States leagues, she also played one season in the German first division, one season in the W-League and two seasons in the Women's Premier Soccer League.

Lori Chalupny - (Last played in WPS in 2011; last played in the WPSL in 2012; last played professionally outside the United States in 2012; last played in the U.S. National Team in 2015; last played in the NWSL in 2015).

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via both her WPS and NWSL seasons and her U.S. National Team caps.

A defender who won World Cup and Olympic championships with the U.S. National Team.

Chalupny played 106 full internationals for the United States between 2001 and 2015, including seven games at the 2007 and 2015 Women's World Cups and five games at the 2008 Olympic Games. Although she was not a frequent goal scorer over the years, with 10 goals in her national-team games, several of those came in key situations in both the World Cup and Olympic Games. At the 2007 Women's World Cup, where she scored two goals, she played every minute of all six United States games. She reached the 100-plus caps level despite having missed four seasons of national-team play due to concussions.

Chalupny played all three seasons of WPS, with St. Louis and Atlanta, and the first three seasons of the NWSL, with Chicago. She was chosen to the WPS postseason all-star team in 2009 and the NWSL postseason Best XI in 2013. In those six first-division seasons, she played 108 regular-season games and two playoff games. She also played one season in the WPSL and one season in the Swedish first division.

Kenny Cooper - (Last played professionally outside the United States in 2010; last played in the U.S. National Team in 2010; last played in MLS in 2015).

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his MLS seasons.

A forward who had careers in both MLS and Europe.

Cooper played nine seasons in MLS between 2006 and 2015, with Dallas, Portland, New York Red Bulls, Seattle and Montreal, and was named to the MLS postseason Best XI in 2009, when he was with Dallas. In those MLS seasons, he played 211 regular-season games and seven playoff games and scored 75 goals. He twice scored 18 goals in an MLS season. He was a runner-up in



the U.S. Open Cup in 2007, and also played four seasons in English professional leagues and one season in the German second division.

Cooper played 10 full internationals for the United States between 2007 and 2009, including two World Cup qualifiers.

Lauren Cheney Holiday - (Last played in WPS in 2011; last played in the NWSL in 2015; last played in the U.S. National Team in 2015).

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via both her U.S. National Team caps and her WPS/NWSL seasons.

A midfielder who starred in the U.S. team that won the 2015 Women's World Cup, and who also won significant honors in club play.

Holiday played for the United States in the 2011 and 2015 Women's World Cups and the 2008 and 2012 Olympic Games, winning three of those four. In the course of her 133-game career in the U.S. women's national team, she played 12 World Cup games in 2011 and 2015, including the final in both of those years, and nine Olympic games in 2008 and 2012, including the final in both of those years. The 24 goals that she scored for the United States over the years included the third goal of the American triumph over Japan in the 2015 Women's World Cup final. She was chosen to the post-tournament all-star team of the 2011 Women's World Cup.

Holiday played two seasons in WPS, both for Boston, and three seasons in the NWSL, all for Kansas City, winning two NWSL championships with Kansas City, in 2014 (when she was captain of that team) and 2015. In 2013, she was the NWSL's leading scorer and most valuable player. She was named to the NWSL's post-season all-star team in both 2013 and 2014 and was the USSF women's athlete of the year in 2014.

Amy LePeilbet - (Last played in the W-League in 2008; last played in WPS in 2011; last played in the U.S. National Team in 2012; last played in the NWSL in 2015).

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via both her U.S. National Team caps and her WPS/NWSL seasons.

A defender who starred in the U.S. National Team and won a string of honors in first-division leagues.

LePeilbet played 84 full internationals for the United States between 2004 and 2012, including six at the 2011 Women's World Cup and five at the 2012 Olympic Games. She played in the final in both of those tournaments, winning an Olympic gold medal in 2012.

During her five-year career in first-division club soccer, which included three seasons in WPS and two seasons in the NWSL, she was selected as a first-team all-star three times. She was an WPS all-star in 2009 and 2010 and was named to the NWSL Best XI in 2015. She won NWSL championships in both 2014 and 2015 with Kansas City. All three of her WPS seasons were with the Boston Breakers.

During her five WPS/NWSL seasons, she played 82 regular-season games and six playoff games. She also played six seasons in the W-League.



Cat Reddick Whitehill - (Last played in the W-League in 2005; last played in the U.S. National Team in 2010; last played in WPS in 2011; last played in the WPSL in 2012; last played in the NWSL in 2015).

Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via her U.S. National Team caps.

A defender who played for the United States in two World Cups and one Olympic Games.

Whitehill played in five of the United States' six games (including the final) in its gold-medal-winning effort at the 2004 Olympics. She also played in all six of the United States' games at both the 2003 Women's World Cup and the 2007 Women's World Cup. Those 17 games, and seven World Cup qualifiers, were among 134 full internationals that Whitehill played for the United States. Her first full international was against Italy in 2000 and her last against Mexico in 2010. She scored 11 goals in those games, including two against North Korea in the 2003 Women's World Cup.

Whitehill played three seasons in WPS, for Atlanta and Washington, and three seasons in the NWSL, all for Boston. During those six seasons, she played 106 regular-season games and two playoff games.

Players who last played in 2016 (first year of eligibility is 2020, last year of eligibility via this list is 2026)

Nat Borchers - (Last played in the USISL in 2000; last played professionally outside the United States in 2008; last played in the U.S. national team in 2010; last played in MLS in 2016). *Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his MLS seasons.* A defender who won MLS championships with two different teams.

Borchers played 12 seasons in MLS between 2003 and 2016, with Colorado, Real Salt Lake and Portland, and was named to the MLS Best XI in 2010. He starred in the RSL team that won the MLS title in 2009 and the Portland Timbers team that won it in 2015. He also was a member of the RSL teams that were runner-up for MLS title in 2013 and for the CONCACAF Champions League title in 2011. In addition to his MLS career, he played one season in the USISL and two seasons in the Norwegian first division. He played 340 MLS regular-season games and 29 MLS playoff games.

Borchers played three full internationals for the United States, in 2005 and 2010.

Jen Buczkowski - (Last played in the W-League in 2008; last played in WPS in 2011; last played in the WPSL in 2012; last played in the NWSL in 2016). *Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via her WPS/NWSL seasons.* A midfielder who won three league championships in her seven seasons in the WPS and NWSL.



At the time of her retirement, Buczkowski had started every one of her team's games since the NWSL's start four seasons before. She played three seasons in WPS, for Sky Blue and Philadelphia, and four seasons in the NWSL, all with Kansas City, and was an WPS postseason all-star once, in 2011. She reached the championship game in those leagues a total of five times in those seven seasons, winning a WPS title in 2009 with New Jersey, and NWSL titles in 2014 and 2015 with Kansas City. She also was WPS runner-up in 2010 and 2011 with Philadelphia. Buczkowski, who also played five seasons in the W-League and one season in the WPSL, played a total of 128 regular-season games and 13 playoff games during her WPS and NWSL seasons.

Conor Casey - (Last played professionally outside the United States in 2006; last played in the U.S. national team in 2010; last played in MLS in 2016). *Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his MLS seasons.* A forward who had a long pro career in MLS and Europe and played a key role for the United States in World Cup qualifying.

Casey played 19 full internationals for the United States between in 2004 and 2010. He never played in the World Cup, but he scored two goals in the 3-2 win over Honduras in 2009 that clinched the United States' qualification for the 2010 World Cup. He is one of two players in U.S. soccer history to have scored the winning goal of the game that clinched the United States' place in the World Cup but then was not picked for the U.S. squad at that World Cup. He was a member of the United States team at the 2000 Olympic Games in Australia.

Casey played 10 seasons in MLS, with Toronto, Colorado, Philadelphia and Columbus. He was named to the MLS Best XI in 2009 and won an MLS championship in 2010 with Colorado. With Philadelphia, he was a runner-up for the U.S. Open Cup title in 2014 and 2015. Before he began his MLS career in 2007, Casey played six seasons in German professional leagues.

Brad Davis - (Last played in the U.S. national team in 2014; last played in MLS in 2016). *Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his MLS seasons.* A midfielder who was one of the dominant playmakers in MLS throughout his career.

Davis played 15 seasons in MLS between 2002 and 2016 for the MetroStars, Dallas, San Jose, Houston and Kansas City, playing 10 of those seasons for the Houston Dynamo. He won MLS championships in 2006 and 2007 with Houston, was named to the MLS Best XI in 2011, and when he retired was third on the all-time MLS assists list. During his MLS career, he played 392 regular-season games and 27 playoff games. In those 419 games, which placed him fourth on the all-time MLS appearances list, he scored 60 goals (many on free kicks with his deadly left foot) and had 132 assists, leading MLS in assists in 2009 and 2011. He was a runner-up for the MLS championship in 2012.

Davis played 17 games in the U.S. national team between 2005 and 2014. He was a member of the U.S. team at the 2014 World Cup, playing one game, appeared in four World Cup qualifiers in 2013 and played on the U.S. team that won the CONCACAF Gold Cup in 2005.



Whitney Engen - (Last played in WPS in 2011; last played in the W-League in 2012; last played professionally outside the United States in 2013; last played in the U.S. national team in 2016; last played in the NWSL in 2016). *Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via both her U.S. national team caps and her WPS/NWSL seasons.* A defender who was a member of the United States team that won the Women's World Cup in 2015 and starred in first division leagues in the United States and Europe.

Engen played two seasons in WPS and three seasons in the NWSL. In 2011, when she led the Western New York Flash to the WPS championship, she was named the WPS defender of the year and was chosen to the WPS postseason all-star team. In addition to her WPS and NWSL seasons, she played two seasons in the W-League, one season in the Swedish first division and two seasons in the English first division. She was among the stars of the Liverpool team that won the English women's first-division title in 2013.

Engen played 40 full internationals for the United States between 2011 and 2016, including two World Cup qualifiers in 2014 and two games at the 2016 Olympics.

Herculez Gomez - (Last played in the USL in 2003; last played in the MISL in 2004; last played in the U.S. national team in 2013; last played professionally outside the United States in 2015; last played in MLS in 2016). *Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his U.S. national team caps.* A forward who came up through the ranks of American and Mexican soccer to a long pro career in both countries.

After several seasons in the USL and the Mexican second division, Gomez reached the first-division level in 2003 with the Los Angeles Galaxy, with whom he won both an MLS title and a U.S. Open Cup title in 2005 (he won another MLS title 11 years later with the Seattle Sounders). He played eight seasons in MLS, with Los Angeles, Colorado, Kansas City, Toronto and Seattle, and six seasons in the Mexican first division. During his MLS years, he played 152 regular-season games and eight playoff games and scored 25 goals. During his Mexican seasons, he played 151 games, tied for the first division goalscoring lead in 2010 when he was with Pachuca and won a league championship in 2012 with Santos Laguna.

Gomez played 24 full internationals for the United States, including three games at the 2010 World Cup and eight World Cup qualifiers in 2012 and 2013.

Clarence Goodson - (Last played professionally outside the United States in 2013; last played in the U.S. national team in 2014; last played in MLS in 2016). *Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his U.S. national team caps.* A defender who was a frequent performer in the U.S. national team for a number of years.

Goodson played 46 full internationals for the United States between 2008 and 2014, including being a member of the United States team at the 2010 World Cup. He played eight World Cup qualifiers for the United States in 2008, 2012 and 2013, and was a member of the United States



teams at the CONCACAF Gold Cup in 2009, 2011 and 2013, playing in the final in each of those years.

Goodson played eight seasons in MLS, for Dallas and San Jose. In between his two stints in MLS, he played three seasons in Norwegian professional leagues and three seasons in the Danish first division. During his MLS seasons, he played 123 regular-season games and five playoff games.

Mike Magee - (Last played in MLS in 2016). *Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his MLS seasons.* A forward who played 14 seasons in MLS and won a league MVP title.

Magee broke into MLS in 2003 with the MetroStars when he was only 18 years old. Over the following 14 seasons, he played for the MetroStars/New York Red Bulls, the Los Angeles Galaxy and the Chicago Fire, winning league championship with the Galaxy in 2011 and 2012. In both of those years, he played all 90 minutes of the championship game. He also was with the Galaxy when it lost the MLS final in 2009, and with the MetroStars when they were runner-up for the U.S. Open Cup in 2003.

Magee was the MLS most valuable player in 2013, a year when he was traded in mid-season from the Galaxy to the Chicago Fire. In that season, he played 32 games and scored 21 goals, finishing second in the league in scoring. Over the course of his MLS career, he played 316 regular-season games and 22 playoff games, scoring 78 goals in those games.

Justin Mapp - (Last played in the U.S. national team in 2007; last played in MLS in 2016). *Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his MLS seasons.* A midfielder who played 15 seasons in Major League Soccer.

Mapp played in MLS from 2002 to 2016, including one season with D.C., seven with Chicago, two with Philadelphia, four with Montreal and one with Kansas City. He was named to the MLS Best XI in 2006, when he was in the midst of his stint with the Chicago Fire. That same year, he won a U.S. Open Cup title with the Fire. During his MLS seasons, he played 309 regular-season games and 15 playoff games.

Mapp played eight full internationals for the United States between 2005 and 2007 and was a member of the United States team at the 2007 Copa America tournament.

Jamison Olave - (Last played in MLS in 2016). *Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his MLS seasons.* A defender who twice was selected to the MLS Best XI.

Olave, who was from Colombia, played nine seasons in MLS between 2008 and 2016, most of them for Real Salt Lake but also including two seasons with the New York Red Bulls. He was one of the stars of the RSL team that won the MLS championship in 2009, and he then was named MLS defender of the year in the 2010 season and chosen to the MLS Best XI in 2010



and 2011. During his nine MLS seasons, Olave played 216 regular-season games and 19 playoff games and scored 17 goals.

Robbie Rogers - (Last played in the PDL in 2005; last played in the U.S. national team in 2011; last played professionally outside the United States in 2012; last played in MLS in 2016). *Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his MLS seasons.* A midfielder who won two league titles during his MLS career.

Rogers played nine seasons in MLS, with the Columbus Crew from 2007 to 2011 and the Los Angeles Galaxy from 2013 to 2016. In between those two MLS stints, he played parts of two seasons in English professional leagues. Rogers was named to the MLS Best XI in 2008 and won MLS championships with Columbus in 2008 and Los Angeles in 2014. He also was a runner-up for the U.S. Open Cup in 2010 with Columbus. During his MLS seasons, he played 184 regular-season games and 20 playoff games.

Rogers played 18 full internationals for the United States between his first against Sweden in 2009 and his last against Slovenia in 2011, including five games at the 2011 CONCACAF Gold Cup.

Carlos Ruiz - (Last played in MLS in 2016). *Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via his MLS seasons.* A forward who was a goalscoring star in MLS.

Ruiz, who was from Guatemala, played 10 seasons in MLS between 2002 and 2016, for Los Angeles, Dallas, Toronto, Philadelphia and D.C. The best of those seasons was 2002, when he was named the MLS most valuable player, scored the winning goal in overtime for Los Angeles in the MLS final and led MLS in scoring with 24 goals in the regular season (plus eight more in the playoffs). During his MLS years, he played 183 regular-season games and 19 playoff games and scored 105 goals.

Ruiz played for Guatemala from 2000 to 2016 and scored numerous key goals for it, including several against the United States.

Kelly Smith - (Last played in the WUSA in 2003; last played in WPS in 2011; last played outside the United States at the level required by the criteria for foreign players in 2016). *Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via her WUSA/WPS seasons.* An English forward who starred for years in American first-division soccer.

Smith played each of the three seasons of the WUSA, all for Philadelphia, and each of the three seasons of WPS, all for Boston. She was chosen as a WPS all-star in both 2009 and 2010. During those six seasons, she played 72 regular-season games and three playoff games and scored 28 goals.



Smith, who played in two World Cups for England and was capped 117 times, returned to England after her American years and, despite a string of injuries, played for three more years in the national team and five more years in the first division before retiring.

Hope Solo - (Last played in the WUSA in 2003; last played professionally outside the United States in 2005; last played in WPS in 2011; last played in the W-League in 2012; last played in the U.S. national team in 2016; last played in the NWSL in 2016). *Has met the Hall of Fame eligibility criteria via her U.S. national team caps.* A goalkeeper who starred in the U.S. women's national team for more than a decade, winning two Olympic gold medals and a Women's World Cup championship.

Solo played 202 full internationals for the United States between 2000 and 2016. Those included 17 games at the Women's World Cup in 2007, 2011 and 2015, 16 games at the Olympics in 2008, 2012 and 2016, and six World Cup qualifiers in 2006 and 2014. She played every minute of all seven United States games during its victory at the 2015 Women's World Cup, and also played for the United States in the 2007- and 2011-Women's World Cups, reaching the final in 2011. She played every minute of all 12 United States games in its victories at the 2008 and 2012 Olympic Games, and also played in the 2016 Olympics. She was the winner of the Golden Glove awarded by FIFA to the outstanding goalkeeper of the tournament at both the 2011- and 2015-Women's World Cups and was named the USSF women's athlete of the year in 2009. Solo played one season, 2003, in the Women's United Soccer Association, for Philadelphia; three seasons, 2009 through 2011, in Women's Professional Soccer, for St. Louis, Atlanta and Magicjack, and four seasons in the National Women's Soccer League, 2013 through 2016, all for Seattle. She was a runner-up for the NWSL title in 2014 and 2015 with Seattle. During her WUSA, WPS and NWSL seasons, she played 101 regular-season games and five playoff games. In addition to her United States first-division seasons, Solo also played one season in the Swedish first division, one season in the French first division and one season in the W-League.