

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Simon Colyn



Simon Colyn was signed to the Whitecaps first-team in April 2018, becoming then the 15th youngest player in league history to sign an MLS contract as he was just 16 years old at the time of signing. He is also the third-youngest to make a first-team appearance for the 'Caps since the club's inception in 1974. While working on completing high school this year, Simon took some time this holiday season to look back on his days back when he player at Surrey United SC before his career in soccer took this giant step forward. Colyn made his first-team debut in the 2018 MLS season finale against Portland

Timbers, coming on for the departing and fellow WFC Academy product Alphonso Davies, has played for Team Canada and was recently sent by the Whitecaps on a 10-day training stint with Dutch Eredivisie side PSV Eindhoven in November 2019.

How did your time at Surrey United contribute to your successes so far?

Surrey United SC provided me with a platform to develop my soccer skills as well as grow my passion for the game at a young age. I was privileged to be coached by many great coaches who both taught and challenged me to be the best player I could be. During my time at Surrey United I was fortunate to be a

part of many amazing teams with teammates that helped

push me to become a better player. Being a part of Surrey United allowed me the chance to be a part of their BCSPL program which gave me the opportunity to play competitive games every weekend and consistently play in a challenging environment. This was critical in my development as it meant that I was able to get lots meaningful games at a young age.



What are your favourite memories of Surrey United?

Many of my greatest memories at SUSC come during my time in the BCSPL program where I was a part of three provincial championship teams as well as a silver medalist at the U14 Canadian National Championships.

One of my greatest memories was scoring two goals against Manitoba that helped my team progress to the championship final. None of this could have been possible without my coaches and teammates who all contributed to our successes and helped develop many of these great memories.

What do you miss about Surrey United? I miss practicing with my teammates who became some of my best friends at SUSC and looking forward to the games each weekend at Cloverdale Athletic Park.

