# 2022-23 RAZORBACK STAFF ARKAL







## Eric Musselman



## **ERIC MUSSELMAN**

Arkansas Head Coach San Diego, 1987

73-28 • 3 years at Arkansas 183-62 • 7 years as collegiate head coach 503-291 • 14 seasons as professional head coach

- 1996 USBL Coach of the Year
- 2003 NBA Coach of the Year Runner-Up
- 2012 NBA D-League Coach of the Year
- 2016 Bleacher Report's Mountain West Coach of the Year
- 2017 USBWA District VIII Coach of the Year
- 2018 USBWA District VIII Coach of the Year
- 2018 NABC District 17 Coach of the Year
- 2018 Mountain West Coach of the Year
- 2021 Jim Phelan Coach of the Year Finalist
- 2021 Werner Ladder Naismith Coach of the Year Semifinalist
- 2021 Basketball Times Midlands District Coach of the Year



- Has won at least 20 games in each of his seven years as a collegiate head coach.
- Is the first Razorback coach to win at least 20 games in each of his first three years and has lead the Hogs to back-to-back Elite 8 finishes for the first time since the mid-90's.
- Has had a player drafted in each of his first three years at Arkansas.
- Two of his three recruiting classes have ranked among the nation's top 5, including the nation's #5 class in 2020 and #2 class for 2022.
- Has won three (Mountain West) conference titles and finished second (SEC) once.
- Led his team to each of the last five NCAA Tournaments played, advancing to the Sweet 16 twice and the Elite 8 twice.
- Has put seven players in the NBA since 2019.
- Has produced five All-America honors one each year at Arkansas, two Conference Players of the Year, two conference Freshman of the Year, three Conference 6th Man of the Year awards and 19 All-Conference honors.

Eric Musselman was named head men's basketball coach at the University of Arkansas on April 7, 2019, with his official welcome and press conference coming on the following day at Bud Walton Arena. Musselman has over 30 years of coaching experience, including 22 years as a professional and collegiate head coach.

In his seven years as a collegiate head coach, Musselman's teams have won at least 20 games each year with his winning percentage of .747 ranking seventh-best among active Division I coaches (with at least five years as a head coach at a Division I program). After winning the CBI at Nevada in his first year as a collegiate head coach, his teams have played in each of the last five NCAA Tournaments played (2017, 2018, 2019, 2021 and 2022).

Prior to entering the collegiate head coaching ranks, Musselman was a head coach for seven professional teams, including two seasons with the Golden State Warriors (2002-04) and one with the Sacramento Kings (2006-07). He has won over 500 games as a professional head coach with an overall winning percentage of .634 (503-291).

Musselman recently completed his third season with the Razorbacks and returned the program to heights it had not seen since the mid-1990's. The Razorbacks advanced to the Elite 8 in both 2021 and 2022 and finished ranked among the nation's top 10 (sixth in 2021 and eighth in 2022) for the first time since 1994 and '95.

His exciting brand of basketball and infectious personality has invigorated the Razorback faithful and future Razorbacks. After reaching the NCAA Elite 8 in year two, the Razorback fans responded by selling-out Bud Walton Arena for the entire season before the first game of the 2021-22 season was played. With that, Arkansas has led the NCAA in total attendance in each of the last two years.

## **2022-23 RAZORBACK STAFF**





THE MUSSELMANS: Danyelle, Eric, Mariah, Michael. (Not pictured - Matthew)

## COLLEGIATE HEAD COACHING RECORD

<u>Year</u>	Overall	Conf	Finish	Conf Tourn	NCAA/CBIPostseason
2015-16	24-14	10-8	MW (T4th)	1-1	5-1 • CBI Champion
2016-17	28-7	14-4	MW (1st)	3-0 *	0-1 • #12 seed NCAA 1st Rd
2017-18	29-8	15-3	MW (1st)	1-1	2-1 • #7 seed NCAA Sweet 16
2018-19	29-5	15-3	MW (1st)	1-1	0-1 • #7 seed NCAA 1st Rd
2019-20	20-12	7-11	SEC (T10th)	1-0 #	Canceled
2020-21	25-7	13-4	SEC (2nd)	1-1	3-1 • #3 seed Elite 8
2021-22	28-9	13-5	SEC (4th)	1-1	3-1 #4 seed Elite 8
Totals	183-62	87-38		9-5	13-6 (8-5 NCAA / 5-1 CBI)

\* - Tournament champion # - 2020 SEC Tourney canceled after Rd 1

His proven style and success led the Razorbacks to land the #5 recruiting class in the nation for the 2020-21 season, highlighted by future NBA lottery pick Moses Moody, and the consensus #2 recruiting class for the 2022-23 season, including five-stars Nick Smith Jr., and Jordan Walsh with all five recruits landing on the ESPN and SI top 100 list. In addition, Musselman has been the standard-bearer negotiating the new landscape of NCAA basketball by landing the top transfer players in the nation.

Numerous individual honors have accompanied the teams' success under Musselman. Wolf Pack players Caleb Martin and his twin brother Cody are in their third NBA season and Jalen Harris was selected in the second round of the 2020 NBA Draft by Toronto. At Arkansas, Isaiah Joe was drafted in the second round in 2020 by Philadelphia and he played with Razorback teammate and NBA free agent signee Mason Jones with the 76ers. In 2021, Moody became the first "one-and-done" player in Razorback history as he was an NBA Lottery pick (14th overall) by the Golden State Warriors. Caleb Martin was a two-time All-America selection (2018 and '19) at Nevada while Jones (2020), Moody (2021) and JD Notae (2022) earned All-America honors at Arkansas. Overall, 19 all-conference honors have been earned by Musselman players over the last seven seasons

## AS ARKANSAS HEAD COACH

Year three at Arkansas saw the program reach heights it had not accomplished since the 1994 and '95 seasons when winning the national title and finishing runner-up, respectively. In 2021-22, Arkansas won 28 games (28-9), won 13 SEC games (13-5) and reached the NCAA Elite 8. Coach Musselman led the Hogs to at least 25 wins overall, 13 SEC wins and the Elite 8 in backto-back seasons for the first time since the '94 and '95 campaigns. It marked just the sixth time in 99 years of basketball Arkansas has won at least 28 games and as well as the just sixth time (in 31 seasons) to win 13 league games. Also like last year, Arkansas went through some adversity, dropping 5-of-6 games midway through the year, but won 18 of its final 22 with two historic victories along the way. While Arkansas was 17th in the AP final poll (prior to the NCAA Tournament), the Razorbacks finished #8 in the final coaches poll (after the NCAA Tournament) to give the program back-to-back top 10 finishes for the first time since 1994 and '95.

After dropping 5-of-6 and starting 0-3 in the SEC, Musselman changed the starting lineup and it paid off with a dominant 87-43 win over Missouri, followed by a win at #12 LSU. Those wins sparked a nine-game win streak (eight SEC games and a victory over West Virginia in the SEC-Big 12 Challenge). Arkansas became the first major conference team to win eight consecutive conference games immediately following an 0-3 (or worse) start to league play since 1981-82. The streak was capped with an 80-76 overtime win over Auburn before a Bud Walton Arena record crowd of 20,327. Following a loss, Arkansas closed the regular season by going 5-1 with wins over #16 Tennessee and #6 Kentucky as well as the program's first win at Florida since



## **MUSSELMAN FILE**

- Born: November 19, 1964 Ashland, Ohio
- Hometown: San Diego, Calif.
- Wife: Danyelle
- Children: Michael, Matthew, Mariah
- Education: San Diego, 1987
- Collegiate Head Coaching Honors:
- ^ 2015-16 Bleacher Report MW Coach of the Year
- ^ 2016-17 USBWA District VIII Coach of the Year
- ^ 2017-18 MW Coach of the Year
- ^ 2017-18 USBWA District VIII Coach of the Year
- ^ 2017-18 NABC District 17 Coach of the Year
- ^ 2021 Basketball Times Midlands District Coach of the Year

## **COACHING EXPERIENCE** PROFESSIONAL COACHING EXPERIENCE

- 1989-90, 91-95: **Head Coach**, Rapid City Thrillers (CBA)
- 1990-91: Assistant Coach, Minnesota Timberwolves (NBA)
- 1995-96: **Head Coach**, Florida Sharks (USBL)
- 1996-97: **Head Coach**, Florida/West Palm Beach Dogs (CBA)
- 1998-00: Assistant Coach, Orlando Magic (NBA)
- 2000-02: Assistant Coach, Atlanta Hawks (NBA)
- 2002-04: Head Coach, Golden State Warriors (NBA)
- 2004-06: Assistant Coach, Memphis Grizzlies (NBA)
- 2006-07: Head Coach, Sacramento Kings (NBA)
- 2010-11: **Head Coach**, Reno Bighorns (NBADL)
- 2011-12: Head Coach, Los Angeles D-Fenders (NBADL)

## PROFESSIONAL HEAD COACHING RECORD: 503-291

NBA: 108-138 (.439) 3 years Golden State (2002-04) 75-89 Sacramento (2006-07) 33-49 270-122 (.689) 7 years CBA: Rapid City (1989-90; '91-95) 191-89

Florida/West Palm (1995-97) 79-33

53-3 USBL: (.946) 2 years Florida/Bradenton (1995 & 1996) 53-3

• NBA-DL: 72-28 (.720) 2 years

Reno (2010-11) 34-16 Los Angeles (2011-12)

## **COLLEGE COACHING EXPERIENCE:**

- 2012-13: Assistant Coach, Arizona State
- 2013-14: Associate Head Coach, Arizona State
- 2014-15: Associate Head Coach, LSU
- 2015-19: Head Coach, University of Nevada
- 2019-pres: Head Coach, University of Arkansas

## INTERNATIONAL COACHING EXPERIENCE

- •2009: China
- 2010: USA
- 2010-11: Dominican Republic
- 2011-13: Venezuela

the Feb. 1995 season (a span of 14 consecutive road losses to the Gators).

Arkansas reached the SEC semifinals for the second straight year, thanks to its third win over LSU for the season, and earned a #4 seed in the West Regional for the NCAA Tournament. The Hogs defeated Vermont and New Mexico State to advance to the Sweet 16 where Arkansas took down overall #1 seed Gonzaga, 74-68. The win over the Bulldogs marked the first time a team had beaten the AP #1 team during the regular season (Auburn) and the AP #1 team during the NCAA Tournament (Gonzaga). The Razorback run came to end with a 78-69 loss to Duke in the NCAA Elite 8.

Arkansas led the NCAA in both free throws made (633) and attempted (833) while leading the SEC in free throw percentage (.760).

Individually, JD Notae and Jaylin Williams racked up the honors during the 2021-22 season. Notae earned All-American by seven publi-



second Razorback to be named the USBWA District Player of the Year. He additionally was a consensus first team All-SEC pick, thakn to being SEC and National Player of the Week in leading the Hogs to wins at Florida and versus Kentucky. Williams was named first team All-SEC by the coaches and second team by the media while adding SEC All-Defensive team honors. Williams was also 1-of-6 players named to The Athletic's (Seth Davis) All-Glue team while being named to the CollegeInsider.com Defensive All-America team.

WILLIAMS

In 2020-21, Arkansas advanced to the NCAA Elite Eight for the first time since 1995 and won 25 games overall, which tied for the eighth-best total in the NCAA and was the program. The Razorbacks won 13 SEC games to finish second in the conference. The conference win total was the most since going 13-5 in 2014-15. After a 2-4 start in SEC play, Musselman got the bus back in the right direction by winning 12 straight games versus SEC opponents and 15 of the final 18 overall.

Arkansas finished sixth in the final USA TODAY coaches poll (voted upon after the NCAA Tournament) and #10 in the Associated Press poll (which did not factor in the NCAA Tournament). It was the first time since 1995 Arkansas ended the season among the nation's top 10.

Arkansas was third in the NCAA in free throws made (501) and 11th in the NCAA in scoring (81.4 ppg) while leading the SEC in scoring margin (+10.6).

For his efforts, Musselman was a Jim Phalen National Coach of the Year finalist, a Naismith Men's Coach of the Year semifinalist and the Basketball Times Midlands District Coach of the Year.

Individually in 2020-21, Moses Moody was the first Razorback freshman to earn All-American honors and the first Razorback rookie to be a consensus first team All-SEC selection. The SEC's Freshman of the Year has declared for the NBA draft to become the first "one-and-done" in Razorback history. Also, this past year, JD Notae was named National Sixth Man of the Year by Bleacher Report and the SEC's Sixth Man of the Year by the coaches.

In year one, the Razorbacks led the NCAA in 3-point field goal percentage defense (.272). The squad also led the SEC in free throws made (third in NCAA), turnover margin (ninth in the NCAA), turnovers forced (29th in the NCAA), total steals (34th in the NCAA), fewest turnovers per game (47th in NCAA).

Mason Jones was one of five finalists for the 2020 Jerry West Award, named AP honorable mention All-America, voted AP SEC co-Player of the Year and first team All-SEC, being one of two unanimous picks by the media. He was the only player in the league to rank among the top 10 in scoring (1st), rebounding (20th), assists (10th) and steals (6th). Jones became just the third person to be named SEC Player of the Week a record four times while becoming the first Razorback to lead the SEC in scoring (22.03; 8th in the NCAA).

Jones and Isaiah Joe were both named USBWA All-District as they were to top-scoring duo in the SEC. Joe ranked seventh in the league by scoring 16.9 ppg. Joe, despite missing six total games due to a knee injury, led the SEC in 3-pointers made (94) while ranking fourth in the nation in 3-pointers made per game (3.26). Joe also set a school record for best free throw percentage in SEC games (.954) while ranking 14th in the NCAA in overall free throw percentage (.890).

## AS NEVADA HEAD COACH

At Nevada, Musselman led the Wolf Pack to Mountain West regular-season titles in each of the last three years. The Wolf Pack won the CBI (College Basketball Invitational) postseason tournament in his first year as head coach while adding a Mountain West tournament title in 2017 to secure the program's first NCAA Tournament appearance since 2007. The past two seasons, Nevada earned at-large berths to the NCAA Tournament as a seventh seed each time.

In addition to his teams' success, numerous individual honors have been bestowed upon his players. Caleb Martin































## Eric Musselman

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was a two-time All-America selection (2018 and '19), a two-time district Player of the Year honoree and 2018 Mountain West Player of the Year. Overall, 13 All-Mountain West honors were earned by Wolf Pack players over Musselman's four seasons

This past year, Nevada was ranked among the nation's top 20 all season - including 16 weeks inside the top 10 - and won 29 games for the second straight year, finishing 29-5, to tie the school record for most wins in season. He was one of 15 finalists for the Werner Ladder Naismith Men's College Coach of the Year Award. The team featured Martin, who was named first team All-Mountain West along with Jordan Caroline while Cody Martin was tabbed third team all-conference. All three were named to the MW All-Defensive team while Jazz Johnson was the league's Sixth Man of the Year.

The previous season (2017-18), Musselman led the Nevada basketball program to a place it had not been since 2004, winning 29 games (29-8) and reaching the NCAA Tournament Sweet 16 for just the second time in school history. The Wolf Pack upset No. 2 seed Cincinnati but fell just a point short of reaching the school's first Elite 8, falling 69-68 to Loyola Chicago.

Musselman earned four Coach of the Year honors in 2018 after the Pack's successful season, including MW coaches and media. USBWA District VIII and NABC District 17.

In addition to Musselman earning numerous honors several of his players hauled in top honors after the outstanding season. Caleb Martin garnered the first of his two All-America and District Player of the Year awards while adding MW Player of the Year, MW Newcomer of the Year and MW first team. Caroline was selected to the MW first team, USBWA District VIII team and NABC District 17 first team. Cody Martin earned MW Defensive Player of the Year honors, was selected the MW second team and the MW Defensive team. Kendall Stephens earned third-team MW honors after setting the conference and school record with 126 made 3-pointers. Lindsey Drew joined Caleb Martin on the MW Defensive team.

In year two at Nevada, Musselman led the Pack to a 28-5 ledger, the program's first MW regular season and tournament titles as Musselman was named the USBWA District VIII Coach of the Year.

Several Wolf Pack players earned postseason honors. Marcus Marshall was named to the All-MW first team and MW Eric Musselman developed Mason Jones into the 2020 Newcomer of the Year after breaking the then Nevada single-season record with 115 3's made. Cameron Oliver earned first team honors, Caroline earned second team honors and D.J. Fenner earned second team honors.



Associated Press SEC Player of the Year.

In his first season at Nevada, Musselman transformed the culture of the men's basketball team. Musselman led the Wolf Pack to a 24-14 record and the CBI Championship, defeating Morehead State 85-82 in overtime. BleacherReport.com named him their Mountain West Coach of the Year as the Pack's 15-win improvement from nine wins to 24 ranked the team as the sixth-most improved NCAA I squad in the country.

Three members of the Pack earned postseason honors. Margueze Coleman was voted second team All-MW and NABC All-District. Tyron Criswell was selected as the MW Sixth Man of the Year by the conference media. Cameron Oliver set a school freshman mark and MW freshman record with his 99 blocks. Oliver was selected as the Freshman of the Year by the MW media, adding second team All-MW honors and being named to the league's All-Defensive team.

## AS NCAA DIVISION I ASSISTANT COACH

Prior to Nevada, Musselman spent three seasons as an assistant coach at Arizona State and LSU. In 2013 the Sun Devils advanced to the second round of the NIT and earned a trip to the NCAA Tournament in 2014. The 2015 Tiger squad also advanced to the NCAA Tournament.

The 2013 ASU squad improved by 12 wins and advanced to postseason play for the first time in three years. He was promoted to associate head coach prior to the 2013-14 season. While at ASU, Musselman coached 2013 second-round NBA selection Carrick Felix, 2012-13 Pac-12 co-Freshman of the Year Jahii Carson and Jordan Bachynski who led the nation in blocks in 2013-14.

In his only season at LSU, he coached two first team All-SEC selections in Jarrell Martin and Jordan Mickey. Mickey was also selected to the SEC All-Defensive team.

## AS A PROPESSIONAL COACH

Musselman has been a head coach in the CBA, the United States Basketball League (USBL) and the NBADL along with the two NBA head coaching stops. His teams have collected six division titles and have advanced to the postseason seven times. He coached 24 players that went on to play in the NBA. Five times he was named CBA all-star coach. In addition to mentoring players to NBA careers, three of his former assistant coaches are current NBA head coaches, including Jim Boylan (Chicago Bulls), Scotty Brooks (Washington Wizards) and David Fitzdale (New York Knicks).

Musselman's first head coaching job came at the age of 23 when he was hired by the Rapid City Thrillers of the Continental Basketball Association in 1989. He was the youngest coach in CBA history and the fastest to win 100 games.

He led the USBL Florida Sharks to a 53-3 record in two seasons and a league championship which earned him USBL Coach of the Year honors.

After working as an assistant under Doc Rivers and Hall of Fame coach Chuck Daly, he was named the head coach of the Golden State Warriors in 2002. He led the Warriors to 38 wins, a team-high in more than 10 years, and was runner-up in the NBA Coach of Year voting. He also coached the Warriors during the 2003-04 season.

Eric Musselman helped Moses Moody be the 2021 SEC Freshman of the Year, an NBA Lottery pick and the school's first "one-and-done."

Following a year as an assistant with the Memphis Grizzlies under Mike Fratello, he coached the Sacramento Kings for the 2006-07 season.

Musselman made his first stop in Reno for the 2010-11 season when he was head coach for the NBA D-League's Bighorns and led them to their first Western Conference title in franchise history.

Musselman worked as an analyst on radio and television prior to coaching the Reno Bighorns (2010-11) and LA D-Fenders (2011-12) of the NBADL. In 2012 he earned Coach of the Year honors.

While coaching the Reno Bighorns in NBADL he worked with Jeremy Lin, Danny Green and Steve Novak who were called up to the NBA. Gerald Green, Malcom Thomas, Darius Morris, Jamario Moon and Courtney Fortson earned trips to the NBA when he coached them with the D-Fenders.

Musselman has experience coaching international basketball having served as the head coach of the Dominican Republic National Team (2010-11), The US and Team China in the Adidas Global Experience (2009, 2010) and The Venezuela National Team (2011-13).

## **PERSONAL**

Born in Ashland, Ohio he attended high school in Brecksville (south of Cleveland). He attended the University of San Diego and helped the Toreros to a 24-6 record as a senior and a trip to the NCAA Tournament While at USD he was named to the West Coast Conference All-Academic team three times and the Toreros played in two NCAA Tournaments.

Musselman is married to Danvelle Sargent Musselman who has worked at ESPN. Fox Sports and the NFL Network as a broadcaster. Musselman has two sons Michael and Matthew and the couple has a daughter Mariah.

Musselman's father Bill was also an collegiate and NBA head coach and they were the first father-son combination to become head coaches in the NBA.

## **BEST WINNING PERCENTAGE**

active NCAA Division I head coaches thru 2021-22 season (min 5 yrs • Division I wins)

1	Mark Few, Gonzaga	.837	658-128	23 yrs
2	Bill Self, Kansas	.769	763-229	29 yrs
3	Mike Krzyzewski, Duke	.766	1202-368	47 yrs
4	Chris Jans, New Mexico State	.765	143-44	6 yrs
5	John Calipari, Kentucky	.763	768-239	30 yrs
6	Brian Dutcher, San Diego St.	.748	119-40	5 yrs
7	ERIC MUSSELMAN, ARKANSAS	.747	183-62	7 yrs
8	Bruce Pearl, Auburn	.720	626-243	26 yrs
9	Tony Bennett, Virginia	.720	385-150	15 yrs
10	Tom Izzo, Michigan State	.714	666-267	27 yrs



## MUSSELMAN MILESTONE WINS

## **OVERALL**

 1
 11/13/15
 Coastal Carolina (Honolulu, Hawaii)
 73-56

 100
 01/24/19
 Colorado State (Reno, Nev.)
 100-60

 150
 03/02/21
 at South Carolina (Columbia, S.C.)
 101-73

91-43

73-67

AT ARKANSAS

1 11/05/19 Rice (Fayetteville, Ark.) 50 11/23/21 vs Cincinnati (Kansas City, Mo.)

## MUSSELMAN'S CAREER AS HEAD COACI

NOTE: Profesional basketball <u>DOES NOT</u> count postseason toward season W-L record nor to head coach W-L record

					Reg. Season		
Year	Team	League	Record	Note for the Season	Div,/Conf. Finish	Postseason	
1989-90	<b>Rapid City</b>	CBA	42-14	MOST WINS IN CBA	<b>1st</b> National Conf.	Finals (8-8) *	
1991-92	<b>Rapid City</b>	CBA	37-19	2nd-most wins in CBA	<b>1st</b> National Conf.	Finals (9-7) *	
1992-93	Rapid City	CBA	44-12	MOST WINS IN CBA	<b>1st</b> National Conf.	Conf. Finals (5-3) *	
1993-94	Rapid City	CBA	37-19	MOST WINS IN CBA	<b>1st</b> National Conf.	Conf. Finals (5-5) *	
1994-95	<b>Rapid City</b>	CBA	31-25	6th-most wins in CBA	5th National Conf.	Conf. 1st Rd (0-2) *	
1995-96	Florida	CBA	41-15	MOST WINS IN CBA	<b>1st</b> National Conf.	Conf. Finals (5-3) *	
1996-97	Florida	CBA	38-18	2nd-most wins in CBA	<b>1st</b> American Conf.	Finals (7-6) *	
1995	Florida	USBL	25-2	MOST WINS IN USBL	<b>1st</b> Overall	Champion (1-0) *	
1996	Florida	USBL	28-1	MOST WINS IN USBL	<b>1st</b> Southern Div.	Champion (3-0) *	
2002-03	Golden State	NBA	38-44	6th Pacific Division	11th Western Conf.		
2003-04	Golden State	NBA	37-45	T4th Pacific Division	11th Western Conf.		
2006-07	Sacramento	NBA	33-49	5th Pacific Division	11th Western Conf.		
2010-11	Reno	D-League	34-16	2nd-most wins in NBADL	<b>1st</b> Western Conf.	Semifinals (2-3) *	
2011-12	Los Angeles	D-League	38-12	MOST WINS IN NBADL	<b>1st</b> Western Conf.	Finals (5-2) *	
2015-16	Nevada	NCAA	24-14	Led NCAA in FT Made	T4th Mountain West	CBI Champion (5-1)	
2016-17	Nevada	NCAA	28-7	T16th for Most wins NCAA	<b>1st</b> Mountain West	NCAA 1st Rd (0-1)	
2017-18	Nevada	NCAA	29-8	2nd in NCAA in A-TO ratio	<b>1st</b> Mountain West	NCAA Sweet 16 (2-1)	
2018-19	Nevada	NCAA	29-5	7th in NCAA in W-L%	<b>1st</b> Mountain West	NCAA 1st Rd (0-1)	
2019-20	Arkansas	NCAA	20-12	Led NCAA in 3Pt% Def	T10th SEC	Canceled	
2020-21	Arkansas	NCAA	25-7	NCAA: 2nd in FT/11th PPG	2nd SEC	NCAA Elite 8 (3-1)	
2021-22	Arkansas	NCAA	28-9	Led NCAA in FT & FTA	4th SEC	NCAA Elite 8 (3-1)	
2010	Dominican Tea	ım	5-1	Silver Medal Centrobasket Championship			
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2010 Dominican Team
 2011 Venezuelan Team
 2012 Venezuelan Team
 2013 Silver Medal Centrobasket Championship
 2014 Silver Medal FIBA South American Championship

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Opponent	Overall	Nevada	Arkansas	Last Meeting
Abilene Christian	1-0	0-0	1-0	12/20/20
Air Force	7-0	7-0	0-0	03/05/19
Akron	1-0	1-0	0-0	12/22/18
Alabama	2-2	0-0	2-2	02/12/22
Arizona State	1-0	1-0	0-0	12/07/18
Arkansas-Little Rock	1-0	1-0	0-0	11/16/18
Auburn	3-1	0-0	3-1	02/08/22
Austin Peay	1-0	0-0	1-0	11/12/19
Baylor	0-1	0-0	0-1	03/29/21
Boise State	7-2	7-2	0-0	02/02/19
Bradley	1-0	1-0	0-0	12/03/16
Buffalo	1-0	1-0	0-0	11/25/16
BYU	1-0	1-0	0-0	11/06/18
Cal State Fullerton	0-1	0-1	0-0	11/28/15
California Baptist	1-0	1-0	0-0	11/19/18
Central Arkansas	2-0	0-0	2-0	12/01/21
Charlotte	1-0	0-0	1-0	12/11/21
Cincinnati	2-0	1-0	1-0	11/23/21
Coastal Carolina	1-0	1-0	0-0	11/13/15
Colgate	1-0	0-0	1-0	03/19/21
Colorado State	7-1	7-1	0-0	02/02/19
Davidson	1-0	1-0	0-0	11/21/17
Drake	1-0	1-0	0-0	12/12/15
Duke	0-1	0-0	0-1	03/26/22
Eastern Washington	1-0	1-0	0-0	03/21/16
Elon	1-0	0-0	1-0	12/21/21
Florida	2-2	0-1	2-1	02/22/22
Fresno Pacific	1-0	1-0	0-0	12/09/15
Fresno State	6-3	6-3	0-0	02/23/19
Gardner-Webb	1-0	0-0	1-0	11/13/21
Georgia	2-1	0-0	2-1	02/02/22
Georgia Tech	1-0	0-0	1-0	11/25/19
Grand Canyon	1-0	1-0	0-0	12/09/18
Gonzaga	1-0	0-0	1-0	03/24/22
Hawai'i	1-1	1-1	0-0	11/24/17
Hofstra	0-1	0-0	0-1	12/18/21
Holy Names	1-0	1-0	0-0	11/30/15

MUSSELMAN VS. ALL OPPONENTS					
Opponent	Overall	Nevada	Arkansas	Last Meeting	
Idaho	1-0	1-0	0-0	11/10/17	
Illinois State	1-0	1-0	0-0	11/29/17	
Indiana	1-0	0-0	1-0	12/29/19	
lona	1-1	1-1	0-0	11/26/16	
Iowa State	0-1	0-1	0-0	03/16/17	
Kansas State	1-0	0-0	1-0	11/2/21	
Kentucky	2-1	0-0	2-1	02/26/22	
Little Rock	1-0	0-0	1-0	12/04/21	
Lipscomb	1-0	0-0	1-0	12/05/20	
LSU	5-3	0-0	5-3	03/11/22	
Loyola-Chicago	1-1	1-1	0-0	11/28/18	
Loyola Marymount	1-0	1-0	0-0	11/14/16	
Ole Miss	2-0	0-0	2-0	01/27/21	
Massachusetts	1-0	1-0	0-0	11/23/18	
Mercer	1-0	0-0	2-0	11/09/21	
Mississippi State	2-3	0-0	2-3	02/05/22	
Mississippi Valley	1-0	0-0	1-0	11/25/20	
Missouri	5-2	0-0	5-2	02/15/22	
Montana	2-0	1-0	1-0	11/16/19	
Montana State	1-0	1-0	0-0	11/15/15	
Morehead State	2-1	2-1	0-0	04/01/16	
New Mexico	5-3	5-3	0-0	02/09/19	
New Mexico State	1-0	0-0	1-0	03/19/22	
North Texas	2-0	0-0	2-0	11/29/20	
Northern Iowa	1-0	0-0	1-0	11/17/21	
Northern Kentucky	1-0	0-0	1-0	11/30/19	
<u>Oakland</u>	1-0	1-0	0-0	11/23/16	
Ole Miss	0-3	0-0	3-0	01/27/22	
<u>Oklahoma</u>	0-1	0-0	0-1	12/11/21	
Oklahoma State	0-1	0-0	0-1	01/30/21	
Oral Roberts	2-0	0-0	2-0	03/27/21	
Oregon State	1-1	1-1	0-0	11/18/16	
Pacific	4-0	4-0	0-0	11/09/18	
Penn	1-0	0-0	1-0	11/28/21	
Portland State	1-0	1-0	0-0	11/25/15	
Radford	1-0	1-0	0-0	12/17/17	
Rhode Island	1-0	1-0	0-0	11/13/17	

<b>Opponent</b>	Overall	Nevada	Arkansas	Last Meeting
Rice	1-0	0-0	1-0	11/05/19
Saint Mary's	0-1	0-1	0-0	11/11/16
San Diego State	3-7	3-7	0-0	03/0/19
San Francisco	0-1	0-1	0-0	12/23/17
San Jose State	6-0	6-0	0-0	01/09/19
Santa Clara	2-0	2-0	0-0	11/15/17
South Carolina	2-1	0-0	2-1	01/18/22
South Dakota	1-0	0-0	1-0	11/22/19
South Dakota State	1-0	1-0	0-0	12/15/18
Southern	1-0	0-0	1-0	1209/20
Southern Cal	1-0	1-0	0-0	12/01/18
Southern Illinois	1-0	1-0	0-0	12/22/17
Tennessee	2-3	0-0	2-3	03/05/22
Texas	1-0	1-0	0-0	03/16/18
Texas A&M	3-3	0-0	3-3	03/12/22
Texas Tech	1-0	0-0	1-0	03/21/21
TCU	1-1	0-1	1-0	01/25/20
Texas Southern	1-0	0-0	1-0	11/19/19
Texas Tech	0-1	0-1	0-0	12/05/17
Towson	1-0	1-0	0-0	12/21/16
Tulsa	2-0	1-0	1-0	12/14/19
UC Davis	1-0	1-0	0-0	12/19/17
UC Irvine	2-0	2-0	0-0	12/02/17
UC Santa Barbara	1-0	1-0	0-0	12/22/16
UNLV	7-2	7-2	0-0	02/27/19
UT Arlington	1-0	0-0	1-0	12/02/20
Utah	1-0	1-0	0-0	12/29/18
Utah State	7-2	7-2	0-0	03/02/19
Valparaiso	1-0	0-0	1-0	12/21/19
Vanderbilt	3-1	0-0	3-1	01/04/22
Vermont	2-0	1-0	1-0	03/17/16
Washington	1-0	1-0	0-0	12/11/16
West Virginia	1-0	0-0	1-0	01/29/22
Western Kentucky	0-1	0-0	0-1	12/07/19
Wichita State	0-1	0-1	0-0	12/22/15
Wyoming	5-1	5-1	0-0	02/16/19
Totals	183-62	110-34	73-28	

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# BASKETBALL

# **GUS ARGENAL**

## Arkansas Assistant Coach 2nd Year at Arkansas UC Davis, 2004



Gus Argenal, who worked two seasons at Nevada for Razorback head coach Eric Musselman, rejoined his mentor as an assistant coach for the University of Arkansas in May of 2021. Overall, Argenal has 18 years of collegiate coaching experience.

In year one at Arkansas, Argenal helped the Razorbacks to an NCAA Elite 8 appearance while posting a 28-9 overall mark and 13-5 scoresheet in the SEC. The 28 wins were the program's best since going 32-7 and finishing national runner-up for the 1994-95 season. The Razorbacks recorded historic wins as Arkansas became the first team to beat the AP #1 team in the regular season (Auburn) and in the NCAA Tournament (Gonzaga in the Sweet 16). Individually, JD Notae was named All-American and joined Jaylin Williams on the All-SEC teams. Also, Argenal's recruiting prowess has Arkansas in a position for future success as the Razorbacks' 2022 recruiting class was rated the nation's second-best.

Argenal came to Fayetteville after serving two seasons as associate head coach at Cal State Fullerton.

In his final season at Fullerton (2020-21), the Titans ranked 11th in the NCAA and led the Big West in 3-point field goal percentage (.384) and guard Tray Maddox Jr., was tabbed second team All-Big West. In his first year with the program (2019-20), the Titans had their season cut short due to COVID-19. However, Argenal helped Jackson Rowe and Brandon Kamga claim second team All-Big West honors while Kamga was also named Big West Newcomer of the Year.

Argenal joined the Titans after spending the 2017-18 season as an assistant coach and the 2018-19 season as the associate head coach at Nevada. The Wolf Pack went to the NCAA Tournament both years, including the Sweet 16 in his first season, and won the Mountain West Championship both years as well. They also won 29 games in each season, tying the school record.

Argenal helped Wolf Pack players Caleb Martin, Jordan Caroline, Cody Martin, Kendall Stephens and Lindsey Drew earn post-season honors in 2017-18. Caleb Martin garnered Associated Press honorable mention All-American, MW Player of the Year, MW Newcomer of the Year, MW first team, USBWA District VIII Player of the Year, USBWA VIII team and first team NABC District 17 honors in his junior campaign. Cody Martin earned 2018 MW Defensive Player of the Year honors, was selected the MW second team and to the MW Defensive team. Kendall Stephens earned third-team MW honors after setting the conference and school record with 126 made 3-pointers. Lindsey Drew joined Caleb Martin on the MW Defensive team.

In 2018-19, Caroline and Caleb Martin were selected to the first team for the second consecutive season, Cody Martin was named to the third team. Jazz Johnson was chosen as the Sixth Man of the Year. Caroline and both Martins were selected to the defensive team. Prior to the season the Martin twins and Caroline were named to the 2018-19 MW media preseason team.

Caroline and Caleb Martin were also named to the United States Basketball Writers Association District VIII team today for the second year in a row. Caleb Martin was named the District VIII P

Anthonylayer of the Year for the second consecutive season.

Cody Martin went on to be drafted No. 36 by the Charlotte Hornets in the 2019 NBA Draft. Also, Caleb Martin signed with the Charlotte Hornets, Jordan Caroline signed with the Los Angeles Lakers, and Tre'Shawn Thurman signed with the Detroit Pistons. In addition, Jalen Harris - who redshirted with the Wolf Pack during the 2018-19 season - went on to be drafted No. 59 by the Toronto Raptors in the 2020 NBA Draft.

Argenal spent four seasons (2013-17) as the head coach of the Cal State East Bay Pioneers, an NCAA Division II school, and posted a 35-76 record.-

Prior to being named the head coach at Cal State East Bay he was an assistant coach during the 2012-13 season at Rice. He spent the 2011-12 year at UC Davis as an assistant coach after a three-year stint as an assistant coach at Chico State (2008-11). From 2006-08 he was the director of operations at UT San Antonio. His first stint as an assistant coach at UCD came in 2005-06 after working as a graduate assistant at Arizona State in 2004-05.

Argenal was a point guard who played at UC Davis and still holds the Aggies single-game record with 13 assists. His senior season he topped the Aggies in assists and steals and helped the 2003-04 team post an 18-9 record. He received his undergraduate degree in history from UCD in 2004 and earned a master's degree in education from Arizona State in 2005.

As a prep athlete, Argenal was a three-year starter at De La Salle High School (Concord, Calif.) under legendary head coach Frank Allocco. As a senior and team captain in 1999, he led the Spartans to the Northern California regional finals and was named BVAL Most Valuable Player.

He is married to former UC Davis women's basketball standout, the former Hannah Turner. The couple has two boys, Bo and Ace. Argenal is a second-generation American as his grandparents on his father's side were born in Nicaragua.



## THE ARGENAL FILE

## **PERSONAL**

Hometown: Concord, Calif. (De La Salle HS) Alma Mater: UC Davis, 2004 - Master's: Arizona State, 2005 Wife: the former Hannah Turner Children: Sons - Bo and Ace.

## **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

2004-05: Arizona State (Graduate Assistant Coach) 2005-06: UC Davis (Assistant Coach) 2006-08: UT San Antonio (Dir. of Basketball Operations) 2008-11: Chico State (Assistant Coach)

2011-12: UC Davis (Assistant Coach) 2012-13: Rice (Assistant Coach)

## 2013-17: Cal State East Bay (Head Coach)

2017-18: Nevada (Assistant Coach)
2018-19: Nevada (Associate Head Coach)
2019-21: Cal State Fullerton (Associate Head Coach)
2021-pres.: Arkansas (Assistant Coach)



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# **ANTHONY RUTA**

## Arkansas Assistant Coach 4th Year at Arkansas Arizona State, 2012



After serving three years as the Razorback men's basketball director of operations, Anthony Ruta has been promoted to assistant coach, Arkansas head coach Eric Musselman announced today.

"We are excited and fortunate to have Anthony make this progression on our staff," Musselman said. "His tireless work ethic and overall basketball knowledge led us to hire him both as director of operations and assistant coach at Nevada and then again here at Arkansas. Anthony has proven himself time and again in every facet from scheduling, recruiting, player development and on-court instruction. He has been an integral part of our teams' successes as well as developing our philosophy and terminology. He has built strong relationships with our players and has done a phenomenal job representing the University of Arkansas and Razorback basketball these past three years."

Ruta has helped Arkansas reach back-to-back NCAA Elite 8's and post an SEC-best 73 wins over the past three seasons. Overall, in his seven years at Nevada and Arkansas, the programs have won at least 20 games all seven times while playing in each of the last six postseasons contested over the span.

In addition to team success, Arkansas has produced the 2020 SEC Player of the Year in Mason Jones, 2021 NBA lottery pick Moses Moody and 2022 All-American JD Notae.

In year one at Arkansas, the Razorbacks' strength of schedule ranked 25th by the NCAA Net, including a non-conference ranking of 12. The schedule featured three conference champions, seven 20-win teams and 12 of 13 opponents who had a winning record. In year two, Ruta successfully navigated the ever-changing landscape of college basketball as he once again put together an impressive non-conference schedule in 2020-21. Of Arkansas' nine non-conference opponents, four made the NCAA field including North Texas, Oral Roberts, Abilene Christian and Oklahoma State and all four won in the NCAA first round.

At Nevada, Ruta was initially brought on to be the director of basketball operations before being elevated to assistant coach his last two seasons with the Wolf Pack (2016-17 and 2017-18). In his role as an assistant coach, his duties included scouting opponents, recruiting student-athletes and scheduling opponents.

In Ruta's four years at Nevada, the Wolf Pack won at least 24 games all four years (24, 28, 29 and 29), won three Mountain West regular-season titles, won one conference tournament championship, made three NCAA Tournament appearances - including a Sweet 16 berth, and won the 2016 CBI championship. Also, Ruta helped develop current NBA players Caleb and Cody Martin.

During his time as an assistant coach at Nevada, the Wolf Pack won 29 games each season - tying a school record and marking the programs' best two-year run in school history. Nevada won the Mountain West championship twice and earned at-large berths to the NCAA Tournament each year. In his last season, Nevada was 29-5, was ranked among the nation's top 25 all season and finished 20th in the final AP poll/23rd in the USA Today coaches poll. The previous year, Nevada reached the Sweet 16 for the second time in school history, was 29-8 and was ranked all but two weeks throughout the season before finishing 20th in the coaches final poll/24th by AP.

In his first two seasons at Nevada, the Wolf Pack went 28-7 in 2015-16, won Mountain West regular-season and tournament titles and earned the program's first NCAA berth in 10 years. In his first year at Nevada, Ruta helped the Pack go from nine wins prior to his arrival to 24 in year one and Nevada won the CBI Championship, which was the first postseason championship by a Mountain West or Nevada team.

Prior to coming to Nevada, Ruta was an assistant coach with Fort Wayne Mad Ants of the NBA Development League. He assisted in all areas with Mad Ants that included in-game coaching and practice preparation. His primary responsibilities were defensive game planning. Working with the guards and wings he coached NBA veteran Dahntay Jones and D-League All-Star game MVP Andre Emmett.

Ruta began his coaching career at his alma mater, Arizona State, where he was a graduate assistant for two seasons. The Sun Devils advanced to the postseason both years playing in the NCAA and NIT Championships.

While at ASU he assisted in scouting and game preparation. Additional duties included assisting in scheduling, team workouts primarily with the guards, team travel and summer camps. He also oversaw the team managers, organized the recruiting database and served as the academics and facilities liaison.

As an undergraduate student at ASU, Ruta was the head student manager for two seasons. He assisted with the daily operations of the Sun Devils basketball program which included workouts. Additionally, he worked summer camps and organized the team managers.

Ruta received his Bachelor of Arts degree in English literature from ASU in 2012 and a Master of Education degree in higher education in 2014.



## THE RUTA FILE

## **PERSONAL**

Hometown: Mansfield, Mass. (Mansfield HS) Alma Mater: Arizona State, 2012 - Master's: Arizona State, 2014

## **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

2012-14: Arizona State (Graduate Assistant)
2014-15: Fort Wayne Mad Ants (Assistant Coach)
2015-17: Nevada (Director of Operations)
2017-19: Nevada (Assistant Coach)
2019-22: Arkansas (Director of Operations)

2022-pres.: Arkansas (Assistant Coach)

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# KEITH SMART

## **Arkansas Assistant Coach** 2nd Year at Arkansas Indiana, 1995



Keith Smart, an NBA head coach for three franchises and known for making one of the most iconic shots in NCAA Championship history, was named men's basketball assistant coach at Arkansas on May 12, 2021.

Smart has a long history with Razorback head coach Eric Musselman both as a player with the Rapid City Thrillers and Florida Beachdogs and as an assistant coach on Musselman's staff with the Golden State Warriors. Overall, Smart spent nine years playing professional basketball and 22 years coaching in professional basketball, including head coach of the Cleveland Cavaliers, Golden State and Sacramento Kings as well as assistant positions with the New York Knicks, Memphis Grizzlies, Miami Heat, Kings, Warriors and Cavaliers. He got his start in the coaching business as head coach of the Fort Wayne Fury of the CBA

In his first year coaching in the collegiate ranks, Smart helped Arkansas reach the NCAA Elite and win 28 games. The Razorbacks' were 18-4 to close the season. Game two during that second-half surge was a road win at #12 LSU. Smart, who grew up in Baton Rouge, was acting head coach for the upset versus the Tigers as Eric Musselman was home after having rotator cuff surgery. Arkansas made history by becoming the first team to defeat the AP #1 team during the regular season (Auburn) and during the NCAA Tournament (Gonzaga in the Sweet 16). Arkansas added wins over ranked Tennessee and Kentucky teams as well. His knack for player development helped JD Notae earn All-America honors while Jaylin Williams, who was recognized as one of the nation's top defensive players, was named joined Notae on the All-SEC teams. Also, Smart showed he had what it took on the recruiting trails as Arkansas' 2022 class was the consensus #2 group in the nation.

Smart burst onto the national scene after making the game-winning shot for Indiana in the 1987 NCAA Championship versus Syracuse. Overall, he played two seasons with the Hoosiers (1986-88), was drafted in the second round by the Golden State Warriors in 1988 and played with the San Antonio Spurs (1988).

After his time with the Spurs, Smart played nine seasons of professional basketball in the CBA and internationally. It was after his final stop - the Fort Wayne Fury - Smart made the transition from player one year to head coach the next with the Fury. In his first year (1997-98), Fort Wayne was 31-25 and won the CBA's East Division. The Fury were 28-28 in year two and 26-30 in year three. A CBA-high, 21 players from Fort Wayne signed NBA contracts during Smart's three seasons a head coach.

From Fort Wayne, Smart began his NBA coaching career with the Cleveland Cavaliers for the 2000-01 season. After two-plus years as an assistant with the Cavs, Smart was named Cleveland's interim head coach for the final 40 games of the 2002-03 campaign. At the time, Smart was the second-youngest head coach in the NBA, trailing only Musselman.

Smart then joined Musselman as an assistant coach with the Golden State Warriors for the 2003-04 season. After one season with Musselman, Smart stayed on as an assistant with the Warriors for two seasons under Mike Montgomery and an additional four seasons under Don Nelson. Prior to the 2010-11 season, Nelson stepped down and Smart was named head coach, leading the Warriors to 36 wins - a 10-game improvement over the previous season.

After his time with the Warriors, Smart was brought on by the Sacramento Kings as an assistant coach for the 2011-12 season. Seven games into that year, the Kings made a coaching change and Smart was named head coach, posting a 20-39 record. He stayed on as head coach the following season (2012-13).

In 2014, Smart was hired as an assistant coach with the Miami Heat by Eric Spoelstra. In year two with the Heat, Miami won the Southeast Division and reached the Eastern Conference semifinals. From there, Smart spent two seasons (2016-18) as an assistant coach under David Fizdale with the Memphis Grizzlies. He then went to serve on Fizdale's staff with the New York Knicks for the 2018-19 season.

Smart, who was the 1987 NCAA Final Four Most Outstanding Player, scored 765 points in two seasons at Indiana and is a member of the Indiana Athletics Hall of Fame (Class of 2017). Prior to Indiana, he played two seasons at Garden City (Kan.) CC where he earned Jayhawk Conference Player of the Year honors.

In 2022, Smart was inducted into the Garden City Community College and Indiana Sports Halls of Fame.

He received his Bachelor of General Studies from Indiana in 1995. He and his wife Carol have two sons, Andre and Jared. Jared played football at Hawai'i and earned All-Mountain West honorable mention honors in 2020 as a wide receiver.

## THE SMART FILE

## **PERSONAL**

Hometown: Baton Rouge, La. (McKinley HS)

Alma Mater: Indiana, 1995

Wife: Carol

Children: Sons. Andre and Jared

NBA: 2nd round pick (41st overall) by Golden State

## PLAYING EXPERIENCE

1984-86: Garden City CC (Kansas)

1986-88: Indiana - 1987 NCAA National Champion

1988: San Antonio Spurs

1988-90: Rapid City Thrillers

1989: San Miguel Beermen

1989: Worcester Counts

1990: Youngstown Pride

1991: Halifax Windiammers

1993: Bravo de Lara

1994: Cambrais Basket

1995: Trotamundos de Carabobo

1995-96: Florida Beachdogs

1996-97: Fort Wayne Fury

## PRO HEAD COACHING RECORD

1997-98	Fort Wayne	CBA	31-25
1998-99	Fort Wayne	CBA	28-28
1999-00	Fort Wayne	CBA	26-30
2002-03	Cleveland *	NBA	9-31
2010-11	Golden State	NBA	26-46
2011-12	Sacramento	NBA	20-39
2012-13	Sacramento	NBA	28-54
3-year CBA I	Record		85-83
4-year NBA	Record		93-170
7-YEAR PRO	RECORD		178-253

\* - Interim head coach

## COACHING EXPERIENCE

1997-00: Fort Wayne Fury (Head Coach) 2000-03: Cleveland Cavaliers (Assistant Coach) 2003: Cleveland Cavaliers (Interim Head Coach) 2003-10: Golden State Warriors (Assistant Coach) 2010-11: Golden State Warriors (Head Coach) 2011: Sacramento Kings (Assistant Coach) 2011-13: Sacramento Kings (Head Coach) 2014-16: Miami Heat (Assistant Coach) 2016-18: Memphis Grizzlies (Assistant Coach)

2018-19: New York Knicks (Assistant Coach) 2021-pres.: Arkansas (Assistant Coach)



## Michael Musselman / Matt Lopez

# CHAEL MUSSELMAN

## Arkansas Director of Basketball Operations 4th Year at Arkansas San Diego State, 2018



Michael Musselman was promoted to Director of Basketball Operations on May 10, 2022. He will continue to lead the men's basketball recruiting efforts while handling the day-to-day operations of the program. This past year (2021-22), he completed his third season with the Razorbacks as the director of recruiting while adding the title of assistant director of basketball operations.

Under Musselman's direction, the Razorbacks landed the nation's #2 recruiting class in the country for 2022. The group featured six players ranked among the ESPN and Sl.com top 100 including three five-stars and McDonald's All-Americans - Nick Smith Jr., Jordan Walsh and Anthony Black, as well as three four-stars - Barry Dunning Jr., Derrian Ford and Joseph Pinion.

Arkansas had never had a class with at least four players among the ESPN top 100 until Musselman's arrival and the Razorbacks have now done so twice (class of 2020 and class of 2022). Since 2004, only four Arkansas recruiting classes have ranked among the nation's top 10 and two of those have come under Musselman's direction as the class of 2020 was #5 ESPN / #9 247Sports and the class of 2022 ranks #2 in ESPN, 247Sports and Rivals.

In his first season at Arkansas, the recruiting class of 2020 was the fifth-best group in the nation (ESPN) thanks to top-40 prospects Moses Moody and Khalen Robinson as well as four stars and Arkansas' co-Players of the Year Davonte Davis and Jaylin Williams. Arkansas also landed three of the top graduate transfers in the nation in Jalen Tate (#5 by NBC Sports), Vance Jackson (#8 by CBS Sports) and Justin Smith (#11 by The Stadium). Moody would go on to earn SEC Freshman of the Year, first team All-SEC and All-American honors. With his success, Moody became the program's first "one-and-done" as the Golden State Warriors made him a lottery pick with the 14th selection in the 2021 NBA draft.

In 2021-22, Arkansas focused its recruiting on the transfer market with Stanley Umude, Au'Diese Toney, Trey Wade and Chris Lykes playing vital roles in the Razorbacks reaching a second straight NCAA Elite 8 and an #8 finish in the final coaches poll.

Overall, his recruiting efforts have propelled Arkansas to levels of success the program has not seen in 25 years. The Razorbacks made back-to-back NCAA Elite 8 appearances, have won at least 25 games overall and 13 in the SEC in two straight years, and finished ranked among the top 10 in the national polls.

Prior to Arkansas, Musselman spent one year (2018-19) as a graduate assistant at Nevada, helping the team win 29 games, win a Mountain West Championship and earn an NCAA Tournament berth.

Musselman previously served as a student manager at his alma mater, the University of San Diego. In his four years with the Toreros, he assisted the team in practice sessions, scouting reports, film editing and statistical analysis.

Musselman continues the coaching legacy that was started by his grandfather, Bill Musselman.

Musselman received his bachelor's degree in communications and a minor in business administration from San Diego in 2018. He completed his master's degree in educational leadership from Nevada in the summer of 2019.

# **MATT LOPEZ**

## Arkansas Special Assistant to the Head Coach 1st Year at Arkansas Grand Canyon, 2018



Matt Lopez was named special assistant to the head coach for Razorback basketball on April 28, 2022.

With the Razorbacks, Lopez will gather and disseminate analytics, prepare film for opponent scouting for both coaches and players and serve as the academic liaison.

Lopez served last two seasons (2020-22) as director of operations for the University of South Dakota. His duties with the Coyotes included compliance, recruiting, team travel, academic monitoring, scheduling, practice planning and game preparation. In addition, Lopez handled all film exchange, breaking down game and practice film and creating player development edits and highlight packages for players and recruits.

A Phoenix-area native, Lopez spent four years at Grand Canyon University as the Antelopes' video coordinator for two seasons and a student manager for two seasons under head coach Dan Majerle. At GCU, Lopez was a part of a program that made it to the WAC Championship game in its first three years of NCAA Division I postseason eligibility and went 77-52 over the span.

Prior to GCU, Lopez was the video coordinator as a student at Glendale Community College. While Lopez served on the GCC staff, the Gauchos made the NJCAA Region I Division II playoffs and defeated the 2015-16 Division I national champions, Salt Lake Community College, at the Native American Classic.

Lopez earned a bachelor's degree in marketing with a minor in sports management from GCU in the spring of 2018 and a master's degree in leadership at GCU in the summer of 2021. He is a 2013 graduate of Youngker High School in Buckeye, Ariz., where he was a varsity letterman in basketball.



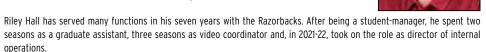






# RILEY HALL

## **Arkansas Director of Internal Operations** 7th Year at Arkansas Arkansas, 2016



Hall has handled numerous administrative duties over his tenure such as overseeing the collection of game tapes, breaking down practice and game footage for instructional use and organizing scouting video for the Razorback coaching staff. More recently, he works closely with head coach Eric Musselman, organizing his daily schedule, as well as handling travel logistics for the team.

Previously, Hall spent two seasons as a graduate assistant with the Razorback men's basketball program in 2017-18. His duties then included overseeing all student managers, supervising practice preparations, directing and sending mailouts for current and future recruits and reviewing film breakdown/scouting reports for potential opponents. Prior to coming on staff, Hall served as a student manager from 2013-16.

The Bryant, Arkansas, native graduated from the University of Arkansas in May 2016 with a bachelor's degree in kinesiology. He completed his Master's in Recreation and Sports Management in 2018.

Hall married the former London Farrar on August 4, 2018.



# **BLAKE WETHERINGTON**

## Arkansas Assistant Director of Recruiting and Scouting 1st Year at Arkansas Murray State, 2017

Blake Wetherington was named assistant director of recruiting and scouting on June 2, 2022.

In addition to his role in evaluating players for recruiting and scouting, Wetherington will use his graphic design and video skills to run the Arkansas Razorback Recruiting Twitter page.

Wetherington comes to Arkansas after spending the last four years at lowa State. This past season, he was elevated to recruiting and scouting coordinator where he assisted the staff in developing and maintaining lowa State men's basketball's brand, as well as other recruiting and scouting duties such as graphic design. Wetherington spent the previous three seasons as a graduate assistant with the Cyclones.

This past season, the Cyclones had one of the best turnarounds in the history of Division I college basketball, winning 20 more games than the previous season and advanced to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament. The Cyclones finished the season 22-13 overall and earned five wins against nationally-ranked opponents.

During his time in Ames, Wetherington was also part of the 2018-19 Cyclone squad that finished 23-12 and advanced to the NCAA Tournament. He additionally helped in the development of three future NBA players including Marial Shayok, Talen Horton-Tucker and Tyrese Haliburton.

Off the court, Wetherington was one of 22 graduate assistants across all levels of college basketball to participate in the inaugural (2020) GA Top Connect GALA, one of college basketball's top leadership workshops.

Wetherington joined the ISU program after five years at Murray State, the last of which he served as a graduate assistant for the Racers.

As graduate assistant at MSU, he handled the daily operations of the program, assisted in the scouting of opposing teams and coordinated on-campus recruiting visits. Wetherington designed a weekly recruiting graphic system and media for in-home and on-campus recruiting visits. He also oversaw and managed the student manager program for the Racers.

Prior to becoming a graduate assistant at MSU, Wetherington served as a student manager for the program from 2013-17. During the span, Murray State won a pair of Ohio Valley Conference regular season titles and the 2018 OVC Tournament while advancing to the postseason three times. Also, the Racers produced OVC Player of the Year winners Jonathan Stark and Ja Morant.

The Mayfield, Ky., native was coordinator of Matt McMahon Camps for two years. He has also worked camps at Xavier, Virginia Tech. Texas A&M and Duke.

He graduated from Murray State in 2017 with a bachelor of science in business and business administration. He earned his master's degree in youth development from lowa State in the summer of 2020.





# **CODD LEE**

## Arkansas Director of Scouting/Assistant to Head Coach 1st Year at Arkansas South Dakota, 1986

University of Arkansas head basketball coach Eric Musselman has named former University of South Dakota head basketball coach Todd Lee the Razorbacks' Director of Scouting and Assistant to the Head Coach on June 10, 2022.

Lee and Musselman have a relationship that spans 30-plus years. Lee was on Musselman's staff with the Rapid City Thrillers from 1992-94 after serving three years (1989-92) as an assistant coach under legendary University of San Diego head coach Hank Egan, who was Musselman's coach with the Toreros. Also, Lee mentored 2021-22 Razorback Stanley Umude to three All-Summit League honors while playing at South Dakota.

In addition to his connections with Musselman, Lee's has ties to Northwest Arkansas as his parents - M.O. and Wanda - lived in Bentonville for over 20 years after his father retired.

Lee, a two-time conference Coach of the Year and finalist for national Coach of the Year, spent four seasons as head coach at the University of South Dakota and has 12 years of collegiate head coaching experience to his credit. He was 66-52 at South Dakota (2018-22) and was 154-81 in eight years at Kentucky Wesleyan (2005-13). Lee has also been an assistant coach at Southwestern CC (1986-89), Cal State Bakersfield (1994-97), UC Irvine (1997-2005) and Grand Canvon (2013-18).

Lee led South Dakota to a 19-12 record in 2021-22, including a 12-5 mark down the stretch after a two-week shutdown of the program due to COVID, while reaching the Summit League semifinals. Mason Archambault and Kruz Perrott-Hunt were named second team All-Summit League while Tasos Kamateros received honorable mention honors and Boogie Anderson was voted to the league's inaugural All-Defensive team.

In his third season at USD (20020-21), Lee guided a trio of Coyotes to All-Summit League honors in Umude (1st), A.J. Plitzuweit (1st) and Xavier Fuller (HM). Lee also earned the 2021 Summit League Coach of the Year honors while Plitzuweit earned the Newcomer of the Year honor as well as a spot on the All-Newcomer team. The Coyotes started conference play 9-0 for the first time since the 1992-93 season and reeled off 10 straight wins for its longest streak since the 2009-10 campaign. Lee's squad also knocked off South Dakota State in Frost Arena for the first time since the 1999-00 season, snapping SDSU's 32 game conference home win streak.

The Coyotes finished the season ranked eighth in the nation in 3-point FG percentage, 14th in the nation in free throw percentage and 15th in the nation in turnover percentage. In the Summit League, the Yotes ranked first in free throw percentage and defensive field goal percentage.

Individually, Umude earned NABC All-District second team honors and finished the season as the 10th leading scorer in the country and fifth in field goals made. He is the only Coyote since the program went to Division I in 2008 to score over 21 points per game. He ended his career 11th

In year two, he guided Tyler Hagedorn to first team All-Summit League honors after coming off a redshirt season. Hagedorn also earned NABC All-District 12 first team honors and was a two-time Summit League Player of the Month and two-time Summit League Player of the Week. Umude earned second team All-Summit League honors. Umude also became the first Coyote to garner preseason Summit League Player of the Year

As a team, the Coyotes recorded 20 wins in the 2019-20 season and had an eight-game overall win streak as well as a seven-game conference win streak, the longest such streaks since joining the Summit League. The Yotes finished as one of 11 teams in the nation that had five starters average 10 points or more on the season. In addition, USD finished the season ranked sixth in the nation in both FG percentage and 3-point percentage while ranking fourth in the nation with 1.021 points per possession on the season.

In his first year at the helm of USD, he guided Umude to first team All-Summit League honors after increasing his points per game output by 13.3 points over his freshman campaign to 14.4 points per contest. That number led the nation for all sophomores over their rookie season. Senior Trey Burch-Manning and junior Triston Simpson each earned an honorable mention to the Summit League teams while junior Cody Kelley garnered all-newcomer team accolades. As a team, Lee's defense led the Summit League with the fewest points allowed per game at just 71.2 while the Yotes ranked sixth in the nation in fewest turnovers.

Prior to South Dakota, Lee spent five seasons as the associate head coach at Grand Canyon University, helping the Antelopes to a 103-58 record. He served under former NBA All-Star Dan Majerle and the program accumulated 81 wins during the four-year transition to Division I, beginning in Lee's first year with GCU. The number of wins is the most by any program that has made the leap into Division I.

In his final season at Grand Canyon (2017-18), the 'Lopes totaled 22 wins for the third-straight year and advanced to the Western Athletic Conference (WAC) championship game. GCU finished in the top three of the WAC in all five seasons with Lee and made four consecutive postseason

In his five years at GCU, Lee mentored five first team all-WAC selections, four second team honorees, four all-defensive team selections and a WAC Freshman of the Year. Additionally, Josh Braun, a three-time all-conference honoree, was a three-time Academic All-American, including two first-team nods.

Lee came to Grand Canyon after eight seasons at Kentucky Wesleyan. After taking over a program with limited scholarships due to NCAA sanctions, Lee had only 20 wins in his first two seasons with the Panthers. However, he went 24-8 in year three and made the first of five consecutive NCAA Division II tournament appearances. The highlight was the 2012 campaign when Lee led Kentucky Wesleyan to a trip to the Sweet 16 and a No. 1 national ranking during the year. The program ended the season ranked in the top 25 on four occasions and the Panthers averaged 22 wins over Lee's final six season with .736 win percentage (134-48).

Lee coached five first team All-Great Lakes Valley Conference (GLVC) selections and 14 total all-conference performers including Jeff Fahnbulleh, the 2007-08 GLVC Player of the Year. Lee was named the 2008 GLVC Coach of the Year in 2008, the NABC Midwest Region Coach of the Year in 2010 and a finalist for the prestigious Clarence 'Big House' Gaines Division II National Coach of the Year in 2012.



## THE LEE FILE

## **PERSONAL**

Born: February 20, 1964 Hometown: Huron, South Dakota Alma Mater: South Dakota, 1986 Children: Carson, Jackson and Peyton Education: South Dakota (1986 - Business Admin.) - Azusa Pacific (2003 - Master's in Education)

## COACHING EXPERIENCE

1986-1989: Southwestern CC (Assistant Coach) 1989-1992: San Diego (Assistant Coach) 1992-1994: Rapid City Thrillers (Assistant Coach) 1994-1997: Cal State Bakersfield (Assistant Coach) 1997-2005: UC Irvine (Assistant Coach)

2005-2013: Kentucky Wesleyan (Head Coach) 2013-2018: Grand Canyon (Assistant Coach) 2018-2022: South Dakota (Head Coach)

2022-pres.: Arkansas (Dir. of Scouting/Asst to the HC)

## **HEAD COACHING RECORD**

			NCAA
Year	School	All/Conf	Postseason
2005-06	Ky Wesleyan	7-19 / 4-15	
2006-07	Ky Wesleyan	13-14 / 6-13	
2007-08	Ky Wesleyan	24-8 / 14-5	D-II 1st RD
2008-09	Ky Wesleyan	19-9 / 11-7	D-II 1st RD
2009-10	Ky Wesleyan	29-5 / 16-2	D-II 1st RD
2010-11	Ky Wesleyan	19-10 / 10-8	D-II 1st RD
2011-12	Ky Wesleyan	23-8 / 12-6	D-II Sweet 16
2012-13	Ky Wesleyan	20-8 / 11-7	
2018-19	South Dakota	13-17 / 7-9	
2019-20	South Dakota	20-12 / 10-6	
2020-21	South Dakota	14-11 / 11-4	
2021-22	South Dakota	19-12 / 11-7	

HEAD COACHING RECORD: 220-133 (.623) - 12 seasons

- At Kentucky Wesleyan: 154-81 (.655) 8 seasons
- At South Dakota: 66-52 (.559) 4 seasons First Victory: Nov. 22, 2005 vs. Oakland City, 86-72 100th Victory: Jan. 2, 2011 at Wisconsin-Parkside, 81-73 (OT) 200th Victory: Feb. 27, 2021 vs. North Dakota State, 80-71

He spent eight seasons (1987-05) as an assistant coach at UC-Irvine with the final four as associate head coach under Pat Douglass. The Anteaters claimed a pair of Big West Conference Championships and captured three-straight 20-win seasons for the first time in program history.

UC-Irvine also played in the National Invitation Tournament in 2001 and 2002.

Lee also served as an assistant under Douglass for three years at CSU-Bakersfield, compiling a 75-16 record and capturing the 1997 NCAA Division II National Championship. In all three years (1994-97), the Roadrunners advanced to the NCAA Tournament.

Lee spent two years (1992-94) as an assistant coach for the Rapid City Thrillers of the CBA under Musselman. While with the Thrillers, Lee organized and coached the first CBA or NBA professional basketball team to tour China and compete against the Chinese National Army, posting a 5-0 record in 1992.

Lee's coaching career started as an assistant at Southwestern College (1986-89) before being named assistant coach at the University of San Diego (1989-1992).

A native of Huron, South Dakota, Lee graduated from South Dakota in 1986 with a degree in business administration. He received his master's degree in education from Azusa Pacific in 2003. Lee has three sons, Carson, Jackson and Pevton.

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## ARKANSAS 100 BASKETBALL

# **RONNIE BREWER**

## Arkansas Recruiting Coordinator 2nd Year at Arkansas Arkansas, 2015

Razorback All-American and former NBA first-round draft pick Ronnie Brewer Jr., joined the Razorback the men's basketball staff as recruiting coordinator on July 20, 2021.

He made an immediate impact in his first (2021-22) as the Razorbacks landed its best signing class in history - consensus #2 in the nation - with three five stars and all six being among the ESPN and SI top 100. In addition to his recruiting duties and being entrenched in the Northwest Arkansas community, Brewer oversees the team's community service efforts.

Brewer, the 14th pick in the 2006 NBA Draft by the Utah Jazz, spent 10 seasons playing professional basketball (2006-16). Brewer played three seasons (2006-10) with the Utah Jazz and played in the 2008 NBA Rookie-Sophomore Game. He was traded to the Memphis Grizzlies in January of 2010. He then signed with Chicago prior to the 2010-11 season and spent two seasons with the Bulls. Over the next two seasons, Brewer played with the New York Knicks (2012-13), Oklahoma City Thunder (2013), Houston Rockets (2013-14) and a second stint with the Bulls (2014). He ended his professional career playing one season (2015-16) with the Santa Cruz Warriors.

He scored 3,940 points in his NBA career with 1,427 rebounds and 828 assists. Highlights include him playing and starting a career-high 81 games while averaging a career-high 13.7 points, in 2008-09 with the Utah Jazz and playing 81 games in 2010-11 to help the Chicago Bulls post the best record in the NBA (62-20) and reach the Eastern Conference finals.

After his rookie season in the NBA, he started the Ronnie Brewer Foundation in 2007 to support communities in at-risk situations while promoting education, physical fitness, and the importance of working together as a team. He additionally organized annual summer basketball camps for the youth in Fayetteville and has created jobs in Farmington with his Brew Crew Transportation Trucking Company.

In 2009, Brewer was the recipient of the University of Arkansas' Silas Hunt Legacy Award, which recognizes African Americans for their significant contributions to the community, state and nation.

After retiring from professional basketball and in addition to his Foundation and trucking company, Brewer has worked at Fayetteville High School with the boy's basketball team and a communications teacher as well as coaching the Woodz Elite U16 AAU basketball team. Brewer has also put his communications background to use by serving as host on sports radio talk shows in South Florida and Northwest Arkansas.

During his playing career at Arkansas, Brewer was a 2006 All-American, a two-time first team All-SEC selection (2005 and '06) and a two-time All-District pick (2005 and '06) by both the National Association of Basketball Coaches and the U.S. Basketball Writers Association

Brewer ranks 16th on Arkansas' all-time scoring list with 1,416 - trailing his father and fellow NBA first-round pick Ron with 1,440 points - in his three seasons with the Razorbacks. He led the Razorbacks in steals in each of his three seasons, including leading the SEC in 2006 with 83, and ranks eighth on the school's all-time steals list. Brewer additionally led the Hogs in scoring, rebounding, field goals made and free throws made in both 2005 and 2006 while leading the team in assists and 3-point field goal percentage in 2005.

Born in Portland, Ore., Brewer grew up in Fayetteville and was inducted into Fayetteville High School's Hall of Greats in 2017. While with the Purple Bulldogs, he was selected Mr. Basketball in Arkansas as a senior in 2003. He broke Corliss Williamson's conference scoring record as a senior and averaged 25 points, nine rebounds and six assists that season.

Although he only played three seasons for the Razorbacks (2004-06), Brewer received his degree in journalism from Arkansas in 2015.

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# CALEB CLINE

## Arkansas Assistant Director of Operations 3RD Year at Arkansas South Dakota, 2020

After serving two seasons (2020-22) as a graduate assistant at the University of Arkansas, Caleb Cline was promoted to assistant director of operations in the summer of 2022.

Cline helped the Razorbacks reach the NCAA Elite 8 in both 2021 and 2022 while working with NBA lottery pick Moses Moody, All-American JD Notae and NBA draft pick Jaylin Williams.

A native of LeMars, Iowa, Cline played for current Razorback staffer Todd Lee and played with Razorback Stanley Umude at the University of South Dakota. He is pursuing a Master's in Adult and Lifelong Learning at Arkansas.



# RICHARDSON

## Arkansas Head Strength & Conditioning Coach 5th Year at Arkansas Louisiana-Monroe, 1989

Dave Richardson is in his fifth season as head strength and conditioning coach for men's basketball. Prior to Arkansas, Richardson spent 13 seasons as associate strength and conditioning coach at Ohio State University, where he helped develop some of the top collegiate basketball players in the nation.

Since his arrival in Fayetteville, Richardson has worked with four Razorback All-Americas and five Razorbacks that went on to play in the NBA. The list includes All-America and current Washington Wizards forward Daniel Gafford; the 2020 AP SEC Player of the Year and All-America Mason Jones, who played for the Houston Rockets and Philadelphia 76ers in 2020-21; current Thunder guard Isaiah Joe; 2021 SEC Freshman of the Year and All-America Moses Moody, who was an NBA lottery pick by the Golden State Warriors in 2021; and current Thunder forward Jaylin Williams.

In the summer of 2020, Richardson obtained Registered Strength and Conditioning Coach Emeritus (RSCC\*E) designation by the National Strength and Conditioning Association (NSCA). The NSCA's Registered Strength and Conditioning Coach (RSCC) is the NSCA's highest designation and signifies that a certified coach has demonstrated experience and knowledge in their field. RSCC coaches apply foundational knowledge to assess, motivate, educate, and train athletes for the primary goal of improving sport performance. "Coach Rich" is just one of 158 coaches who has obtained the RSCC\*E, awarded to those meeting the criteria for at least 20 years.

Richardson spent 12 seasons with the Buckeye's men's basketball program while serving as the men's lacrosse strength coach this past season. During his time with Ohio State basketball, the Buckeyes made 11 postseason appearances, including five Sweet 16 berths, two Final Four's, a national runner-up finish in 2007 and an NIT Championship in 2008. Richardson helped Evan Turner be the 2010 consensus National Player of the Year and Greg Oden be the top pick in the 2007 NBA Draft. A total of 21 of his players went on to play in the professionally with nine players being drafted by the NBA highlighted by Oden, Turner (2nd overall pick in 2010), D'Angelo Russell (2nd overall pick in 2015) and Mike Conley Jr. (4th overall pick in 2007).

Prior to his time at Ohio State, Richardson was the strength and conditioning coach for the Miami Hurricane men's basketball program from 2001-05 where he helped develop long-time NBA veterans John Salmons and James Jones. He worked for six seasons as the head strength and conditioning coach at the University of Louisiana at Monroe and served five years as head strength and conditioning coach at Nicholls State University. Two of the seasons at Nicholls State he served as the head track and field coach.

The Monroe, La., native also worked as the strength and conditioning coach for Central America's Davis Cup tennis team in 1991. Richardson, who was a student assistant on the ULM strength staff as an undergraduate, earned

a bachelor's degree in health and human performance in 1989 and a master's degree in exercise science in 1990 from Louisi-

He has a strong background in powerlifting. In 1984 he won the Alaska powerlifting state championship and was crowned the Louisiana state powerlifting champion in 1986 and 1987. In 1985 and 1986 he was the ArkLaMiss champion and was listed among the Powerlifting USA Top 100. In addition, Richardson served five years in the Army and was a member of the All-Army powerlifting team.

Richardson and his wife, Amanda, have a son, David. Richardson also has a daughter, Megan, who is a teacher in Louisiana.



# JACOB HOOPS

## Arkansas Assistant Director of Academics 9th Year at Arkansas Arkansas, 2012



Jacob Hoops began working at the University of Arkansas in December of 2014 and has held several positions along the way. His currently serves as assistant director of academics, a position he has held since the summer of 2021, and works with the men's basketball and softball programs.

Hoops previously severed two roles as academic counselor, working with the men's basketball and men's golf programs as well as the softball and swimming & diving programs. He began working in academics as a graduate assistant where he served the men's basketball and women's golf teams. Hoops got his start with the Razorbacks working as a football operation intern before moving to work as an intern with student-athlete development.

A native of West Fork, Ark., Hoops is a two-time graduate of the University of Arkansas. He received his bachelor's degree in sports management in 2012 and his master's of education in 2014.

Hoops is married to the former Rae-Marie Busby, who also works at the University of Arkansas.

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# TARKANSAS III BASKETBALL

# **MATT TOWNSEND**

## Arkansas Head Athletic Trainer 3rd Year at Arkansas Washington State, 2015

Matt Townsend is in his thirdd year at the University of Arkansas and first as a head athletic trainer.

Townsend originally came to Arkansas as an assistant athletic trainer and worked with men's and women's tennis and the spirit squads as well as assisting with the men's basketball program. He took over as the primary men's basketball athletic trainer in December of 2020 and was elevated to head athletic trainer in the summer of 2021.

Townsend successfully navigated the program through all the COVID protocols over the past two seasons (2021-22) while the Razorbacks made back-to-back runs to the NCAA Elite 8.

Prior to Arkansas, Townsend spent two seasons (20147-19) as an athletic training fellow with the Kansas Jayhawks. He also spent two seasons (2015-17) as a graduate assistant at the University of Idaho, working with the men's and women's track and field/cross country programs. While there he received his master's degree in movement and leisure science.

Townsend, a native of Mukilteo, Wash, is a 2015 graduate of Washington State, receiving is bachelor's in athletic training. He served as an intern in the summer of 2015 working with the Cougars' baseball and volleyball programs.



# **KRISTINA PARRISH**

Arkansas Sports Dietitian 2nd Year at Arkansas Purdue, 2016



Kristina Parrish is in her second season at the University of Arkansas. She serves as the sports dietitian for the men's and women's basketball programs as well as working with the volleyball and softball programs.

Parrish's role at Arkansas includes overseeing the student-athlete's overall wellness education and healthy choices program as well as consulting with the coaching staffs, athletic trainers, strength & conditioning staff and student-athletes for sound nutritional plans including team meals and fueling strategies.

Parrish came to Arkansas from East Carolina University where she was named the Pirates' first-ever Director of Sports Nutrition.

Prior to EDU, Parish served as a sports dietitian intern at Rutgers University, She directly supervised the nutritional operations for the football, gymnastics, volleyball and women's golf programs. She also worked as a sports nutrition intern at the University of Virginia and a student associate at the Purdue University athletic dining room.

Parrish, who earned a Master of Science in nutrition and wellness from Benedictine University in 2017 and a bachelor's degree in dietetics and health from Purdue in 2016, is a member the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics and the Collegiate & Professional Sports Dietitians Association.

# **DANIEL REEVES**

Arkansas Equipment Manager 9th Year at Arkansas Kentucky, 2005



Daniel Reeves is in his second stint at the University of Arkansas. He was assistant equipment manager with the Olympic sports and football program (2010-14) and rejoined the Razorbacks in January 2019 as equipment manager, working with the men's and women's basketball teams as well as the men's and women's track & field programs.

Between his time at Arkansas, Reeves was at the University of Houston, serving as assistant athletics director for equipment operations (2014-18). In that role, he managed the daily workings with Nike and supervised a staff that handled all 17 intercollegiate sports at Houston.

Reeves, who is a native of Lexington, Ky., was an equipment manager at San Diego State (2008-12), working with the football, women's Golf, water polo and softball programs.

Reeves also has a variety of international and NFL experience under his belt. He served from 2006 to 2008 as a seasonal intern with the NFL's San Diego Chargers. Reeves joined the NFL Europe's Cologne Centurions as an assistant manager in 2006 and was promoted to head manager in 2007.

Reeves worked as an undergraduate at Kentucky from 2000 to 2005, receiving his bachelor's degree in kinesiology with a minor in business in 2005. Following his graduation, he worked as an intern for the NFL's Miami Dolphins.

He is married to the former Leslie Young. They have two Great Danes: Bulleit and Basil.





## JAKE ALBERTUS

## Arkansas Graduate Assistant 2nd Year at Arkansas Western Michigan, 2020

- · 2nd Year at Arkansas as Graduate Assistant.
- Pursuing Master's in Adult and Lifelong Learning.
- Western Michigan, 2020 (BS Sport Management, Minor in Coaching)
- Student manager for WMU Men's Basketball 2016-2020. Served as head student manager his final two years.
- Served as a Graduate Assistant for WMU Men's Basketball for the 2020-21 season.
- · Hometown: Lawrence, Mich. (Lawrence HS 2016).



## TY McHONE

Arkansas Graduate Assistant 2nd Year at Arkansas Charlotte, 2019

- · 2nd Year at Arkansas as Graduate Assistant.
- Pursuing Master's in Adult and Lifelong Learning.
- · Charlotte, 2019 (BA Communication Studies, Double minor in Africana Studies & Religious Studies)
- Student manager, social media marketing Intern and video coordinator Intern at Charlotte.
- Player Development Coach, assisting with NBA Draft Prospects (2018 & 2019).
- Assisted at Chris Paul's Elite Guard Camp held at CP3 Basketball Academy.
- Worked as a content production assistant with the NBA during 2019 All-Star Weekend.
- · Hometown: Asheville, N.C. (T.C. Roberson HS 2014).

## **MARKUS BLACK**

Arkansas Graduate Assistant 2nd Year at Arkansas Florida A&M, 2010

- 2nd Year at Arkansas as Graduate Assistant.
- Pursuing Masters in Recreation and Sports Management.
- Florida Á&M University, 2010 (BS Graphic Design)
- Head Coach at Booker High School (2016-2021) in Sarasota, Fla.
- Four-time FACA Coach of the Year (17-19, '21), FABC 6A Coach of the Year (2018), HT Preps Coach of the Year (2018) ... Coached the team to an FHSAA Final Four appearance in his second season.
- NAACP Man of Valor Award Recipient (2018).
- · Hometown: Sarasota, Fla (Booker HS 2006).

## **DOMINIC SAMANGY**

Arkansas Graduate Assistant 1st Year at Arkansas Syracuse, 2022

- 1st Year at Arkansas as Graduate Assistant.
- Pursuing Master's in Statistics and Analytics.
- Served as head student manager and data analyst for the Syracuse Men's Basketball program from 2018-2022.
- · Worked as an analytics consultant for the past two NBA Draft cycles, most recently for LIFT Sports Management in 2022.
- Won the 2022 Milwaukee Bucks' Basketball Analytics Hackathon as an undergraduate student.
- Presented academic research at the MIT Sloan Sports Analytics Conference, the Carnegie Mellon Sports Analytics Conference and more.
- Twin brother Gabe, who was also a manager at St. John's (NY), is now a GA for Duquesne Men's Basketball.
- Hometown: Monaca, PA (Central Valley HS 2018).

## **TREY SMITH**

Arkansas Graduate Assistant 2nd Year at Arkansas Findlay, 2020

- · 2nd Year at Arkansas as Graduate Assistant.
- Pursuing Master's in Adult and Lifelong Learning.
- Western Michigan, 2020 (BS Sport Management, Minor in Coaching)
- Student manager for 1st Year at Arkansas as Graduate Assistant.
- Pursuing Master's in Adult and Lifelong Learning.
- Findlay, 2020 (BS Strength and Conditioning)
- Spent one season as an assistant coach at the University of Findlay.
- Four-year letterman at the University of Findlay (2016-19). Was first team All Great-Midwest Athletic Conference and first team All-Defense following the 2018-19 season ... Lead the conference in minutes played (31.3 per game) ... Shot 43.5 percent from 3-point range as a senior and ranked sixth in his league by making 77 triples for the season.
- · Hometown: Ashland, Ohio (Ashland HS 2015). WMU Men's Basketball 2016-2020. Served as head student manager his final two years.
- Served as a Graduate Assistant for WMU Men's Basketball for the 2020-21 season.
- · Hometown: Lawrence, Mich. (Lawrence HS 2016).

## **CAMDEN TAYLOR**

Arkansas Graduate Assistant 2nd Year at Arkansas North Carolina A&T, 2019

- · 2nd Year at Arkansas as Graduate Assistant.
- · Pursuing Master's in Adult and Lifelong Learning.
- · North Carolina A&T State University, 2019 (BS in Business Administration)
- Spent one year as a manager at NCAT (2019-2020) and one year as a graduate assistant at NCAT (2020-2021).
- · Played on state Final Four basketball team as a senior at Eastmoor Academy High School.
- Father, Sean Taylor recorded over 300 wins as a head coach at Northland High School in Columbus, Ohio.
- · Hometown: Columbus, Ohio (Eastmoor Academy HS 2015).





Arkansas Graduate Assistant 1st Year at Arkansas Cal State Fullerton, 2022

- 1st Year at Arkansas as Graduate Assistant.
- Pursuing Master's in Adult and Lifelong Learning.
- · Spent three seasons as an assistant coach at Long Beach Poly HS .. Assisted in player development, defensive strategy, in-game adjustments, opponent scouting and contributed to the growth of our social media accounts ... The Jackrabbits were three-time League champions ... Coached multiple players that moved on to play collegiately including McDonald's All-American Peyton Watson, who spent one season at UCLA before being a 2022 NBA first round draft pick.
- Student Manager at Cal State Fullerton for two years ... Responsibilities included player development coach and co-director of summer camps as well as assisting in the set up and breakdown of practice ... Worked with two-time, first team All-Big West Selection Kyle Allman Jr.
- · AAU Coach for BTI on the Adidas circuit and West Coast Elite on the Under Armour circuit.
- Assisted in NBA predraft workouts in 2019 & 2022
- Played college basketball at Willamette University in 2017.
- Hometown: Long Beach, Calif. (Long Beach Poly HS 2016).







## **Managers**



**CHASE BARAJAS** 

Arkansas Manger 2nd Year with Arkansas Basketball Allen, Texas



**JONATHAN BRYE** 

Arkansas Manger 2nd Year with Arkansas Basketball Farmington, Ark.



**CHARLES DANIEL** 

Arkansas Manger 3rd Year with Arkansas Basketballs Little Rock, Ark.



**ALEX EDMINSTON** 

Arkansas Manger 2nd Year with Arkansas Basketball Prairie Grove, Ark.



**JAKE GATHRIGHT** 

Arkansas Manger 1st Year with Arkansas Basketball



**WILL KLEINE** 

Arkansas Manger 3rd Year with Arkansas Basketball Little Rock, Ark.



**JACOB McMULLEN** 

Arkansas Manger 1st Year with Arkansas Basketballs



**ANDREW REEG** 

Arkansas Manger 2nd Year with Arkansas Basketball Lake Geneva, Wis.



**RYAN REEG** 

Arkansas Manger 2nd Year with Arkansas Basketball Lake Geneva, Wis.



**SETH ROSENFELD** 

Arkansas Manger 2nd Year with Arkansas Basketball Fayetteville, Ark.



**JOSH ROBINSON** 

Arkansas Manger 1st Year with Arkansas Basketball



**HAYDEN SHIELDS** 

Arkansas Manger 1st Year with Arkansas Basketball Austin, Texas



**DANIEL SULLIVAN** 

Arkansas Manger 1st Year with Arkansas Basketball Gosnell, Ark.



**JAROD SUMMONS** 

Arkansas Manger 3rd Year with Arkansas Basketball Little Rock, Ark.



**TURNER SYMANCYK** 

Arkansas Manger 2nd Year with Arkansas Basketball Paradise Valley, Ariz.



**CARSON WITHERS** 

Arkansas Manger 1st Year with Arkansas Basketball







