

### ERIC MUSSELMAN

Under his direction, Arkansas is 1 of 4 programs to reach the NCAA Sweet 16 in each of the last three years and, with wins over #1 Gonzaga in 2022 and #1 Kansas in 2023, Arkansas is 1 of 4 programs to beat the #1 seed in their region in back-to-back years.



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### ERIC MUSSELMAN

Arkansas Head Coach  
San Diego, 1987

95-42 • 4 years at Arkansas  
205-76 • 8 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



THE MUSSELMANS: Matthew, Mariah, Eric, Danyelle, Michael

### COLLEGIATE HEAD COACHING RECORD

Year	Overall	Conf	Finish	Conf Tourn	NCAA/CBI Postseason
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
2022-23	22-14	8-10	SEC (T9th)	1-1	2-1 #8 seed / Sweet 16
Totals	205-76	95-48		10-6	15-7 (10-6 NCAA / 5-1 CBI)

\* - Tournament champion

# - 2020 SEC Tourney canceled after Rd 1





- Has won at least 20 games in each of his eight years as a collegiate head coach.
- His 95 wins in four years at Arkansas is the most by any SEC program over the span.
- Led the Hogs to three straight Sweet 16 berths, including a pair of Elite 8 appearances. Only three other schools have a current streak of at least three straight Sweet 16 appearances.
- Defeated #1 NCAA seeds in the NCAA Tournament in 2022 and 2023 to become just the fourth program ever to defeat #1 seeds in their region in back-to-back years. In 2022, Arkansas not only defeated the overall #1 seed and AP #1 Gonzaga, but the Razorbacks also beat AP #1 Auburn during the regular season.
- Is 8-3 as the Arkansas head coach in the NCAA Tournament, is 10-6 all-time in the NCAA Tournament and 25-13 all-time in the postseason (conference tournaments, CBI and NCAA).
- Has won three (Mountain West) conference titles and finished second (SEC) once.
- Led his teams to each of the last six NCAA postseason tournaments played, advancing to at least the Sweet 16 in four of the last five NCAA Tournaments held.
- Has put 11 players in the NBA since 2019.
- Has had at least one player drafted in each of the last five years - the third-best active streak. Overall, has had seven players drafted - the fourth-most in the NCAA over the last five years - including four one-and-dones, three first-rounders and two lottery picks.
- His players have led their league in scoring three times.
- Has produced four All-Americans, two Conference Players of the Year, three Conference 6th Man of the Year awards and 21 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 eight years as a collegiate head coach, Musselman's teams have won at least 20 games each year with his winning percentage of .730 ranking sixth-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 six NCAA Tournaments held (2017, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022 and 2023).

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 won over 500 games as a professional head coach with an overall winning percentage of .634 (503-291).

In four seasons at Arkansas, Musselman has returned the program to heights it had not seen since the mid-1990's. The Razorbacks have played in three-straight NCAA Sweet 16's for the first time since 1994, '95 and '96 while advancing to the Elite 8 in both 2021 and 2022.

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 in each of the last two seasons (2021-22 and 2022-23) was played. Arkansas led the NCAA in total attendance in 2020-21 and 2021-22.

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., Anthony Black and Jordan Walsh with all six recruits landing on the ESPN and SI top 100 lists. In addition, Musselman has been the standard-bearer negotiating the new landscape of NCAA basketball by landing the top transfer players in the nation in each of the last three seasons.



Jordan Walsh was the third of three Razorbacks that were 2022 McDonald's All-Americans - with Anthony Black and Nick Smith Jr. - and joined them as 2023 one-and-dones, going in the second round to Boston.



Eric Musselman was in Brooklyn to be with 2023 NBA first round draft picks Anthony Black and Nick Smith Jr.

Numerous individual honors have accompanied the teams' success under Musselman. Wolf Pack players Caleb Martin and his twin brother Cody are in their fourth 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. His Razorback teammate Mason Jones was the 2020 SEC co-Player of the Year and, after signing as a free agent, has played in the NBA with the Rockets, 76ers and Lakers. 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. During the 2022-23 season, Stanley Umude made his NBA debut with the Detroit Pistons. In the summer of 2023, Arkansas had three "one-and-dones" as Black was selected sixth in the NBA Draft (the second-highest Razorback ever selected), Smith was a first-round pick and Walsh was an early second-round pick. Arkansas tied UCLA for the most draft picks (3) and was the only program to have three players selected within the first 40 picks.

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, 21 all-conference honors have been earned by Musselman players over the last seven seasons.

### AS ARKANSAS HEAD COACH

The 2022-23 season was a roller-coaster for the Razorbacks. Entering the year with lots of preseason hype, having the second-best recruiting class thanks to three five stars and ranking among the nation's top 10. However, injuries to Nick Smith Jr. (the top-ranked high school player in the country) throughout the year and a season-ending injury to Trevon Brazile nine games into the campaign led to some inconsistency. But in typical Eric Musselman style, the program fought through the adversity and, thanks to playing one of the toughest schedules in the country, reached its third-straight NCAA Sweet 16 after defeating #1 seed Kansas in the NCAA second round and Arkansas was ranked #21 in the final coaches poll. During the year, Musselman picked up career collegiate win #200 with an 88-73 win at Kentucky.

Transfer Ricky Council IV was consensus second-team All-SEC after leading the league in free throws made and ranking third in scoring. Anthony Black was voted to the All-SEC second team (coaches), SEC All-Freshman team and a finalist for the National Freshman of the Year as he was the only player in the SEC to rank among the top 25 in scoring, rebounding, assists, steals and blocked shots. Davonte Davis added SEC All-Defensive Team honors. Council and Black added SEC weekly honors and, despite limited action, Nick Smith Jr., was a two-time SEC Freshman of the Week.

Black, Smith and fellow five-star Jordan Walsh all became "one-and-done" players, going sixth, 27th and 38th respectively in the 2023 NBA Draft. It was just the fourth time at least three Razorback teammates were taken in the same draft. Also, Arkansas and UCLA were the only programs to have three players draft with Arkansas being the only one with two - much less three - players taken inside the top 40 picks.

Year three at Arkansas (2021-22) 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 back-to-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.

### MUSSELMAN FILE

- Born: November 19, 1964 – Ashland, Ohio
- Hometown: San Diego, Calif.
- Wife: Danyelle
- Children: Michael, Matthew, Mariah
- Education: San Diego, 1987

### 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)
- 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



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



JD Notae (#1) and Jaylin Williams were both first team All-SEC in 2022. Notae added All-America honors and Williams was drafted by the Oklahoma City Thunder.

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 publications - including third team honors by AP, the Sporting News, NCAA.com and The Field of 68 - while becoming just the second Razorback to be named the USBWA District Player of the Year. He additionally was a consensus first team All-SEC pick, thanks to being SEC and National Player of the Week after 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 CollegiateInsider.com Defensive All-America team.

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. 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. When the SEC's Freshman of the Year declared for the NBA draft, Moody became the first "one-and-done" in Razorback history. Also, that 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 (2019-20), 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 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.



In his last year at Nevada, the team 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 Caleb 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 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.

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 Division I squad in the country.

Three members of the Pack earned postseason honors. Marquese 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 PROFESSIONAL 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 went on to be NBA head coaches, including Jim Boylan, Scotty Brooks and David Fitzdale.

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.

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



Eric Musselman developed Mason Jones into the 2020 Associated Press SEC Player of the Year.

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, Jamarion 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 Danyelle 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 a 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 2022-23 season  
(min 5 yrs • Division I wins)

1	Mark Few, Gonzaga	.836	688-135	24 yrs
2	Bill Self, Kansas	.769	787-237	30 yrs
3	Brian Dutcher, San Diego State	.763	151-47	6 yrs
4	John Calipari, Kentucky	.759	790-251	31 yrs
5	Chris Jans, Mississippi State	.742	164-57	7 yrs
6	<b>ERIC MUSSELMAN, ARKANSAS</b>	<b>.730</b>	<b>205-76</b>	<b>8 yrs</b>
7	Thad Matta, Butler	.725	433-172	18 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
200	02/07/23	at Kentucky (Lexington, Ky.)	88-73

#### AT ARKANSAS

1	11/05/19	Rice (Fayetteville, Ark.)	91-43
50	11/23/21	vs Cincinnati (Kansas City, Mo.)	73-67

### MUSSELMAN'S CAREER AS HEAD COACH

NOTE: Professional basketball DOES NOT count postseason toward season W-L record nor to head coach W-L record

Year	Team	League	Record	Note for the Season	Reg. Season Div./Conf. Finish	Postseason
1989-90	Rapid City	CBA	42-14	<b>MOST WINS IN CBA</b>	<b>1st</b> National Conf.	Finals (8-8) *
1991-92	Rapid City	CBA	37-19	<b>2nd-most wins in CBA</b>	<b>1st</b> National Conf.	Finals (9-7) *
1992-93	Rapid City	CBA	44-12	<b>MOST WINS IN CBA</b>	<b>1st</b> National Conf.	Conf. Finals (5-3) *
1993-94	Rapid City	CBA	37-19	<b>MOST WINS IN CBA</b>	<b>1st</b> National Conf.	Conf. Finals (5-5) *
1994-95	Rapid City	CBA	31-25	6th-most wins in CBA	5th National Conf.	Conf. 1st Rd (0-2) *
1995-96	Florida	CBA	41-15	<b>MOST WINS IN CBA</b>	<b>1st</b> National Conf.	Conf. Finals (5-3) *
1996-97	Florida	CBA	38-18	<b>2nd-most wins in CBA</b>	<b>1st</b> American Conf.	Finals (7-6) *
1995	Florida	USBL	25-2	<b>MOST WINS IN USBL</b>	<b>1st</b> Overall	Champion (1-0) *
1996	Florida	USBL	28-1	<b>MOST WINS IN USBL</b>	<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	<b>2nd-most wins in NBADL</b>	<b>1st</b> Western Conf.	Semifinals (2-3) *
2011-12	Los Angeles	D-League	38-12	<b>MOST WINS IN NBADL</b>	<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-T0 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	<b>T10th SEC</b>	<b>Canceled</b>
2020-21	Arkansas	NCAA	25-7	NCAA: 2nd in FT/11th PPG	<b>2nd SEC</b>	<b>NCAA Elite 8 (3-1)</b>
2021-22	Arkansas	NCAA	28-9	Led NCAA in FT & FTA	<b>4th SEC</b>	<b>NCAA Elite 8 (3-1)</b>
2022-23	Arkansas	NCAA	22-14	NCAA: 14th in BLKS/17th FTA	<b>T9th SEC</b>	<b>NCA Sweet 16 (2-1)</b>
2010	Dominican Team		5-1	Silver Medal Centrobasket Championship		
2011	Venezuelan Team		12-9	5th FIBA Americas Championship		
2012	Venezuelan Team		7-4	Silver Medal FIBA South American Championship		

### MUSSELMAN VS. ALL OPPONENTS

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	2-4	0-0	2-4	02/25/23
Arizona State	1-0	1-0	0-0	12/07/18
Auburn	4-2	0-0	4-2	03/09/23
Austin Peay	1-0	0-0	1-0	11/12/19
Baylor	0-2	0-0	0-2	01/28/23
Boise State	7-2	7-2	0-0	02/02/19
Bradley	2-0	1-0	1-0	12/17/22
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
Connecticut	0-1	0-0	0-1	03/23/23
Creighton	0-1	0-0	0-1	11/22/22
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	3-2	0-1	3-1	02/18/23
Fordham	1-0	0-0	1-0	11/11/22
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	3-1	0-0	3-1	02/21/23
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
Idaho	1-0	1-0	0-0	11/10/17

Opponent	Overall	Nevada	Arkansas	Last Meeting
Illinois	1-0	0-0	1-0	03/16/23
Illinois State	1-0	1-0	0-0	11/29/17
Indiana	1-0	0-0	1-0	12/29/19
Iona	1-1	1-1	0-0	11/26/16
Iowa State	0-1	0-1	0-0	03/16/17
Kansas	1-0	0-0	1-0	3/218/23
Kansas State	1-0	0-0	1-0	11/02/21
Kentucky	3-2	0-0	3-2	03/04/23
Little Rock	1-0	0-0	1-0	12/04/21
Lipscomb	1-0	0-0	1-0	12/05/20
Little Rock	1-0	1-0	0-0	11/16/18
LSU	6-4	0-0	6-4	01/24/23
Louisville	1-0	0-0	1-0	11/21/22
Loyola-Chicago	1-1	1-1	0-0	11/28/18
Loyola Marymount	1-0	1-0	0-0	11/14/16
Ole Miss	4-0	0-0	4-0	01/21/23
Massachusetts	1-0	1-0	0-0	11/23/18
Mercer	1-0	0-0	2-0	11/09/21
Mississippi State	2-4	0-0	2-4	02/11/23
Mississippi Valley	1-0	0-0	1-0	11/25/20
Missouri	6-3	0-0	6-3	01/04/23
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 Dakota State	1-0	0-0	1-0	11/07/22
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
Oakland	1-0	1-0	0-0	11/23/16
Oklahoma	1-1	0-0	1-1	12/10/22
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

Opponent	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	4-7	3-7	1-0	11/23/22
San Francisco	0-1	0-1	0-0	12/23/17
San Jose State	6-0	6-0	1-0	12/03/22
Santa Clara	2-0	2-0	0-0	11/15/17
South Carolina	3-1	0-0	3-1	02/04/23
South Dakota	1-0	0-0	1-0	11/22/19
South Dakota State	2-0	1-0	1-0	11/16/22
Southern	1-0	0-0	1-0	12/09/20
Southern Cal	1-0	1-0	0-0	12/01/18
Southern Illinois	1-0	1-0	0-0	12/22/17
Tennessee	2-4	0-0	2-4	02/28/23
Texas	1-0	1-0	0-0	03/16/18
Texas A&M	4-5	0-0	4-5	03/10/23
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
Troy	1-0	0-0	1-0	11/28/22
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
UNC Greensboro	1-0	0-0	1-0	12/06/22
UNC Asheville	1-0	0-0	1-0	12/01/22
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	3-2	0-0	3-2	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
<b>Totals</b>	<b>205-76</b>	<b>110-34</b>	<b>95-42</b>	

# KEITH SMART

**Arkansas Assistant Coach**  
**3rd 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 1997.

In two seasons at Arkansas, he has helped the Razorbacks to a pair of Sweet 16 appearances, including an Elite 8 berth, while beating the #1 seeds Gonzaga and Kansas along the way.

In his first year coaching in the collegiate ranks, Smart helped Arkansas reach the NCAA Elite and win 28 games. The Razorbacks posted an 18-4 record to close the season. Among those 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. Later in the season, 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. Year two at Arkansas saw the Razorbacks win 20-plus games once again and make a run to the NCAA Sweet 16.

His knack for player development helped JD Notae earn All-America honors in 2022 while teammate Jaylin Williams, who was recognized as one of the nation's top defensive players and a second-round draft pick by Oklahoma City, joined Notae on the All-SEC teams. In 2023, Razorback big men Makhi Mitchell shot 66.2 percent from the field and Jalen Graham shot 65.5 percent to rank fourth and seventh, respectively, on the school's single-season top 10 list.

Also, Smart showed he had what it took on the recruiting trails as Arkansas' 2022 class was the consensus #2 group in the nation. Included in that group were three five-stars and McDonald's All-Americans Anthony Black, Nick Smith Jr., and Jordan Walsh. All three would be "one-and-dones" and all three went inside the first 40 picks of the 2023 NBA Draft including Black at #6, Smith at #27 and Walsh at #38. Arkansas added a fourth McDonald's All-American as part of the 2023 signing class.

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 - that 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 as 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 is currently a senior 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 Windjammers  
 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 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)**





# ANTHONY RUTA

**Arkansas Assistant Coach  
5th Year at Arkansas  
Arizona State, 2012**



After serving three years as the Razorback men's basketball director of operations, Anthony Ruta is in his second year as an assistant coach with the Razorbacks.

Ruta has helped Arkansas reach three straight NCAA Sweet 16's, including Elite 8 berths in 2021 and 2022, and post an SEC-best 95 wins over the past four seasons. Overall, in his eight years with Musselman at both Nevada and Arkansas, the programs have won at least 20 games all eight times while playing in each of the last seven postseasons contested over the span with four Sweet 16 appearances over the last five.

In addition to team success, Arkansas has produced the 2020 SEC Player of the Year in Mason Jones, 2020 NBA second-round draft pick Isaiah Joe, 2021 NBA lottery pick Moses Moody, 2022 All-American JD Notae and 2022 second-round draft pick Jaylin Williams. Then, the 2022-23 freshman class, ranked #2 nationally, featured three McDonald's All-Americans in Anthony Black, Nick Smith Jr., and Jordan Walsh. All three were "one-and-dones" and all three were taken within the first 40 picks of the 2023 NBA Draft with Black going sixth, Smith going 27th and Walsh going 38th.

Ruta has also been in charge of putting together the Razorbacks' schedule since his arrival. 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. For 2022-23, Arkansas had the #2 Strength of Schedule in the nation, the #3 non-conference RPI and #4 non-conference Strength of Schedule.

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 program's 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 which 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)**



# TODD LEE

**Arkansas Assistant Coach**  
**2nd Year at Arkansas**  
**South Dakota, 1986**



University of Arkansas head basketball coach Eric Musselman named former University of South Dakota head basketball coach Todd Lee the Razorbacks' Director of Scouting and Assistant to the Head Coach prior to the 2022-23 season. In year two with the Razorbacks, Lee was elevated to assistant coach.

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 has ties to Northwest Arkansas as his parents - M.O. and Wanda - lived in Bentonville for over 20 years after his father retired.

In his first year at Arkansas, the Razorbacks reached the NCAA Sweet 16 and saw three players - Anthony Black, Nick Smith Jr., and Jordan Walsh - selected within the first 40 picks of the 2023 NBA Draft while consensus All-SEC pick Ricky Council IV signed with the Philadelphia 76ers.

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 Canyon (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 (2020-21), Lee guided a trio of Coyotes to All-Summit League honors in Umude (1st), A.J. Plitzuweit (1st) and Xavier Fuller (HSM). 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 program history in points.

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 honors.

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 appearances.

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.

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 Peyton.



## 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)  
 1997-2001: UC Irvine (Assistant Coach)  
 2001-2005: UC Irvine (Associate Head Coach)  
**2005-2013: Kentucky Wesleyan (Head Coach)**  
 2013-2018: Grand Canyon (Associate Head Coach)  
**2018-2022: South Dakota (Head Coach)**  
**2022-23: Arkansas (Dir. of Scouting/Asst to the HC)**  
**2023-pres.: Arkansas (Assistant Coach)**

### HEAD COACHING RECORD

Year	School	All/Conf	NCAA 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

# MICHAEL MUSSELMAN

**Arkansas Assistant Coach / Director of Recruiting**  
**5th Year at Arkansas**  
**San Diego State, 2018**



Michael Musselman has worn many hats in his first four years at Arkansas and saw his role change once again in year five (2023-24). He was initially hired as director of recruiting (2019-20 season), added the title of assistant director of basketball operations (2020-21) and was promoted to Director of Basketball Operations on May 10, 2022. He was elevated to an assistant coach position prior to the 2023-24 season. Throughout his tenure, Musselman has led the men's basketball recruiting efforts.

Musselman also served on the staff for the Cleveland Cavaliers NBA summer league team, which won the championship.

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 SI.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. Three from that class - Black, Smith and Walsh - were "one-and-dones" and were selected in the 2023 NBA Draft. Arkansas and UCLA were the only programs with three players selected in the 2023 draft but Arkansas was the only program with two - much less three - taken inside the top 40 picks.

The Razorbacks backed that up by signing 2023 McDonald's All-American Baye Faly and top 40 recruit Layden Blocker.

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 Khalel 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.



## THE MUSSELMAN FILE

### PERSONAL

Hometown: Diablo, Calif. (Monte Vista HS)  
 Alma Mater: San Diego, 2018

### COACHING EXPERIENCE

2018-19: Nevada (Graduate Assistant)  
 2019-20: Arkansas (Director of Recruiting)  
 2020-21: Arkansas (Dir. of Recruiting/Asst. Dir. of Ops)  
 2021-22: Arkansas (Director of Operations)  
 2023-pres.: Arkansas (Asst. Coach  
 Dir. of Recruiting)



## RONNIE BREWER

**Arkansas Assistant Coach / Recruiting Coordinator**  
**3rd Year at Arkansas**  
**Arkansas, 2015**



Razorback All-American and former NBA first-round draft pick Ronnie Brewer Jr., joined the Razorback men's basketball staff as recruiting coordinator on July 20, 2021. Two years later, prior to the 2023-24 campaign, he added assistant coach duties to his resume.

He made an immediate impact in his first year (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. Three of those - Anthony Black (#6), Nick Smith Jr. (#27) and Jordan Walsh (#38) - were "one-and-dones" and Arkansas was one of two programs with three players drafted in 2023 but the only school with two - much less three - taken inside the top 40. In year two in the role, Arkansas landed its fourth McDonald's All-American in two years in Baye Fall while Layden Blocker was a consensus top 40 recruit.

In addition to his recruiting duties, Brewer oversees the team's community service efforts as he has been and continues to be entrenched in the Northwest Arkansas community.

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.



### THE BREWER FILE

#### PERSONAL

Hometown: Fayetteville, Ark. (Fayetteville HS)  
 Alma Mater: Arkansas, 2015

#### COACHING EXPERIENCE

2018-20: 16-Under Woodz Elite (Assistant Coach)  
 2020-21: 16-Under Woodz Elite (Head Coach)  
 2019-21: Fayetteville HS (Assistant Coach)  
**2021-23: Arkansas (Recruiting Coordinator)**  
**2023-pres.: Arkansas (Assistant Coach**  
**- Recruiting Coord.)**

#### PRO PLAYING CAREER

**2006 NBA Lottery Pick (14th overall)**  
 2006-10: Utah Jazz  
 2010: Memphis Grizzlies  
 2010-12: Chicago Bulls  
 2012-13: New York Knicks  
 2013: Oklahoma City Thunder  
 2013-14: Houston Rockets  
 2014: Chicago Bulls  
 2015-16: Santa Cruz Warriors (G League)

# RILEY HALL

**Arkansas Director of Internal Operations**  
**8th Year at Arkansas**  
**Arkansas, 2016**



Riley Hall has served many functions in his eight years with the Razorbacks. After being a student-manager, he spent two seasons as a graduate assistant, three seasons as video coordinator and, in 2021-22, took on the role as director of internal operations.

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, summer camps and all things related to the internal operations of the basketball program.

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, Ark., 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**  
**2nd 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.

In his first year with the Razorbacks, Arkansas reached the NCAA Sweet 16 and had three players - Anthony Black, Nick Smith Jr., and Jordan Walsh - drafted within the first 40 picks of the 2023 NBA Draft. Off the court, Arkansas inked McDonald's All-American Baye Fall and consensus top-40 recruit Layden Blocker while bringing in one of the top-5 transfer portal classes.

Wetherington came to Arkansas after spending the last four years at Iowa State. This past season, he was elevated to recruiting and scouting coordinator where he assisted the staff in developing and maintaining Iowa 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 advancing 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 Iowa State in the summer of 2020.





# MATT WHITE

**Arkansas Senior Advisor to the Head Coach  
1st Year at Arkansas  
Boston University, 1993**



Matt White as announced as the men's basketball senior advisor to the head coach prior to the 2023-24 season.

White, a businessman and leadership author, worked in a similar capacity at Nevada during head coach Eric Musselman's four seasons with the Wolf Pack (2015-2019). In that span, Nevada won a CBI Championship, played in three NCAA Tournaments, won three Mountain West championships and won 24-plus games each year. After Musselman left, White went on to become Chairman of the Advisory Board for Friends of The Pack, the first significant name, image, and likeness collective supporting men's and women's sports at Nevada.

Since, 2005, White has served as the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Basin Street Properties. Basin Street is a fully integrated commercial real estate investment company committed to creating a superior tenant experience. The company owns and manages over five million square feet of commercial real estate in Northern California and Northern Nevada.

In 2016, White authored and published the business leadership book, Leading With Courage: Daily Reminders for the Decision Maker.

White earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Boston University (1993).

White's past community involvement includes coaching his children's - Emily and Zach - high school basketball teams, serving on the Board of Trustees of Lake Tahoe School and supporting other regional high school and college athletics programs and children's charities. He is also an avid cyclist, skier and golfer.



# CALEB CLINE

**Arkansas Assistant Director of Operations  
4th Year at Arkansas  
South Dakota, 2020**



After serving two seasons (2020-22) as a graduate assistant, 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. Arkansas advanced to the Sweet 16 in his third year with the Razorbacks while three players were taken in the NBA Draft - Anthony Black (1st round, 6th pick), Nick Smith Jr. (1st round, 27th pick) and Jordan Walsh (2nd round, 38th pick).

A native of LeMars, Iowa, Cline played for current Razorback staffer Todd Lee and played with former Razorback Stanley Umude at the University of South Dakota. He graduated from USD 2020 with a B.S. in kinesiology and sport management with a coaching minor.



# TOMMY ABDENOUR

**Arkansas Special Assistant to the Head Coach  
1st Year at Arkansas  
Utah, 2012**



Tommy Abdenour was named special assistant to the head coach in the summer of 2023.

Abdenour, who worked five years in the G-League with Santa Cruz and Rapid City, spent the past four seasons as an assistant coach at Lindenwood. This past season - the Lions' first as NCAA Division I members, Lindenwood led the OVC in free-throw percentage (75.6) and rank second in the OVC in three-point percentage (39.1). Chris Childs held the top spot in the league with a free-throw percentage of 92.7, while Keenon Cole was atop the OVC with a three-point percentage of 51.0 percent.

For Lindenwood's final year in DII, the Lions led the nation in free throw percentage (.811) and were 20th in turnovers forced (10.4/gm). The 2020-21 season was shortened due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Lions went 10-10 on the season, including a 10-9 mark in the Great Lakes Valley Conference (GLVC). Lindenwood led the league with an average of 81.9 points per game, with the help of a conference-leading free throw percentage of 80.1.

In that shortened 2020-21 season, the Lions were led by TJ Crockett who paced the GLVC by more than eight points per game with is 27.5 average per contest. Crockett was named a D2CCA All-American as he was one of the nation's leading scorers across all levels of collegiate basketball. Crockett was a unanimous first-team all-GLVC selection, as he added four GLVC Player of the Week honors during the year.

In 2019-20, Abdenour helped coach the team to a strong offense, as the team was ranked second in the GLVC in points per game as a unit, putting up 81.2 points per game. The team also was one of the better squads at limiting turnovers, as the team finished fourth in the conference with a +2.54 turnover margin. The Lions closed out the season with wins in three of their final four games, all of which came at home.

Prior to his time at Lindenwood, Abdenour coached at various levels of basketball. Abdenour spent two seasons (2018 and 2019) as the head coach of the NBA 2K's Warriors Gaming Squad, where he was a 2019 Coach of the Year finalist. While coaching with the Warriors Gaming Squad, Abdenour developed game plans which included individual player scouting reports and both offensive and defensive schemes. Abdenour managed the game by calling plays and timeouts, diagramming plays, and employing in-game adjustments for his team's offensive and defensive sets. Additionally, Abdenour was tasked with the direction of video sessions for both self-scouting review and opponent scouting. He led his team to a pair in in-season tournaments, a first by any NBA 2K team.

Abdenour also spent two seasons (2017-18 and 2018-19) as a special assistant to the head coach and a video coordinator assistant coach for the Santa Cruz Warriors of the NBA G League. Abdenour helped guide Santa Cruz to the best record in the G League during the 2018-19 campaign and a Western Conference Finals appearance. Abdenour was an integral part of the Warriors' coaching staff, assisting with scouting reports, play diagrams, and game plan preparation.

Before arriving in Santa Cruz, Abdenour spent three years (2014-17) in various roles with the Grand Rapids Drive of the NBA G League. Abdenour served as a video coordinator, assistant coach, and a coaching associate during his time with the Drive.

Over his five-year tenure in the NBA G League, Abdenour has coached 50 players who have played in the NBA including 15 NBA call ups and one player drafted into the NBA. A few players include 2019-2020 NBA Rookie of the Year Finalist Kendrick Nunn, Spencer Dinwiddie, Georges Niang, Lorenzo Brown, CJ Wilcox, Quinn Cook, Juan Toscano-Anderson, and Jordan Crawford.

Abdenour was a member of the staff at NCAA Division I Central Michigan, where he worked alongside Kyle Gerdeman, during the 2012-13 and 2013-14 seasons. Abdenour arrived at Central Michigan as a graduate intern in 2012-13, before elevating to the position of video coordinator during the 2013-14 campaign.

Abdenour was a student manager at the University of Utah from 2008-11 and graduated in 2012 with a bachelor's degree in sports management. Abdenour earned his master's degree in education from the University of Washington in 2013. His father, Tom Abdenour, is a longtime athletic trainer who worked with both Musselman and Keith Smart during elder Abdenour's 24 years with the Golden State Warriors.

# RYAN WITTOFF

**Arkansas Coordinator of Creative Content  
1st Year at Arkansas  
Florida State, 2022**



Ryan Wittoff was tabbed the coordinator of creative content for the Razorback in the summer of 2023.

He is in charge of overseeing and producing content for the men's basketball social media platforms. With his background in graphic design, photography and videography, he will combine digital content with the program's recruiting strategies.

Wittoff comes to Fayetteville after serving as the manager of creative content for the Florida State men's basketball program for four seasons. He created and maintained a visual brand by overseeing the graphic, photo and video content on social media and recruiting for the program. In his role, he assisted with the management of social media, served as the team photographer and assembled all forms of graphics associated with the program.

During his time, the Seminoles reached the Sweet 16 twice (2019 and 2020). The 2019-20 team finished fourth in the final AP poll and produced two NBA lottery picks. His content ranked in the top ten college programs in generating engagements on social media.

Wittoff has worked with several NBA players, including the likes of Scottie Barnes, Devin Vassell, Patrick Williams and Trent Forrest, and helped in strategizing their social media image as well as supplying them with content to post on their platforms.

Wittoff is originally from Marco Island, Fla., and graduated from Florida State University in December of 2022. He received a B.S. in sport management and his is pursuing a master's degree in sport management.



# DAVE RICHARDSON

**Arkansas Head Strength & Conditioning Coach**  
**6th Year at Arkansas**  
**Louisiana-Monroe, 1989**



Dave Richardson is in his sixth 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-Americans and nine 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; 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; current Thunder forward Jaylin Williams; Stanley Umude; Anthony Black, who was the sixth overall pick by Orlando in 2023; Nick Smith Jr., who was a first-round pick of the Hornets in 2023; Jordan Walsh, who was a second-round pick by Boston in 2023; and 2023 free agent Ricky Council IV (76ers).

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 his final season in Columbus. 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 Louisiana-Monroe.

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.



# MATT TOWNSEND

**Arkansas Head Athletic Trainer**  
**4th Year at Arkansas**  
**Washington State, 2015**



Matt Townsend is in his fourth year at the University of Arkansas and second 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, adding an appearance in the Sweet 16 in 2023.

Prior to Arkansas, Townsend spent two seasons (2014-19) 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 his bachelor's in athletic training. He served as an intern in the summer of 2015 working with the Cougars' baseball and volleyball programs.



# DANIEL REEVES

**Arkansas Equipment Manager  
10th 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: Bullet and Basil.

# JACOB HOOPS

**Arkansas Assistant Director of Academics  
10th 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. He 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 served 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.

# CHARLOTTE McINTYRE

**Arkansas Sports Dietitian  
1st Year at Arkansas  
Carroll College, 2016**



Charlotte McIntyre is in her first season with Razorback Athletics. She is as the Dietitian for the men's and women's basketball programs as well as the men's and women's tennis teams.

McIntyre came to Arkansas after serving as the director of sports nutrition for Wyoming athletics for the 2022-23 campaign. Prior to that, she was a sports nutrition fellow at Auburn (2021-22) and sports nutrition intern at Bradley (2019-21). Also in 2019, McIntyre was a sports nutrition intern in the Indiana athletics department and within the Chicago Cubs baseball organization.

McIntyre received a BA in both health and science and public health from Carroll College in 2016. She added a BS and AS in culinary Arts and Culinary Nutrition from Johnson & Wales (Denver, Colo.) in 2019. In 2021, she received her Master's degree at Bradley in nutrition and wellness.



### ALEC KAGAN

Arkansas Graduate Assistant  
1st Year at Arkansas  
Cincinnati, 2018

- Pursuing Master's in Physical Education.
- Previous experience includes being a team attendant with the Fort Wayne Mad Ants & Indiana Fever (2022-23); being a volunteer assistant coach at with the Fordham men's basketball team (202-21) and being a team manager for the Cincinnati men's program (2016-17).
- Played Basketball at Cincinnati-Clermont (2018-2020) where he served as team captain and earned USCAA Academic All-American honors.
- Graduated magna cum laude from the University of Cincinnati in 2018 with a B.S. in Interdisciplinary Studies. He received a M.S. in Sport Administration from Cincinnati in 2019.
- Hometown: Cincinnati, Ohio. (Seven Hills HS - 2013).



### JACKSON LEE

Arkansas Graduate Assistant  
1st Year at Arkansas  
Dordt, 2023

- Pursuing Master's in Physical Education.
- Was the club basketball coach for Play4Him Academy, a 16U and 17U high school boys team.
- Played Basketball at Dordt University .... Made the Round of 32 in the 2023 NAIA National Tournament.
- Son of Razorback staffer Todd Lee.
- Graduated from Dordt in 2023 with a B.A. in Sports Management.
- Hometown: Chandler, Ariz. (Seton Catholic Prep - 2019).



### MATTHEW MUSSELMAN

Arkansas Graduate Assistant  
1st Year at Arkansas  
San Diego, 2023

- Pursuing Master's in Adult and Lifelong Learning.
- Coached grades 3-8 while at San Diego.
- Son of Razorback head coach Eric Musselman.
- Graduated from San Diego in 2023 with a B.A. in Communications.
- Hometown: San Diego, Calif. (Monte Vista (Danville, Calif.) HS - 2019).



### TONY HALL

Arkansas Graduate Assistant  
1st Year at Arkansas  
Arkansas Tech, 2021

- Pursuing Master's in Adult and Lifelong Learning.
- For the season of 2022-23, head of middle school basketball program and assistant men's varsity basketball coach for Holland Hall HS (Tulsa, Okla.) ... Managed the team's social media and was video coordinator while assisting with scouting and player development.
- Played three seasons at Arkansas Tech (2019-22) after playing his first two years at Northern Oklahoma College-Enid ... Led the Wonder Boys in scoring (13.7 avg.) and rebounding (7.4 ag.) as a senior (2021-22) and was voted All-Great American Conference Honorable Mention ... Was named NJCAA All-Region at NOC-Enid.
- Graduated from Arkansas Tech in 2021 with a B.S. in Criminal Justice.
- Hometown: Broken Arrow, Okla. (Broken Arrow HS - 2018).



### AUSTIN HOWARD

Arkansas Graduate Assistant  
1st Year at Arkansas  
Univ. of Charleston (W. Va.), 2018

- Pursuing Master's in Operations Management.
- Was an assistant Coach at Louisville's Fern Creek High School for two seasons (2019-2022) and an assistant coach at Kentucky Wesleyan for one season (2022-23).
- Played basketball at Parkland College for two seasons (2014-16) where he averaged 14 points and shot 43 percent from 3-point range ... Earned first team All-Conference while leading the team to a NJCAA tournament appearance ... Played one season at the University of Maine (2016-17) ... Spent his final collegiate season at University of Charleston (2017-18) and averaged 11.3 points while shooting 37.5 percent from the 3-point distance.
- Graduated from Charleston (W. Va.) in 2018 with a B.A. in Communications.
- Hometown: Louisville, Ky. (Louisville Eastern HS - 2014).



### REID ROBERTS

Arkansas Graduate Assistant  
1st Year at Arkansas  
FIU, 2022

- Pursuing Master's in Sport Management.
- Served as a graduate assistant for the men's basketball program at the University of Louisiana-Monroe (2022-23) ... Assisted with player development, produced team itineraries for road trips and assisted with game film breakdown.
- Was a member of the game day communications staff for the Miami Heat and Miami Dolphins for three seasons (2019-22) and the Tampa Bay Buccaneers for one season (2017-18) ... Also worked as a communications intern with the Bucs' during 2018 training camp.
- Spent three seasons as a student manager for the men's basketball program at Florida International University (2019-22).
- Was a student member of the sports information department for the University of Tampa Athletics working with men's basketball, women's soccer and volleyball ... Assisted with social media campaigns, graphic design projects and was a basketball team statistician for the Tampa Spartans (2018-19).
- Training Camp Communications Intern with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers for one season (2018).
- Graduated from Florida International University in 2022 with a B.S. in Recreation & Sport Management.
- Hometown: Atlanta, Ga. (Brookwood HS - 2017).



### JONATHAN STEELMAN

Arkansas Graduate Assistant  
1st Year at Arkansas  
Wofford, 2023

- Pursuing Master's in Adult and Lifelong Learning.
- Played collegiately at Wofford College, finishing all four seasons with a winning record and celebrating wins at No. 17 North Carolina in 2019, at Georgia in 2021 and at Texas A&M in 2022.
- Graduated from Wofford in 2023 with a B.A. in Finance.
- Hometown: Aiken, S.C. (North Augusta HS - 2019).



### JOEY WHITE

Arkansas Graduate Assistant  
1st Year at Arkansas  
Saint Mary's Univ. (Minn.), 2023

- Pursuing Master's in Operations Management.
- Played collegiately at Saint Mary's University of Minnesota for four years (2019-2023) ... Was a part of one of the winningest teams in school history during the 2022-23 season and was named to the NABC honors court.
- Assisted the Saint Mary's University of Minnesota coaching staff with analytical reports and models during Senior season.
- Graduated from Saint Mary's in 2023 with a B.A. in Business Intelligence & Data Analytics.
- Hometown: Fountain City, Wis. (Cochrane-Fountain City HS - 2019).



# ARKANSAS RAZORBACKS

RAZORBACK COACHES/STAFF

MANAGERS



**KAI CONDLEY**

1st Year with Arkansas Basketball  
Hot Springs, Ark.



**CHARLES DANIEL**

4th Year with Arkansas Basketball  
Little Rock, Ark.



**JACOB GATHRIGHT**

2nd Year with Arkansas Basketball  
Bentonville, Ark.



**CADE HOGAN**

1st Year with Arkansas Basketball  
Decatur, Texas



**WILL KLEINE**

4th Year with Arkansas Basketball  
Little Rock, Ark.



**PEYTON LEE**

1st Year with Arkansas Basketball  
Chandler, Ariz.



**JACOB McMULLEN**

2nd Year with Arkansas Basketball  
Dripping Spring, Texas



**BAUER PATTON**

1st Year with Arkansas Basketball  
Memphis, Tenn.



**ANDREW REEG**

2nd Year with Arkansas Basketball  
Lake Geneva, Wis.



**RYAN REEG**

2nd Year with Arkansas Basketball  
Lake Geneva, Wis.



**HARPER ROREX**

1st Year with Arkansas Basketball  
Imoden, Ark.



**SETH ROSENFELD**

3rd Year with Arkansas Basketball  
Fayetteville, Ark.



**HAYDEN SHIELDS**

2nd Year with Arkansas Basketball  
Dripping Springs, Texas



**DANIEL SULLIVAN**

2nd Year with Arkansas Basketball  
Blytheville, Ark.



**TURNER SMYMANCYK**

3rd Year with Arkansas Basketball  
Paradise Valley, Ark.



**MICHAEL TOMPKINS**

1st Year with Arkansas Basketball  
San Diego, Calif.



**CARSON WITHERS**

2nd Year with Arkansas Basketball  
Benton, Ark.