Jay Goble is in his seventh season as head coach of the Baylor women's golf program. Just six years into his first collegiate head coaching job, Goble has built Baylor into one of the nation’s top programs, leading the Bears to unprecedented heights.

Goble has coached the only four All-Americans in program history, led Baylor to its first conference championship, first NCAA Regional title and the best NCAA Championship finish in program history. Three of his six teams have advanced to the NCAA Championship, and in two other seasons the Bears came up one and two strokes short, respectively.

Additionally, Goble has coached six different players to 10 total Big 12 All-Tournament Team honors and six different players to a total of nine all-Big 12 team selections. He coached the program’s first Big 12 Player of the Year and twice guided BU players to Big 12 Freshman of the Year recognition. Five Baylor players have won six total Big 12 Golfer of the Month awards during his six seasons at the helm. Fifteen different players have been named to the Academic All-Big 12 Team a total of 27 times, and nine different players have earned WGCA All-American Scholar Team recognition a total of 17 times.

The 2016-17 Baylor squad returned to the NCAA Championship for the fourth time in program history and advanced to the match play quarterfinals, becoming one of five teams nationally to make match play in two of the last three seasons. BU took fourth place at the NCAA Athens Regional and seventh place in NCAA Championship stroke play. Baylor faced Stanford in a rematch of the 2015 national title match, and the Bears again fell in the final match, 3-2.

Goble guided junior Amy Lee to a program-record 72.17 stroke average in 2016-17, helping her become Baylor’s first Big 12 Player of the Year and the fourth All-American in program history. Sophomore Dylan Kim won the Big 12 Championship individual title, and freshman Fiona Liddell joined Kim on the Big 12 All-Tournament Team. The success carried over into the classroom, where for a fourth consecutive season the Bears had at least three players named Academic All-Big 12 Team – Maggie Beth Byers, Kim and Liddell.

Baylor’s 2015-16 team played one of the nation’s toughest schedules and narrowly missed earning an NCAA Tournament berth for an eighth consecutive season. Laura Lonardi posted a 72.39 stroke average, which was second-best in a season in school history, helping her become the third Baylor player to earn All-America honors. Lonardi competed as an individual and took fifth place in the NCAA Bryan Regional, helping her become the first player in program history to advance through NCAA Regionals to the NCAA Championship while competing as an individual.

A school-record five players picked up 2016 WGCA All-America Scholar recognition, with Byers, Lonardi, Giovana Maymon, Natalia Perez and Lauren Whyte all recognized. Additionally, Lonardi repeated as the Big 12 Scholar-Athlete of the Year for a second straight season.

Goble’s 2014-15 squad easily claimed the title of best team in program history. In addition to claiming three tournament titles – Northrup Grumman Regional Challenge, Big 12 Championship and NCAA San Antonio Regional – the team also finished as the national runner-up after falling to Stanford in a sudden death playoff during the NCAA Championship title match.

For his efforts, Goble was named 2015 Big 12 Conference Coach of the Year and WGCA Central Region Coach of the Year. The 2014-15 squad was led by a pair of All-Americans and All-Big 12 selections in Hayley Davis and Kim. Davis and Kim were joined by Lonardi to give the Bears three Big 12 All-Tournament Team honorees, and Kim was selected Big 12 Freshman of the Year.

In his third year, Goble led Baylor to a tournament title at the 2014 Dallas Athletic Club Invitational, and the Bears finished in third place at the Big 12 Championship. Following the season, BU had three players named WGCA All-American Scholars – Lonardi, Byers and Perez.

Goble led the 2013-14 team to within two strokes of another championship berth with a 10th-place finish at the 2014 NCAA East Regional in Tallahassee, Fla.

The 2012-13 team took first at the Hurricane Invitational and placed second at four more tournaments (Palmigian Ram Fall Classic, Tar Heel Invitational, Rebel Intercollegiate and Big 12 Conference Championship). The second-place finish at the Big 12 Championship was the best in program history at the time.

Goble guided freshman Lauren Taylor to the conference’s Freshman of the Year award and two Big 12 Golfer of the Month selections. Davis repeated as an All-American, and she joined Taylor in earning All-Big 12 recognition, and Perez was named a WGCA All-American Scholar.

Goble led the Bears within a stroke of earning an NCAA Championship berth after a ninth-place finish at the 2013 NCAA West Regional in Stanford, Calif.

In his first year in Waco, Goble led the Lady Bears to what was then the best season in program history and coached the program’s first-ever All-American, Davis.

Goble’s first BU squad tied for 16th at the 2012 NCAA Championship in Franklin, Tenn., topping the previous best finish in program history. The 2011-12 team also earned three tournament wins – the Dick McGuire Invitational, Price’s “Give ‘Em Five” Intercollegiate and the Rebel Intercollegiate – and had three more top-three finishes. Additionally, two Baylor golfers earned All-Big 12 honors (Chelsey Cothran, Davis), two garnered WGCA All-West Region accolades (Davis, Jaclyn Jansen) and two were named Big 12 Golfers of the Month (Davis, Jansen).

After finishing third at the 2012 Big 12 Championship (matching then-best in program history), Baylor broke school NCAA Regional records for 18-, 36- and 54-hole lows on its way to tying for fifth at the NCAA West Regional in Erie, Colo. The regional performance was enough to earn the second NCAA Championship berth in program history.

Goble arrived in Waco after three seasons as the assistant coach at Southeastern Conference power Florida. Goble also previously served as an instructor at the prestigious IMG David Leadbetter Golf Academy in Bradenton, Fla.

Prior to coming to Baylor, Goble helped Florida to a 10th-place (tie) finish at the 2011 NCAA Women’s Golf Championships in College Station, Texas. It marked the program’s 18th top 10 national finish all-time, its highest since a ninth-place showing in 2008, and allowed the tradition-rich program a return to the national spotlight after missing the NCAA field the previous two seasons. Florida finished among the top 10 at nine of 12 tournaments it competed in during the 2010-11 season, including four top-10 finishes and a victory in its own 17-team SunTrust Gator Women’s Golf Invitational.

The 2009-10 UF women’s golf team claimed five top-five finishes and only finished outside of the top 10 in two of its 12 tournaments, thanks in part to Goble’s coaching. The Gators claimed the team title at the Central District Invitational, marking their first tournament win in over a year, and posted a team stroke average of 75.7.

Goble’s tenure at the David Leadbetter Golf Academy proved to be a valuable asset to the Florida program in recruiting, as five members of the Gators’ 2010-11 roster attended the Academy. He mentored All-American and All-SEC selection Jessica Yadloczky and All-SEC freshman team member Evan Jensen.

In addition to his UF coaching duties, Goble served as the Junior Golf Academy Director for the Gators’ program. In this role, he helped make the junior golf academies among the nation’s finest.

Goble, who worked at Leadbetter from 2004 until joining the UF staff on July 1, 2008, has also served as Golf Professional at The Club at Olde Cypress in Naples, Fla., and The Preserve Golf Club in Bradenton, Fla.

A four-year scholarship player at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte from 1996 to 2000, Goble played on numerous professional tours throughout the Southeast United States as well as U.S. Open qualifiers. In 2003, Goble claimed a 72-stroke scoring average in the Southwest Florida chapter of the PGA.

The Charlotte, N.C., native is married to the former Jamie Lowe, and they have a son, Gannon.
HEAD COACH JAY GOBLE

THE GOBLE FILE

PERSONAL
Family:  Wife, Jamie; Son, Gannon

EDUCATION
Alma Mater:  UNC Charlotte, 2000

PLAYING EXPERIENCE
1996-2000  UNC Charlotte

COACHING EXPERIENCE
2004-08  IMG Leadbetter Golf Academy, instructor
2008-11  Florida, assistant coach
2011-  Baylor, head coach

POSTSEASON EXPERIENCE
2009  NCAA East Regional (16th); assistant coach, Florida
2010  NCAA East Regional (11th); assistant coach, Florida
2011  NCAA East Regional (7th); assistant coach, Florida
NCAA Championship (10th); assistant coach, Florida
2012  NCAA West Regional (15th); head coach, Baylor
NCAA Championship (16th); head coach, Baylor
2013  NCAA West Regional (9th); head coach, Baylor
2014  NCAA East Regional (10th); head coach, Baylor
2015  NCAA San Antonio Regional (1st); head coach, Baylor
NCAA Championship (2nd); head coach, Baylor
2017  NCAA Athens Regional (4th); head coach, Baylor
NCAA Championship (15th); head coach, Baylor

ALL-AMERICANS

BAYLOR
2012  Hayley Davis
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2015  Dylan Kim
2016  Laura Lonardi
2017  Amy Lee

TEAM TITLES AS HEAD COACH

BAYLOR
Date Tournament Course Site Score Margin of Victory
Sept. 26, 2011 Dick McGuire Invitational Championship GC at UNM Albuquerque, N.M. 294-298-295=887 +4
Oct. 11, 2011 Price’s “Give ‘Em Five” NMSU Golf Course Las Cruces, N.M. 288-286-286=860 +1
April 8, 2012 Rebel Intercollegiate Ole Miss GC Oxford, Miss. 292-285-294 = 871 + 8
Feb. 5, 2013 Hurricane Invitational Deering Bay Yacht & CC Coral Gables, Fl. 296-298-296 = 883 + 4
April 6, 2014 Dallas Athletic Club Invitational Dallas Athletic Club Dallas, Texas 294-297-291 = 882 + 4
Feb. 10, 2015 Northrup Grumman Regional Challenge Palos Verdes GC Los Angeles, Calif. 281-289-283 = 853 + 4
April 6, 2015 Big 12 Championship Dominion GC San Antonio, Texas 282-291-284 = 857 + 12
May 9, 2015 NCAA San Antonio Regional Briggs Ranch GC San Antonio, Texas 280-281-281 = 842 + 3
Oct. 25, 2016 Las Vegas Collegiate Showdown Boulder Creek GC Las Vegas, Nev. 273-278-275 = 826 + 8

INDIVIDUAL TITLES AS HEAD COACH

BAYLOR
Date Player Tournament Course Site Score Margin of Victory
Oct. 12, 2011 Jaclyn Jansen* Price’s “Give ‘Em Five” NMSU Golf Course Las Cruces, N.M. 70-71-70 = 211 0
April 8, 2012 Jaclyn Jansen Rebel Intercollegiate Ole Miss GC Oxford, Miss. 70-71-70 = 211 0
Feb. 26, 2013 Hayley Davis Sugar Bowl Intercollegiate English Turn Golf & CC New Orleans, La. 72-68-70 = 210 + 2
April 21, 2013 Lauren Taylor Big 12 Championship The Harvester GC Rhodes, Iowa 74-68-71 = 213 + 8
May 9, 2015 Hayley Davis NCAA San Antonio Regional Briggs Ranch GC Austin, Texas 67-68-65 = 200 + 5
Oct. 25, 2016 Amy Lee Las Vegas Collegiate Championship Boulder Creek GC Las Vegas, Nev. 68-67-135 + 1
April 23, 2017 Dylan Kim Big 12 Championship The Dominion CC San Antonio, Texas 71-75-68 = 214 + 3