

## **Q&A with new Defensive Line Coach Tom Sims**

You have recently coached in the Big 10 at Illinois and Minnesota. Are you excited to be coaching in the Big 12 Conference?

Definitely. It is college football at the highest level and I am proud to be a part of it.

Have you and your family adjusted to life in Lawrence?

It's great, but if anybody needs boxes, call me at the football office.

Who has been a major influence on your coaching career?

My parents, Tom and Barbara Sims are my biggest influence in my life. Mike Uncle Leon Simons and Jack Harbough are the coaches who influenced me most.

You played in the NFL for the Chiefs, Colts, and Vikings. What is your greatest memory as a professional football player?

Not one particular game or play, it's just the opportunity to realize that dream and reach the goal of playing in the NFL.

Who has impressed you in Spring Ball thus far?

I will keep the individuals to myself. Overall I'm impressed with our work ethic.

What can Kansas fans expect from the KU defensive line in 2009?

A unit that plays hard, and continues to improve.