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Jody Wynn Named Long Beach State Women's Basketball Head Coach

Former USC assistant becomes sixth head coach in 49er history

LONG BEACH – Jody Wynn, who spent the last five seasons as the senior assistant, recruiting coordinator and head of scouting at USC, has been named the sixth head coach in Long Beach State women's basketball history, 49er athletic director Vic Cegles announced Tuesday.

"I am pleased and excited to welcome Jody Wynn to the 49er coaching family," said Cegles. "Jody is recognized as an outstanding student of the game, a skilled recruiter and a terrific motivator who understands what it takes to win championships and compete at the highest level. Her commitment to the student-athlete experience and academic excellence is extraordinary. She is an exceptional fit for Long Beach State Athletics."

Wynn comes to The Beach with 13 years of collegiate coaching experience under her belt. While at USC, she was in charge of bringing in four nationally-ranked recruiting classes, including the No. 1-ranked group in 2006. On the court, Wynn coached seven All-Pac 10 performers, a conference freshman of the year and a WNBA draft pick.

In 2008-09, Wynn helped the Trojans advance to their first-ever Pac-10 championship game, with five players garnering all-league honors. In her first season at Troy (2004-05), USC tied for second in the conference and rolled into the NCAA Tournament for the first time since 1997, finishing the campaign ranked 22nd in the nation. One year later, the Trojans were back in the postseason, advancing to the second round.

Wynn entered the coaching ranks in 1996-97 as an assistant at Pepperdine under current USC head coach Mark Trakh. She helped the Waves to six postseason appearances, including three bids to the NCAA Tournament. In her eight seasons in Malibu, Pepperdine had six 20-win campaigns and captured four West Coast Conference championships.

The Brea, Calif., native was a four-year letterwinner and starting guard at USC from 1993-96. During her playing career, the Trojans compiled a record of 79-35 (.693), won the 1994 Pac-10 Conference championship and made three consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances. She enjoyed her best season as a junior in 1995, starting 27 games and averaging 8.2 points, 5.0 rebounds and 3.0 assists per contest.

Wynn was also a prep standout at Brea Olinda High School, where she guided the Ladycats to three California state championships. She earned CIF Southern Section and Orange County Player of the Year accolades in 1991 and 1992, while also being tabbed a *USA Today* and *Streets & Smith* honorable mention All-American.

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“I am extremely honored and fortunate for the opportunity that President Alexander and Vic Cegles have given me,” Wynn said. “There is an incredible tradition of great teams at Long Beach State and I look forward to building the program back to a championship level. I am excited for the challenges that lie ahead and hope to make the University and the city of Long Beach proud of the women’s basketball program.”

Wynn earned her bachelor’s degree in exercise science from USC in 1996 and attained a master’s in education from Pepperdine in 2000.

The former Jody Anton is married to Derek Wynn and the couple has two daughters, Jada and Kaeli.

THE WYNN FILE

Hometown

Brea, Calif.

High School

Brea Olinda

Alma Mater

USC (1996), Pepperdine (2000)

Playing Career

1993-96

USC

Coaching Career

2004-09

USC

Assistant Coach

1997-2004

Pepperdine

Assistant Coach

WYNN’S ASSISTANT COACHING LEDGER

Season	School	Overall Record	Conf. Record	Conf. Finish	Postseason
2008-09	USC	17-15	9-9	T-4th	--
2007-08	USC	18-13	10-8	T-4th	--
2006-07	USC	17-13	10-8	5th	--
2005-06	USC	19-12	11-7	T-4th	NCAA Second Round
2004-05	USC	20-11	12-6	T-2nd	NCAA Second Round
2003-04	Pepperdine	17-13	10-4	T-2nd	WNIT First Round
2002-03	Pepperdine	22-8	12-2	1st	NCAA First Round
2001-02	Pepperdine	23-8	11-3	1st	NCAA First Round
2000-01	Pepperdine	20-11	10-4	T-3rd	WNIT First Round
1999-00	Pepperdine	21-10	12-2	1st	NCAA First Round
1998-99	Pepperdine	21-9	11-3	T-1st	WNIT First Round
1997-98	Pepperdine	21-10	10-4	2nd	--
1996-97	Pepperdine	15-13	7-7	T-4th	--
13 years		251-146	135-67		8 Postseason Appearances