

2006 CONFERENCE USA COACH OF THE YEAR



JOHN **CALIPARI**

COACHES AND STAFF





MEMPHIS COACHES/STAFF




Seventh Season
148-59 at Memphis
Clarion State, 1982

HEAD COACH


John Calipari




Seventh Season
Massachusetts, 1995

ASSISTANT COACH

Derek Kellogg

Second Season
Denison, 1986

ASSISTANT COACH

John Robic




First Season
Monmouth, 1993

ASSISTANT COACH

Chuck Martin




Fifth Season
Youngstown State, 2000

COORDINATOR OF BASKETBALL OPERATIONS



Andy Allison




Third Season
Memphis, 1999

DIRECTOR OF PERFORMANCE ENHANCEMENT

Richard Hogans

First Season
DePaul

DIR. OF STUDENT-ATHLETE DEV./MANAGER

Rod Strickland




First Season
Memphis, 2002

ADMINISTRATIVE ASST./VIDEO COORDINATOR

Shyrone Chatman

Coaches/Staff

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Head Coach

Seventh Season

At Memphis: 148-59 (.715)/6 yrs.

Overall: 341-130 (.724)/14 yrs.

Clarion State, 1982

He's won over 70 percent of his games as a collegiate head coach. He's won over 71 percent of his games during his first six seasons as the head coach at the University of Memphis.

But John Calipari, who is in his seventh year at Memphis in 2006-07, has an even higher winning percentage in another area of collegiate athletics — graduating student-athletes. Since stepping foot on the Memphis campus, 12 of 15 seniors that have played for Calipari earned their bachelor's degrees.

In case you're wondering, that's 80 percent. And while Calipari enjoys winning games, he is thrilled when members of his basketball family walk across the stage, receive their diplomas and make their marks in a chosen profession.

Sure, Calipari talks proudly about players — including Rodney Carney, Marcus Camby, Antonio Burks, Lou Roe — that he has helped to the professional ranks either in the U.S. or overseas. But, Calipari is just as proud of those former players that have carved out careers outside basketball.

Calipari repeatedly talks about how well Arthur Barclay is working in the FedEx Corporation. The Tiger head coach offered a position to Shyrene Chatman, one of his first Memphis graduates, and the former Tiger player joined the staff this year. And when the Tigers play on the road and a former Memphis or UMass player stops by the locker room afterwards, Calipari beams when the player talks about his career and family.

To Calipari, college basketball is more than wins and losses. It's about the student-athletes. It's always been that way in his two collegiate coaching stints at Memphis (2000-present) and UMass (1988-96).

When he was hired to return the Memphis basketball program back to national prominence in the spring of 2000, Calipari did not talk in terms of wins only. He talked about improving all the areas — academics, facilities, community involvement — so the

program would have a solid foundation and build from there.

Calipari had the experience necessary to do just that. His first collegiate head coach position was from 1988-96 at UMass, which was one of the worst NCAA Division I basketball programs in the 1980s.

In one of college basketball's best reclamation projects, Calipari led the Minuteman program to numerous wins, conference titles and NCAA Tournament appearances. His passion to build a program helped accelerate the construction of the Mullins Center, UMass' basketball and hockey facility. Calipari's desire also reached out to eastern Massachusetts and Boston and brought fans back to Amherst, located in the picturesque Berkshire Mountains, to watch a national powerhouse basketball team.

Calipari also encouraged his players to work toward earning their degrees, and many did graduate. He reached out to former UMass players and coaches, creating a bond between his squads and those of the past.

Well, don't look now, but he's doing the same at Memphis. Although the Tiger program wasn't as far down as UMass was when Calipari arrived, even the most loyal Memphis

basketball supporters would admit their beloved Tigers had fallen on hard times in the mid-to-late 1990s. From 1993-94 through 1999-2000 (seven seasons), Memphis posted only two 20-win campaigns (1994-95 and 1995-96), and the Tigers had consecutive losing seasons in 1998-99 and 1999-2000.

The Tigers' fortunes had taken a nosedive from where they once were. But, in six short years, Calipari has not only revitalized the Memphis program itself, but also re-energized a city's love affair with Tiger basketball — a relationship that is the very fabric of the Memphis community.

The Tigers have captured their fans with intense and competitive play under Calipari's tutelage. In Calipari's first six years, Memphis has won 148 games, posted six-straight 20-win season and earned six-consecutive postseason bids. For numbers close to that, a Tiger fan would have to look all the way back to the late 1980s and early 1990s.

Calipari's 148 victories and 24.7 wins per year are the most by a Tiger mentor in his first six seasons. And the last time the Memphis program had six straight 20-win seasons and six-consecutive postseason appearances

was from 1988-93. Calipari won his 100th game as the Memphis head coach midway through the 2004-05 season, and he reached that milestone the second fastest of any Tiger mentor.

That same season, Calipari became one of only seven coaches in NCAA Division I history to win 300 or more games in their first 13 years. Calipari joined Roy Williams, Everett Case, Denny Crum, Jim Boeheim, Tubby Smith and Nolan Richardson in that elite group. Calipari hit the 300-win mark in February of 2005 when his Tigers upset No. 9 Louisville 85-68 in Freedom Hall.

Again, though, Calipari is not caught up in only the numbers and postseason appearances. Just as he did at UMass, he is attempting to build the entire program, which also includes upgrading facilities and graduating players.

Since coming to Memphis in 2000, he has continually made improvements to the Larry O. Finch Recreation Center, the Tigers' practice facility. The practice courts, weight room and spacious players' lounge are used only by the men's basketball program. Memphis also made a move to FedExForum. The state-of-the-art facility is college basketball's top

JOHN CALIPARI CAREER RECORD

Season	Team	Overall		Conference		Accomplishments
		W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.	
1988-89	UMass	10-18	.357	5-13	.278	
1989-90	UMass	17-14	.548	10-8	.558	NIT
1990-91	UMass	20-13	.606	10-8	.558	NIT Final Four
1991-92	UMass	30-5	.857	13-3	.824	A-10 Champ (R/T); NCAA Sweet 16
1992-93	UMass	24-7	.774	11-3	.786	A-10 Champ (R/T); NCAA 2nd Rd.
1993-94	UMass	28-7	.800	14-2	.875	A-10 Champ (R/T); NCAA 2nd Rd.
1994-95	UMass	29-5	.853	13-3	.813	A-10 Champ (R/T); NCAA Elite 8
1995-96	UMass	35-2	.946	15-1	.938	A-10 Champ (R/T); NCAA Final Four
1996-97	NJ Nets	26-56	.317			
1997-98	NJ Nets	43-39	.524			NBA Playoffs
1998-99	NJ Nets	3-17	.150			
2000-01	Memphis	21-15	.583	10-6	.625	NIT Final Four
2001-02	Memphis	27-9	.750	12-4	.750	C-USA Nat'l Div. Champ; NIT Champ
2002-03	Memphis	23-7	.767	13-3	.813	C-USA Nat'l Div. Champ; NCAA
2003-04	Memphis	22-8	.733	12-4	.750	C-USA Champ (R); NCAA 2nd Rd.
2004-05	Memphis	22-16	.579	9-7	.563	NIT Final Four
2005-06	Memphis	33-4	.892	13-1	.929	C-USA Champ (R/T); NCAA Elite 8
NCAA Totals		341-130	.724	160-66	.710	8 NCAAAs, 5 NITs
Memphis Totals		148-59	.715	69-25	.734	3 NCAAAs, 3 NITs
NBA Totals		72-112	.391			

R — denotes conf. regular season title; T — denotes conf. tournament title



arena, and the players' locker room is comparable to those of NBA squads.

But, a walk down the basketball office hallway toward Calipari's office may be his greatest source of pride. Ten players — those that played under Calipari and former Tigers — have their graduation photos on the wall and four more will be added with the recent graduations of Jeremy Hunt, Anthony Rice, Almany Thiero and Waki Williams.

Since he took over in 2000, 12 of 15 Calipari players have earned their degrees, and two others, Anfernee Hardaway and Marcus Moody, came back to graduate during Calipari's tenure. And, it hasn't stopped there.

Calipari, with the help of the University, has asked several former players to come back and earn their degrees. Some of the beloved Tigers from the 1980s such as Bobby Parks and Andre Turner are taking Calipari up on his offer. Prior to Calipari arriving at Memphis, the basketball graduation rate was zero.

On the court, each year under Calipari has been a step in the right direction. The first year saw Memphis make the NIT final four. In the second season, the Tigers took care of a little unfinished business, taking home the NIT national championship. Year No. 3 had Memphis make a trip to the NCAA Tournament, the program's first in seven seasons. Calipari's fourth year at the helm in 2003-04 saw the Tigers not only earn an NCAA Tournament bid, but also win their first NCAA Tournament game since 1995. The Tigers took a small step back in 2004-05, Calipari's fifth year, but still managed a 20-win season and an NIT final four berth despite several setbacks.

The 2005-06 campaign, though, brought the Memphis program back to the national forefront, giving Tiger Nation a reason to cheer all the way through late March. In his sixth year, Calipari, the 2005-06 Conference USA Coach of the Year, took Memphis fans on a ride they won't soon forget.

The Tigers won a school-record 33 games and tied NCAA champ Florida for the most wins of any team in the nation in 2005-06. Memphis swept the Conference USA regular season and tournament titles and earned the program's first-ever NCAA Tournament No. 1 seed. The Tigers advanced to the NCAA Tournament Elite Eight, where they fell to UCLA. The Elite Eight appearance was the program's first since 1992, and although fans were hoping for a Final Four trip, they can feel confident that Calipari has the Tiger program on solid footing and is now moving forward.

Since Calipari took over in 2000-01, the Tigers have ranked among the nation's top 15 in attendance five of his six years. The 2001 squad averaged 17,110 to rank sixth nationally, while the 2002 team averaged 16,225 to rank 10th. In 2002-03, Memphis ranked seventh with an average of 16,643 per contest, while the following season (2004-04), the Tigers ranked 10th (15,432 per game). Last year, Memphis was 13th in the nation in attendance, averaging 14,866 per contest. In Calipari's tenure, Memphis has drawn over 1.5 million in total paid attendance.

The large attendance figures have given Memphis a true homecourt advantage. The Tigers are 35-8 (.814 winning percentage) in their two seasons at FedExForum, including a sparkling 19-1 home mark in 2005-06. Just prior to the move to FedExForum, Memphis closed out its tenure in The Pyramid with a 24-game homecourt win streak that spanned over three seasons. The Tigers posted a perfect 15-0 record at The Pyramid in 2003-04.

In 14 seasons as a collegiate head coach, Calipari's record stands at 341-130 (.724). But what matters even more in the college game is what coaches and teams do in the month of March, and Calipari excels there as well. His record in March is 67-26 (.720) record when it counts the most.

By wins, Calipari has the sixth-best career start

Noting Calipari

FULL NAME: John Vincent Calipari
BORN: Feb. 10, 1959, in Strickly, Pa.
HIGH SCHOOL: Moon Area High School, Pa., 1978

FAMILY: Wife, Ellen. Daughters, Erin (19) and Megan (17). Son, Bradley (10).

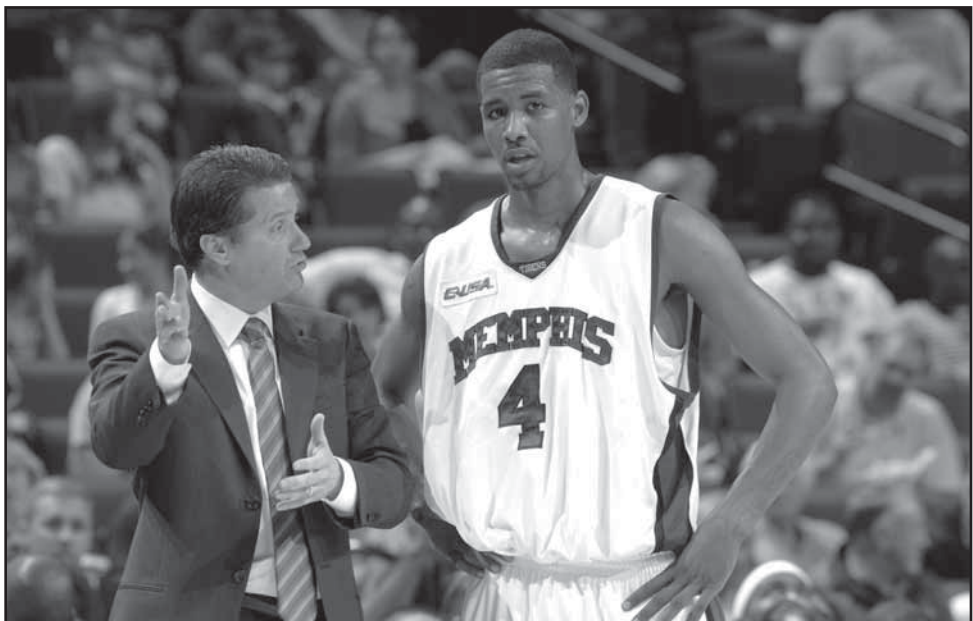
COLLEGE: Attended and played basketball at North Carolina Wilmington (1978-80) ... Graduated from Clarion State (now Clarion University located in Clarion, Pa.) in 1982 with a degree in Marketing following two-year playing career as the starting point guard for the Eagles, which were ranked in the Division II Top 20 both years and participated in the 1981 NCAA Division II Tournament.

COACHING EXPERIENCE: Assistant under Ted Owens and Larry Brown at Kansas (61-34), 1982-85 ... Assistant under Paul Evans at Pittsburgh (64-29), 1985-88 ... Head Coach at Massachusetts (193-71), 1988-96 ... Head Coach for New Jersey Nets (72-112), 1996-99 ... Assistant Coach under Larry Brown for Philadelphia 76ers, 1999-2000 ... Head Coach at Memphis (148-59), 2000-Present.

COACHING HONORS: 2006 C-USA Coach of the Year ... 2004 NABC District 7 Coach of the Year ... 1996 Naismith National Coach of the Year ... 1996 *The Sporting News* National Coach of the Year ... 1996 Atlantic 10 Coach of the Year ... 1995 Naismith National Coach of the Year Finalist ... 1994 Naismith National Coach of the Year Finalist ... 1994 Atlantic 10 Conference Coach of the Year ... 1993 USBWA District I Coach of the Year ... 1993 Atlantic 10 Coach of the Year ... 1992 *Eastern Basketball* Coach of the Year.

Cal's Coaching Record

- Overall Record:** 341-130 (.724)
- Record at Home:** 195-32 (.859)
- Road Record:** 98-68 (.590)
- Neutral Court Record:** 48-29 (.611)
- March Record:** 67-26 (.720)
- NCAA Record:** 15-8 (.652)
- NIT Record:** 15-5 (.750)
- Record in Conference Games:** 160-66 (.710)
- Record in Conference Tournament:** 25-8 (.758)



In his collegiate coaching career, John Calipari has not only produced winning teams but also helped players improve their games within the team system. Shawne Williams, seen here with Calipari, was named the 2006 C-USA Freshman of the Year. It was the fourth time in six years that Calipari has coached a C-USA Freshman of the Year honoree.

Calipari Bio

- ◆ *6th For Most Wins In NCAA History Through 14 Seasons*
- ◆ *13 Postseason Tournaments*
- ◆ *8 NCAA Tournaments • 1 Final Four*
- ◆ *5 NIT • 4 Final Fours*
- ◆ *2002 NIT Title*
- ◆ *7 League Championships*

in NCAA history through 14 years with his sparkling 337-129 record (.723). Through 14 collegiate seasons, only North Carolina coach Roy Williams, Louisville Hall of Fame coach Denny Crum, Syracuse's Jim Boeheim, Kentucky's Tubby Smith and Arkansas' Nolan Richardson have won more games than Calipari.

The Tigers' mentor enters his 15th year in 2006-07 already tied for the No. 10 spot for the best coaching start through 15 seasons. He has 337 wins, and former Utah head coach Rick Majerus is in the No. 10 spot with 337 victories. Calipari is averaging 24.7 wins per season at Memphis, and if the Tigers should reach that average in 2006-07, he would move up to at least the No. 6 spot on this list.

Calipari had the fifth-best career start in NCAA history through nine and 10 seasons, sixth-best through 11 seasons, seventh-best start through 12 and 13 seasons and sixth-best through 14 seasons.

THE MEMPHIS BEGINNING

In an instant, Calipari had the city of Memphis abuzz about Tiger basketball.

Local television and radio stations went live at the press conference to introduce Calipari as the University of Memphis' 16th head basketball coach on Mar. 11, 2000. He was introduced to an overflow audience of fans in The Pyramid's Tiger Club Room later in the day.

In a matter of a few hours, the University of Memphis had seized March Madness. With his down-to-earth demeanor, his knowledge of Memphis basketball history and his expectations for the future of the program, folks left The Pyramid that March afternoon knowing Tiger basketball was in good hands.

In his first year, Memphis exceeded expectations. The U of M won 20-plus games for the first time in five seasons, posting a 21-15 record. The Tigers advanced to the Conference USA Tournament semifinals for the first time since 1996 and capped the year with a third-place finish at the TiVo NIT.

For the first time since becoming a charter member of Conference USA, Memphis swept four, two-game series against National Division opponents.

How Calipari had his first Tiger team playing at season's end was a far cry from the U of M's 4-8 start. Memphis played three NCAA Sweet 16 teams, and faced five other opponents that advanced to postseason play during the first weeks of the season.

Memphis would roll off eight-consecutive wins to begin the new year and were in contention all season for a league championship. The U of M finished the season just a game out of first place, marking the squad's highest finish since capturing a share of the inaugural conference title in 1996.

In Calipari's first season, Memphis also broke both the season total (290,864) and season average (17,110) records for paid attendance.

OFF THE COURT

Calipari's endeavors in the community and on the University of Memphis campus have rivaled the strides the Tigers have made on the court during the coach's six seasons in the Mid-South.



Early in his tenure at the U of M, Calipari began developing a relationship with Memphis-based FedEx. The overnight courier has employed Memphis student-athletes in its internship program during the past six summers. It is a program where the Tigers gain valuable experience in an area related to their field of study.

Calipari has also founded a program called NetWorks. The program brings together business leaders from throughout the community to network, find employment opportunities and place former U of M players following their playing careers.

Calipari has made several financial contributions to the University and has been honored by the Friends of the Ned McWherter Library on the U of M campus. In April of 2004, Calipari and his family made a \$100,000 contribution to help endow athletic scholarships at the University. He also presented the U of M a check for \$40,000 which resulted from a partnership between Calipari and Pace Cooper, president and CEO of Cooper Companies, the owner of the restaurant, Cal's Championship Steakhouse in the Hilton East Memphis.

At the conclusion of his first season at Memphis, Calipari joined several area business leaders to form the Y.E.S. Foundation, an organization designed to educate middle school students about the importance of academics and athletics. Y.E.S., an acronym for Youth Education Through Sports, held its first camp on the U of M campus in August of 2001. Over 25 schools are currently taking part in the program which is in its sixth year.

Calipari has also been responsible for raising money and making donations for improvements at the U of M's tennis complex, air conditioning in the Elma Roane Fieldhouse and having courts resurfaced for

use by Memphis students for outdoor basketball.

Not only did Calipari secure a shoe and apparel contract for the basketball program, he also has helped with similar arrangements for several Olympic sports programs at the University.

A couple of years ago, Calipari teamed up with Philadelphia 76ers star guard Allen Iverson to renovate basketball courts in the community. The courts were dedicated in the Orange Mound community of Memphis as well as a four-plex of courts adjacent to Halle Stadium in southeast Memphis. The first courts built during the continuing project were at two housing projects located near downtown, Foote Homes and Dixie Homes.

When he arrived, the University of Memphis had just opened a new practice facility. In the past six years, Calipari has directed improvements which makes the Larry O. Finch Recreation Facility one of the best of its kind and on a scale with some of the top practice facilities in the NBA. Calipari's latest vision for the Finch Center is to turn the entrance area into a memorabilia center that will chronicle Tiger basketball history. Also, with the Tigers' move to its new home, FedExForum, Calipari designed the team's locker room at the facility. The locker room is one of the nation's best and includes a players' lounge, meeting room and training room along with other amenities.

He received the Lombardi Award from UNICO National in the summer of 2003. UNICO was founded in 1922 to provide scholarships to worthy students and to give strength and force in fighting discrimination against Italian-Americans. UNICO's Lombardi Award recognized an outstanding individual of Italian-American heritage who is involved in athletics.

In 2004, Calipari was inducted to the National Italian American Sports Hall of Fame and UMass Athletic Hall of Fame. He was also recognized by the West Tennessee Arthritis Foundation and Tennessee Health Care Association for his work and contributions to both organizations.

Away from the University, Calipari is a sought after speaker. He has made countless appearances on programs such as Fox Sports Net's Best Damn Sports Show Period, ESPN's Outside the Lines and Jim Rome Is Burning and ESPN2's Quite Frankly With Stephen A. Smith, as well as countless interviews on national radio programs.

PRIOR TO MEMPHIS

Calipari returned to college basketball in 2000 after working the previous season as an assistant coach with the Philadelphia 76ers and two-plus seasons as the head coach of the New Jersey Nets.

Prior to moving to the NBA, Calipari built a basketball program from the ground up at the University of Massachusetts (1988-96).

During an eight-year stint at UMass, he took the Minutemen from being a team which had struggled in the Atlantic 10 Conference to being a national powerhouse. UMass went to five-straight NCAA Tournaments (1992-96), advancing to the Final Four in his last season. UMass advanced to the NCAA Sweet 16 on three occasions and two Elite Eights. The school became just the second NCAA Division I program to win five-straight regular season and conference tournament championships.

Calipari compiled a 193-71 record (.731) during his career at Massachusetts, including a 108-44 mark (.684) in Atlantic 10 play.

In addition to five-straight NCAA Tournaments,

Calipari Bio

Calipari vs. Opponents

Alabama.....	1-1	Furman.....	1-0	New Hampshire.....	5-0	Southeastern Louisiana.....	1-0
Arizona State.....	0-1	George Mason.....	1-0	New Mexico.....	1-0	Southern Cal.....	1-0
Arkansas.....	3-2	Georgetown.....	1-0	New Orleans.....	1-0	Southern Miss.....	8-4
Arkansas-Little Rock.....	1-0	George Washington.....	8-9	North Carolina.....	1-0	Southwest Texas State.....	1-0
Arkansas-Pine Bluff.....	1-0	Georgia Tech.....	1-0	UNC Greensboro.....	1-0	Stanford.....	2-2
Arkansas State.....	2-0	Gonzaga.....	1-0	North Carolina State.....	1-0	Syracuse.....	3-1
Austin Peay.....	3-1	Hartford.....	1-0	North Carolina Wilmington.....	1-0	TCU.....	5-1
Belmont.....	1-0	Harvard.....	1-0	Northeastern.....	2-1	Temple.....	13-11
Boston University.....	4-1	Holy Cross.....	4-1	Northwestern State.....	1-0	Tennessee.....	2-1
Boston College.....	2-0	Houston.....	8-3	Oakland.....	1-0	Tennessee Martin.....	3-0
Bradley.....	1-0	Howard.....	1-0	Oklahoma.....	2-1	Tennessee Tech.....	1-0
Bucknell.....	1-0	Illinois.....	1-1	Oklahoma State.....	0-2	Texas.....	0-2
Buffalo.....	1-0	Iowa.....	0-1	Old Dominion.....	1-0	Towson State.....	1-0
BYU.....	1-0	Iowa State.....	1-0	Oral Roberts.....	1-0	Tulane.....	10-0
Central Connecticut State.....	2-0	Jackson State.....	1-0	Oregon State.....	1-0	Tulsa.....	3-1
Charlotte.....	2-3	Kansas.....	0-2	Rice.....	1-0	UAB.....	8-3
Christian Brothers.....	2-0	Kansas State.....	1-0	Pennsylvania.....	2-0	UCF.....	2-0
Cincinnati.....	2-7	Keene State.....	1-0	Penn State.....	3-4	UCLA.....	1-1
Cleveland State.....	1-0	Kentucky.....	1-4	Pittsburgh.....	2-1	USF.....	9-1
Coastal Carolina.....	1-0	Lamar.....	1-0	Princeton.....	1-0	Utah.....	1-1
Colorado.....	1-1	LaSalle.....	3-0	Providence.....	1-1	UTEP.....	2-0
Colorado State.....	1-1	Louisiana-Lafayette.....	2-0	Purdue.....	2-1	Vanderbilt.....	1-0
Connecticut.....	0-2	Louisiana Tech.....	1-1	Rhode Island.....	16-2	Vermont.....	2-0
Dartmouth.....	1-0	Louisville.....	6-5	Rutgers.....	11-4	Villanova.....	2-0
Dayton.....	1-0	Lowell.....	2-1	Saint Louis.....	4-3	Virginia.....	0-1
DePaul.....	4-2	Manhattan.....	1-0	St. Bonaventure.....	17-1	Virginia Tech.....	2-0
Detroit.....	1-0	Marshall.....	1-0	St. Joseph's.....	15-5	Wake Forest.....	1-1
Duke.....	0-1	Marquette.....	3-1	St. Mary's.....	1-0	Western Kentucky.....	1-0
Duquesne.....	11-4	Maryland.....	3-3	St. Peter's.....	1-0	West Virginia.....	10-6
East Carolina.....	4-0	Memphis.....	1-0	Samford.....	1-0	Winthrop.....	1-0
East Tennessee State.....	1-0	Miami (Fla.).....	0-1	Santa Clara.....	1-0	Wisconsin-Milwaukee.....	1-0
Eastern Kentucky.....	1-0	Miami (Ohio).....	1-0	Savannah State.....	1-0	Wofford.....	1-0
Florida.....	1-0	Middle Tennessee.....	1-0	Siena.....	3-0	Xavier.....	2-1
Florida State.....	1-1	Mississippi.....	3-3	SMU.....	1-0	Yale.....	1-0
Florida Tech.....	0-1	Missouri.....	1-1	South Carolina.....	3-0		
Fordham.....	5-0	Murray State.....	1-0	South Connecticut.....	1-0		



Top Coaching Starts By Victories

15 Seasons

No.	Coach, School	Years	W-L
1.	Roy Williams, Kansas	1989-2003	418-101
2.	Nolan Richardson, Tulsa, Arkansas	1981-95	371-119
3.	Denny Crum, Louisville	1972-86	370-114
4.	Jim Boeheim, Syracuse	1977-91	369-114
5.	Tubby Smith, Tulsa, Georgia, Kentucky	1992-2006	365-133
6.	Rick Pitino, Boston U., Providence, Kentucky	1979-83 1986-87 1990-97	352-124
7.	John Thompson, G'town	1973-87	350-120
8.	Everett Case, North Carolina St.	1947-61	347-105
9.	Jerry Tarkanian, Long Beach St., UNLV	1969-83	346-83
10.	Rick Majerus, Marquette, Ball St., Utah	1984-86 1988-99	337-116

John Calipari 1989-96 337-129
UMass, Memphis 2001-pres.

* Calipari begins his 15th season as a collegiate head coach in 2006-07

14 Seasons

No.	Coach, School	Years	W-L
1.	Roy Williams, Kansas	1989-2002	388-93
2.	Jim Boeheim, Syracuse	1977-90	343-108
t.	Tubby Smith, Tulsa, Georgia, Kentucky	1992-2005	343-120
4.	Nolan Richardson, Tulsa, Arkansas	1981-94	339-112
5.	Denny Crum, Louisville	1972-85	338-107
6.	John Calipari UMass, Memphis	1989-96 2001-06	337-129
7.	Everett Case, North Carolina St.	1947-60	331-96
8.	John Thompson, G'town	1973-86	321-115
9.	Jerry Tarkanian, Long Beach St., UNLV	1969-82	318-80
10.	Rick Pitino, Boston U., Providence, Kentucky	1979-83 1986-87 1990-96	317-119

13 Seasons

No.	Coach, School	Years	W-L
1.	Roy Williams, Kansas	1989-2001	355-89
2.	Everett Case, North Carolina St.	1947-59	320-81
3.	Denny Crum, Louisville	1972-84	319-89
4.	Jim Boeheim, Syracuse	1977-89	317-101
5.	Tubby Smith, Tulsa, Georgia, Kentucky	1992-2004	315-114
6.	Nolan Richardson, Tulsa, Arkansas	1981-93	308-109
7.	John Calipari UMass, Memphis	1989-96 2001-05	304-125
8.	Jerry Tarkanian, Long Beach St., UNLV	1969-81	298-70
9.	John Thompson, G'town	1973-85	297-107
10.	Bob Huggins, Walsh, Akron, Cincinnati	1981-94	284-118

UMass also made two appearances in the NIT, advancing to the NIT final four in 1991. The 1990-91 season was the first of six-straight seasons in which the Minutemen won at least 20 games.

Calipari's personal 20-win streak has reached the 12-season mark as all six of his Memphis clubs have won 20-plus games.

In his final season at UMass, Calipari was named the 1996 Naismith National Coach of the Year and *The Sporting News* National Coach of the Year. He was also named the Atlantic 10 Coach of the Year for the third time in four years as well as *Basketball Times* East Region Coach of the Year.

During the Minutemen's 35-2 season in 1995-96, UMass posted wins over Maryland, Wake Forest, Georgia Tech, Syracuse, Virginia Tech and Louisville. UMass ended the regular season ranked No. 1 in the nation in the final regular season poll after being the top-ranked team for nine weeks earlier in the year. The Minutemen also won their first 26 games of the season, setting a school record for most consecutive wins.

In addition to his National Coach of the Year honors in 1996, Calipari was a Naismith Coach of the Year finalist in 1994 and 1995. He was the USBWA District I Coach of the Year in 1993.

Calipari's accomplishments are made even more impressive when you consider what he started with at UMass. Prior to his arrival, UMass had suffered through 10-straight losing seasons.

At 29, when he was named head coach, Calipari began to build a program from the ground up, going 10-18 his first season before posting a 17-14 record his second year and receiving a bid to the NIT. UMass made a late season run in 1991, advancing to the NIT's Final Four.

The Minutemen won their first A-10 championship in 1992 with a 30-5 record, including a 13-3 mark in league play. With a 77-71 overtime win over Syracuse in an East Regional second-round game, UMass made its first Sweet 16 appearance.

Off the court, UMass' graduation rate for its basketball players was close to 80 percent.

Calipari left UMass in June of 1996 to become Executive Vice President of Basketball Operations and Head Coach of the New Jersey Nets. He led the Nets to a second-place finish in the NBA's Atlantic Division and the playoffs in 1998, ending a five-year postseason drought for the franchise. The Nets' 17-game turnaround from the previous year was the best that season in the NBA.

He joined the Philadelphia 76ers coaching staff in 1999, rejoining Philadelphia coach Larry Brown, who Calipari was an assistant for at Kansas.

Calipari began his coaching career at Kansas as a volunteer assistant under Ted Owens. In 1983, he was hired as the recruiting coordinator at the University of Vermont, but was swayed back to the nation's heartland when Brown was hired as head coach at KU. He spent three seasons at Kansas (1982-85) before another three-year stint as an assistant coach to Paul Evans at Pittsburgh (1985-88).

The 47-year-old lettered two years at North Carolina-Wilmington before transferring to Clarion State. He played point guard at Clarion during the 1981 and 1982 seasons, leading the team in assists and free throw percentage. The Eagles were ranked in the Division II Top 20 both years and participated in the 1981 NCAA Division II Tournament.

Calipari and his wife, Ellen, have two daughters, Erin Sue and Megan Rae, and a son, Bradley Vincent. Erin is in her second year of college at UMass.



The Calipari Family
 Erin, Megan, Bradley, John and Ellen

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DEREK KELLOGG



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Assistant Coach Seventh Season Massachusetts, 1995

In basketball, they say the point guard is an extension of the head coach or the “coach on the floor.”

Derek Kellogg, who is in his seventh year on the University of Memphis staff, was just that during his collegiate playing days at UMass under head coach John Calipari. So, when Calipari came to Memphis, he brought his “coach on the floor” at UMass to the sidelines, and it has paid dividends for the Tiger program.

In Kellogg’s six seasons in Memphis, he has helped lead the Tigers to six-straight 20-win seasons and six-consecutive postseason berths (2003, 2004, 2006 NCAA; 2001, 2002, 2005 NIT). Prior to this recent run, the last time Memphis had six-straight 20-win seasons was the 1980s, and the last time the Tigers made six-consecutive postseasons was from 1988-93.

Kellogg played an integral role in the Tigers’ 2005-06 record-setting season. Memphis posted a 33-4 record and won the Conference USA regular season and tournament titles. The 33 victories set a school single-season record for victories and the conference regular season crown was the Tigers’ second in three years. The 2005-06 Memphis squad earned the program’s first-ever NCAA Tournament No. 1 seed and advanced to the Elite Eight for the first time since 1992. The Tigers finished the season ranked in the top 10 of both national polls (No. 4/AP; No. 6/ESPN-USA Today). Those final rankings were the highest in Memphis basketball history.

Since Kellogg joined the Memphis staff in 2000-01, the Tigers have also won the 2002 National Invitation Tournament championship, claimed a share of the 2004 Conference USA regular season crown and took home the 2002 and 2003 C-USA National Division titles. The Tigers have posted 148



overall victories and 69 conference wins the last six seasons. The six years prior to this recent span, the Tigers had 107 total wins and 55 conference victories.

In addition to the 2006 final national rankings, the Tigers also finished the 2003 (No. 19) and 2004 (No. 24) seasons ranked in the final Associated Press poll. The last time Memphis was ranked in the final polls in consecutive years was the 1984-85 and 1985-86 campaigns.

Kellogg is an off-campus recruiter for the Tigers, and also assists in scouting opponents. His hard work — especially on the recruiting trail — has gained him national recognition. In the fall of 2006, Rivals.com listed Kellogg as one of the nation’s top 25 recruiters, and *HoopScoop* magazine tabbed him as one of the nation’s top assistant coaches.

Prior to joining Calipari’s staff, Kellogg spent one season at Youngstown State.

In his lone year at Youngstown

State, Kellogg was a member of a coaching staff that re-energized a community about Penguin basketball. Youngstown State finished fourth in the Mid-Continent Conference regular season standings, but were in first place in the league before losing their top scorer, Elmer Brown, with seven games left in the regular season.

Youngstown State signed a freshman class which included three top-100 recruits during Kellogg’s tenure.

Kellogg joined the Youngstown State staff after two seasons at George Mason University in Fairfax, Va. The Patriots posted a 19-11 record during the 1998-99 season, captured both the Colonial Athletic Association regular season and tournament championships and earned an automatic bid to the 1999 NCAA Tournament.

Kellogg began his coaching career at his alma mater, Massachusetts. He was a graduate assistant at UMass for the 1996-97 season.

As a player at Massachusetts, Kellogg played on four Atlantic 10 Conference regular season and tournament championship teams. The Minutemen were just the second team in NCAA history to win four-straight outright season and tournament championships. During his four-year career at UMass under Calipari, the Minutemen were 111-24, including 51-11 in the Atlantic 10, and advanced to the NCAA Tournament each year, including the Elite Eight in 1995.

Kellogg was named the team’s captain as both a junior and senior. He finished his career ranked fourth at UMass in all-time three-pointers (183) and assists (453), as well as fifth in three-point percentage (38.1) and ninth in steals (134).

Kellogg, 33 (born June 20, 1973), is a 1995 graduate of Massachusetts with a degree in Real Estate/Finance. He married the former Nicole Flory in May of 2005.

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JOHN ROBIC



JOHN ROBIC

46

Assistant Coach Second Season Denison, 1986

John Calipari calls his coaching staff a “family,” and he welcomed back a member of his family to Memphis when John Robic joined the staff in the summer of 2005. Robic, whose first association with Calipari came when their paths briefly crossed at Kansas in the mid-1980s, joined the Memphis staff after serving as head coach at Youngstown State.

And it seems as if the Calipari-Robic duo is a proven combination for thrilling basketball seasons. Similar to those magical years he assisted in at UMass in the 1990s, Robic, in only his first season at Memphis, helped lead the Tigers to one of the program’s most storied campaigns in history.

In the Tigers’ 2005-06 record-setting season, Memphis posted a 33-4 record and won the Conference USA regular season and tournament titles. The 33 victories set a school single-season record for victories and the sweep of the conference regular season and tournament crowns was accomplished for the first time since 1984-85. The 2005-06 Memphis squad earned the program’s first-ever NCAA Tournament No. 1 seed and advanced to the Elite Eight for the first time since 1992. The Tigers finished the season ranked in the top 10 of both national polls (No. 4/AP; No. 6/ESPN-USA Today). Those final rankings were the highest in Memphis basketball history.

Prior to last year, Robic directed the Youngstown State program from 1999-2005, and during his time there, he and his staff faced a huge challenge as the Penguins moved from the Mid-Continent Conference (Mid-Con) to the Horizon League, one of the nation’s premier basketball conferences that includes Butler (2003 NCAA Sweet 16) and Wisconsin-Milwaukee (2005 NCAA Sweet 16).

Robic’s Penguins best finish in the Horizon League was a sixth-place showing in the 2002-03 campaign, the program’s second year in its new conference.

Prior to its move to the Horizon League, Youngstown State put together a tremendous year in the Mid-Con in 2000-01, Robic’s second year at the helm. The Penguins posted a 19-11 overall mark and an 11-5 Mid-Con record. The 19 overall wins were the second-most in 16 seasons, and the 11 league victories tied the school record for most conference wins.

Before taking over at Youngstown State, Robic served as an assistant for 11 years at UMass for both Calipari and Bruiser Flint, helping the Minutemen rise from one of the country’s worst programs to one of the nation’s elite. His last three seasons (all under Flint) at UMass, Robic was the program’s associate head coach. He served as an assistant coach on Calipari’s staff.

Robic played an integral role in building the Minutemen into a national power. After a 10-18 mark his first season on staff, Robic helped lead the Minutemen to nine-consecutive winning campaigns.

From 1990-96, the Minutemen averaged 26 wins per year, and had six-straight 20-win seasons, including two 30-victory campaigns. In that seven-year span, UMass won five-straight Atlantic 10 Conference regular season and tournament titles. The Minutemen earned five-straight NCAA Tournament bids and advanced past the first round all five years. UMass made the NCAA Tournament Sweet 16 in 1992, Elite Eight in 1995 and Final Four in 1996. It was UMass’ first-ever appearance on college basketball’s largest stage. Prior to the NCAA Tournament run, the Minutemen played in consecutive NITs in 1990 and 1991, advancing



to the final four in Madison Square Garden in 1991.

After Calipari moved on to the NBA, Robic remained at UMass and was elevated to the associate head coach post under Flint from 1997-99. UMass went 54-41 in those three seasons, and made postseason appearances in 1997 (NCAA) and 1998 (NIT).

During his tenure at UMass, the Minutemen posted a 247-111 overall record (.690 winning percentage) and earned nine postseason tournament bids (seven NCAA, two NIT). While at UMass, Robic coached UTEP head coach Tony Barbee and Memphis assistant Derek Kellogg.

Prior to joining Calipari at UMass, Robic served as a graduate assistant on Larry Brown’s staff at Kansas for two years (1986-87, 1987-88). While in Lawrence, he was a member of the coaching staff that led the Jayhawks to a 52-22 two-year mark and consecutive NCAA Tournaments. The 1986-87 squad advanced to the NCAA Sweet 16, and the 1987-88 team, dubbed

“Danny Manning and The Miracles,” won the NCAA championship behind the spectacular performance of the Jayhawk All-American.

A graduate of North Hills High School in Pittsburgh, Pa., Robic attended Walsh College in Canton, Ohio, before transferring to Denison University in Granville, Ohio, where he earned his B.A. in Speech Communication and Physical Education in 1986.

At Denison, Robic garnered Division III All-America accolades as a senior and was a two-time all-conference performer. He was one of 10 former players to be named to the 10th Anniversary All-Decade Team in the league in 1994. Despite playing just two seasons at Denison, Robic is the 15th-leading scorer in school history. This past fall, he was inducted into the Denison Athletic Hall of Fame. In October of 2004, he was inducted into the North Hills High School Hall of Fame.

Robic and his wife, Heidi, have three daughters, Hayley, Alli and Sophie.

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CHUCK MARTIN



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48

Assistant Coach First Season Monmouth, 1993

When the name Jose “Chuck” Martin came up for the opening on the University of Memphis basketball staff in mid-August, qualities like tireless, hard-working and class were mentioned. That was enough to convince John Calipari to ask Martin to join the Tiger family. The 2006-07 campaign is Martin’s eighth in the collegiate coaching ranks.

Martin joins a Tiger program that is coming off one of its best years in school history. Last season, Memphis posted a 33-4 record and won the Conference USA regular season and tournament titles. The 33 victories set a school single-season record for victories and the sweep of the conference regular season and tournament crowns was accomplished for the first time since 1984-85. The 2005-06 Memphis squad earned the program’s first-ever NCAA Tournament No. 1 seed and advanced to the Elite Eight for the first time since 1992. The Tigers finished the season ranked in the top 10 of both national polls (No. 4/AP; No. 6/ESPN-USA Today). Those final rankings were the highest in Memphis basketball history.

With his background of being able to bring in some of the nation’s top recruits, Martin will help the Tigers stay among the country’s elite basketball programs.

The past two seasons, Martin served on Norm Roberts’ staff at St. John’s and played a major role in helping the Red Storm bring in fresh talent. Some dividends of Martin’s work at St. John’s were seen in two signature victories for the Red Storm in 2005-06. In mid-January, St. John’s upset No. 9/9 and then-undefeated Pittsburgh 55-50 and followed with a 68-56 win over No. 17/15 Louisville. As a result of the two upset victories, the Red Storm were honored as college basketball’s Team of the Week by several national media outlets.



Prior to St. John’s, Martin was an assistant coach at Drexel for head coach Bruiser Flint, who served as an assistant for Calipari at UMass in the 1990s. During his time with the Dragons, Martin was involved in all aspects of the basketball program, including national recruiting, working with the team’s guards on skill development, scouting and game preparation.

In his three years at Drexel, the Dragons reached the conference championship game once and made two postseason appearances. Martin played a major role in the development of point guard Eric Schmieder, an All-Colonial Athletic Association (CAA) performer, and also helped recruit and develop Bashire Mason, who was named the league’s Defensive Player of the Year. It was the first time a freshman had won the award in the CAA.

Before Drexel, Martin worked with Flint at UMass during the 2000-01 season, when the Minutemen advanced to the Atlantic 10 conference championship game.

Martin began his collegiate coaching career as an assistant at Manhattan College during the 1999-2000 season under head coach Bobby Gonzalez. Martin’s strong roots in New York City helped land All-Metro Athletic Conference (MAAC) players Mussy Green, Jared Johnson and 2004 NBA second round draft pick Luis Flores. Those three players helped earn the Jaspers a reputation as one of the top mid-major programs in the country over the last several years.

Before he started his career in college coaching, Martin established strong relationships on the East Coast with several of the top high schools, prep schools and AAU coaches as the camp director for the Eastern Invitational Basketball Camp.

The Bronx native has close ties to the New York City basketball community, working as an assistant coach at national-powers St. Raymond’s and LaSalle Academy. Martin was an assistant at LaSalle

from 1993-95, when he worked with former St. John’s standout Ron Artest, as well as future NBA player Shamgod Wells. While coaching at St. Raymond’s, Martin tutored former NBA center Ernest Brown, All-America and Virginia standout Majestic Mapp.

Martin, who played at St. Raymond’s for three years, was inducted into the school’s Hall of Fame in 1998.

Martin attended Champlain (Vt.) Junior College, where he captained a pair of NJCAA tournament teams, before completing his career at Monmouth University. At Monmouth, Martin played the point guard position and averaged 7.1 points and 2.0 assists for his career. Martin is a 1993 graduate of Monmouth with a bachelor’s degree in Communications.

Martin and his wife, Lee, have three children – a daughter, Ashley-Monet (9), and two sons, Jordan (4) and Justin (1).



ANDY ALLISON

49

**Coordinator of Basketball Operations
Fifth Season
Youngstown State, 2000**

Loyalty. It's a quality that is special to head coach John Calipari. When former players or staff members call for his assistance, Calipari is always there to help because of their loyalty to him and his program. And when a position opens up on his staff, he first looks to those in his "family" to offer those opportunities.

That's what happened when Calipari promoted Andy Allison to Coordinator of Basketball Operations this past summer. Allison is in his first season in the role of director, but is no stranger to Memphis basketball as he enters his fifth overall season with the program.

In his current position, Allison is in charge of all the Tiger basketball operations, including coordinating recruits' on-campus visits, monitoring the student-athletes' academic progress, updating the recruiting database, assisting with travel plans and coordinating the John Calipari Basketball School in the summer.

The past two seasons (2004-05, 2005-06), the Columbus, Ohio, native served as the Assistant to the Director of Basketball Operations. Allison's first stint with Calipari and the Memphis program was from 2001-03 as a graduate assistant. In that role, Allison assisted in film exchange and breakdown and scouting reports. He also served as assistant camp director for the John Calipari Basketball School.

Allison has been a part of some of the Tigers' most successful seasons. In 2001-02, Memphis went 27-9 and won the National Invitation Tournament crown, and the following campaign (2002-03), the Tigers earned their first NCAA Tournament berth since 1996. The 2004-05 campaign saw Memphis post a 22-16 record and advance to the NIT semifinals.

The 2005-06 season went down as one of the most storied in school history. Memphis posted a 33-4 record and won the Conference USA regular season and tournament titles. The 33 victories set a school single-season record for victories and the sweep of the conference regular season and tournament crowns was accomplished for the first time since 1984-85. The 2005-06 Memphis squad earned the program's first-ever NCAA Tournament No. 1 seed and advanced to the Elite Eight for the first time since 1992. The Tigers finished the season ranked in the top 10 of both national polls (No. 4/AP; No. 6/ESPN-USA Today). Those final rankings were

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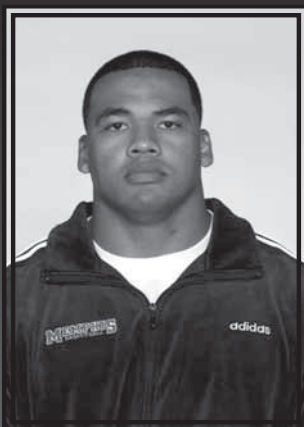
Prior to his first time at Memphis, Allison

was an assistant coach at Mount Union College in Alliance, Ohio. He was also the head coach of the program's junior varsity squad.

Allison earned a bachelor's degree in Education from Youngstown State University in 2000. He is the son of Al and B.J. Allison, and has a sister, Beth.

RICHARD HOGANS

Director of Performance Enhancement Third Season Memphis, 1999



When head coach John Calipari took over the University of Memphis basketball program, he knew the importance of strength training and conditioning and how those areas came into play during the year, especially in the postseason in late March.

With that in mind, Calipari's first hire was Ray "Rock" Oliver back in 2000, and it paid dividends for the Tigers with four-straight 20-win seasons and four-consecutive postseason appearances, including the 2002 National Invitation Tournament title.

When Oliver moved on to the NFL following the 2003-04 campaign, Calipari and his staff wanted not only to continue the program's success in the strength and conditioning area, they also wanted to build on it. Enter Richard Hogans, former University of Memphis football standout.

In two years with the program, Hogans' desire, intensity and passion for strength and conditioning has been infectious, winning over the coaches and players and preparing the squad for those long postseason runs into late March. And his work has paid off for the Tigers the last two campaigns.

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No. 6/ESPN-USA Today). Those final rankings were the highest in Memphis basketball history.

The previous season (2004-05), the Tigers played into late March, advancing to the NIT semifinals. Memphis posted a 22-16 record and was the Conference USA Tournament runner-up.

Hogans joined the Memphis staff in September of 2004, coming to the school from his position as a personal trainer and fitness director. Hogans was owner of NEXGEN Personal Training Services Inc., and served as Fitness Director/Director of Sports Specific Training at the DeSoto Athletic Club in Southaven, Miss.

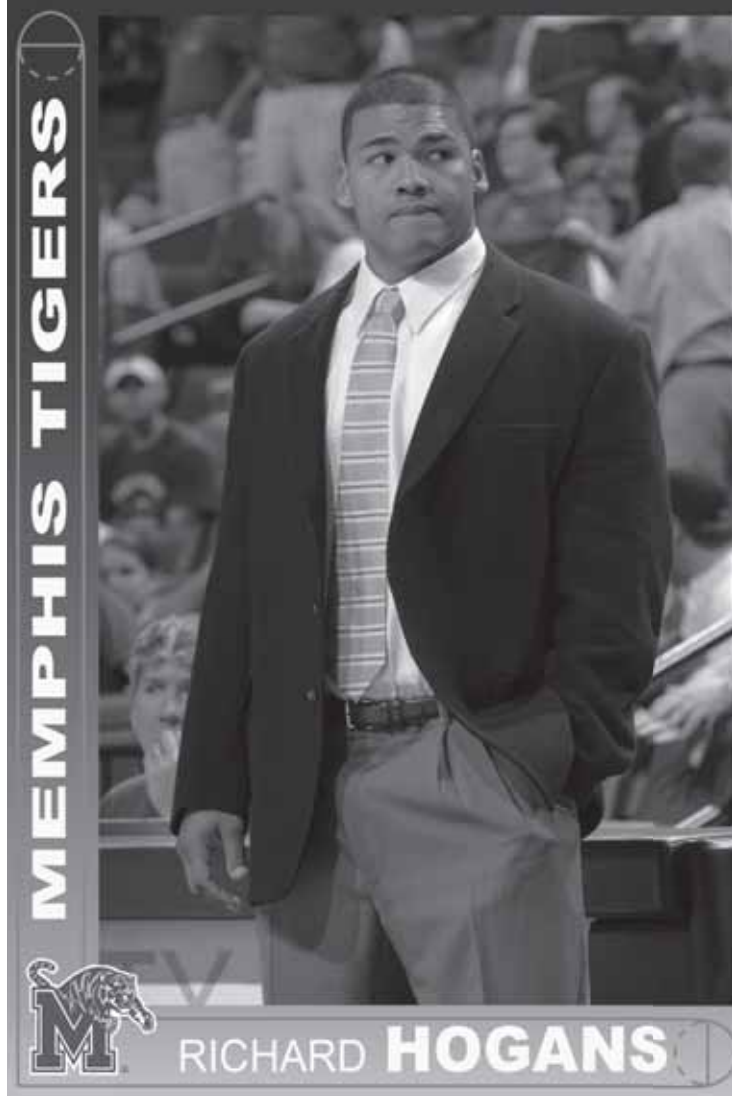
Prior to his career in personal training, Hogans served on the Memphis Xplorers staff in the 2002 season as the offensive and defensive line coach and strength and conditioning coach.

Before jumping into the coaching ranks, Hogans played professional football in the NFL, NFL Europe and XFL.

Following his collegiate career at Memphis, Hogans was selected by the Chicago Bears in the sixth round of the 1997 NFL Draft. He stayed with the Bears organization from 1997-98, but was sidelined his rookie season with an ACL tear. From 1998 through 2000, Hogans was with the San Diego Chargers and also played with the Rhien Fire and Berlin Thunder of NFL Europe. In 2000, Hogans led NFL Europe in total tackles and was selected to the NFL Europe All-Defensive Team.

Hogans played with the XFL's Memphis Maniax in 2000-01 and served as the team's captain. In March of 2001, Hogans was acquired by the NFL's Jacksonville Jaguars, but shortly after, had to retire from professional football with an eye injury.

The Columbus, Ga., native was



a four-year letterman for the Tiger football squad from 1993-96. A 1993 *Sporting News* Freshman All-America second team pick, Hogans finished his career with 307 total tackles, 24 TFLs and eight quarterback sacks. The 6-foot-2 linebacker was a 1996 All-Conference USA first team pick, after being named to the league's second team in 1995. The 1996 Butkus Award candidate served as a team captain that season and led the squad with 128 total

hits. For his performance in 1996, Hogans was named the team's Defensive Player of the Year.

Hogans graduated from Memphis' Fogelman College of Business with a degree in Management Information Systems. He is also certified by International Sports Sciences of America.

Hogans and his wife, Wendy, have three children — two sons, Dylan (15) and R.J. (9), and a daughter, Olivia (5).



ROD STRICKLAND

**Director of Student-Athlete Dev./Manager
First Season
DePaul**

Every coach will tell you it's hard to replace experience. So, when Milt Wagner took his years of college and professional basketball know-how to join Tony Barbee at UTEP, John Calipari looked to add another person who would bring that same background to the Memphis program. Enter Rod Strickland, a 17-year NBA veteran and two-time All-America at DePaul.

Strickland joins the Memphis basketball operations staff and will assist in many areas "behind-the-scenes" for the program, including managerial duties and overseeing the team's student managers. He will also assist in monitoring the student-athletes academic progress. As Wagner did, Strickland will take classes toward completing his bachelor's degree.

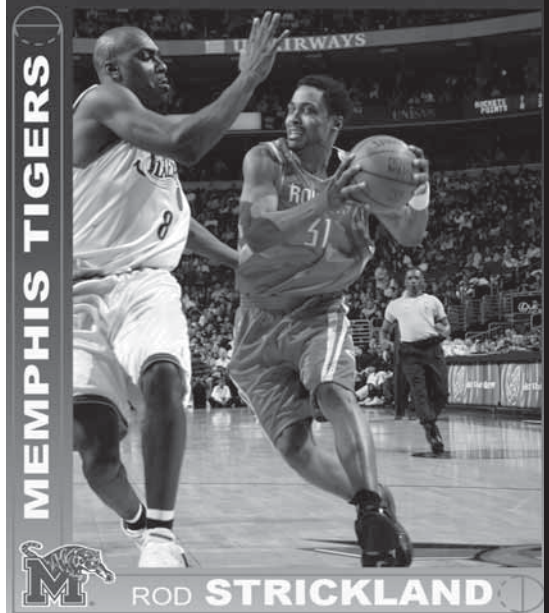
The New York City native comes to Memphis after a lengthy and successful career in the NBA. The 6-foot-3 guard was an NBA first round draft pick of the Knicks in 1988, and during his career, played for New York, San Antonio, Portland, Washington, Miami, Minnesota, Orlando, Toronto and Houston. Strickland played in 1,094 games and scored over 14,000 points (13.2 career average) and dished out

nearly 8,000 assists (7.3 career average).

The 1997-98 NBA campaign with Washington was Strickland's best, as he averaged a double-double with 17.8 points and 10.5 assists. His 10.5 assist average led the NBA that year, and he was selected to the All-NBA second team. That year, Strickland also became only the 25th player in NBA history to record 10,000 points and 5,000 assists. He also ranked among the NBA's top 10 in assists in the 1991-92 (5th), 1993-94 (6th), 1994-95 (5th) and 1995-96 (4th) seasons.

Prior to his time in the NBA, Strickland enjoyed a stellar career at DePaul. A 1987 and 1988 All-America pick, Strickland helped lead the Blue Demons to four-straight NCAA Tournament appearances from 1985-88, including Sweet Sixteen showings in 1986 and 1987. The four-time Blue Demon letterwinner ranks among the program's career leaders in scoring average (8th; 16.6 ppg), assists (3rd; 557) and steals (2nd; 204).

Strickland and his wife, Cheryl, have four children – two daughters, Torin (12) and Tanner (1), and two sons, Tai (7) and Terell (5).



SHYRONE CHATMAN

**Administrative Assistant/Video Coordinator
First Season
Memphis, 2002**

Relentless. Competitor. Two words that head coach John Calipari loves to not only use, but also likes to see in his players and staff. That's one reason Calipari offered Shyrone Chatman a position on the Tigers' basketball operations staff.

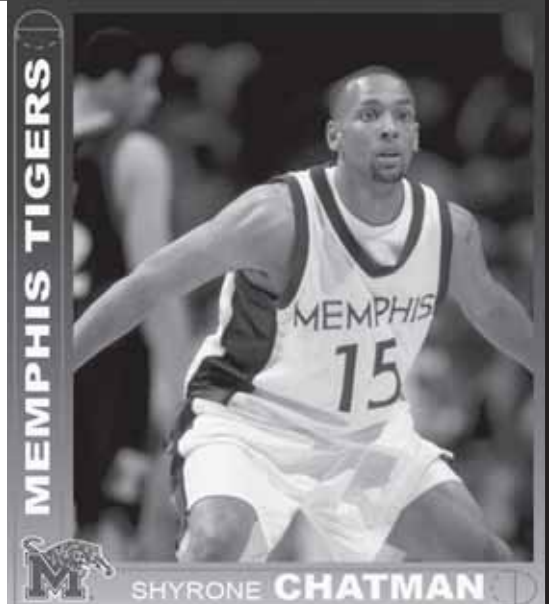
The 2002 University of Memphis graduate joins the Tiger basketball staff from his position with TennCare in the Tennessee Department of Human Services. Chatman's duties with the Tigers will be primarily in the video area with taping of games and film exchange with opponents. He will also be involved in other areas of the basketball operations.

Although he played only one season for Calipari, the 6-foot-4 guard flourished in his final season as a Tiger in 2000-01. In Calipari's first year as Memphis' head coach,

Chatman started 29 of 36 games and helped lead the Tigers to a 21-15 record and the National Invitation Tournament (NIT) final four. He averaged 9.2 points and 3.1 boards and dished out 165 assists. Chatman led Conference USA in assist-to-turnover ratio and was fifth in assists average. The Baton Rouge, La., native, who received the team's Playmaker Award that year, posted double-figure assists twice, including 10 dishes in a win over UTEP in the NIT. He also shot 40.6 percent from the arc in 2000-01, which is No. 6 on the Memphis single-season three-point percentage chart.

For his career, Chatman averaged 5.5 points and 2.1 rebounds and recorded 238 assists and 79 steals.

Chatman has a daughter, Hannah (3), and a son, Micah (1).





**CHRIS
SIMMONS**

**ATHLETIC TRAINER
FIRST YEAR
MEMPHIS, 2002**

Chris Simmons is in his first year as the athletic trainer for the University of Memphis men's basketball program. Simmons makes a return to the university where he earned his bachelor's degree in Exercise and Sport Science in 2002.

In his role with the Tigers, Simmons is responsible for injury prevention and rehabilitation and serves as the liaison between team doctors and the coaching staff.

Simmons, a McComb, Miss., native, comes to the Memphis athletics department after working the previous year as the head trainer for the Arkansas RimRockers of the NBDL. In that position, he was responsible for coordinating all athletic training, team equipment and medical billing and assisted the team with travel administration.

Prior to accepting the RimRockers' post in summer of 2005, Simmons was a graduate assistant athletic trainer at the University of Arkansas, where he earned a master's degree in Education with a concentration in Sports Management in December of 2004. While pursuing his master's, Simmons worked with the Razorback football team from 2002-04.

As an undergraduate at Memphis, he was a student athletic trainer for the Tigers' football, men's basketball and baseball teams.

Simmons also completed two internships while in school. He was an athletic training intern for the National Football League's Cleveland Browns at summer training camps in 2000 and 2001. He was an intern for the NBA's Houston Rockets this past summer.

Simmons is a certified member of the National Athletic Trainers' Association and National Society of Black Athletic Trainers.



**LUNETHA PRYOR
BASKETBALL OFFICE COORDINATOR**

Beginning her 10th season as the University of Memphis basketball program's office coordinator and 20th year in the Tiger athletic department is Lunetha Pryor.

Before joining the basketball office staff, Pryor worked for 11 years in the athletic business office and the department's ticket office.

Pryor enjoys watching basketball and football in her spare time. She has a 10-year-old daughter, Kia Symone.



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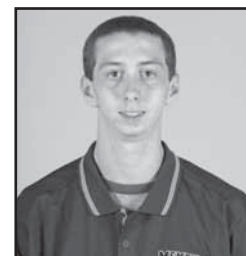
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