



JOSH PASTNER

HEAD COACH | FIRST SEASON | ARIZONA, 1998

The Pastner File

Birthdate..... September 26, 1977
 Hometown..... Kingwood, Texas
 High SchoolKingwood
 CollegeArizona, 1998
 (Bachelor's)
 Arizona, 1999
 (Master's)
 Familywife, Kerri

Coaching History

2009..... Memphis
 Head Coach
 2008-09 Memphis
 Assistant Coach
 2002-08 Arizona
 Assistant Coach
 2001-02 Arizona
 Video Coordinator/
 Recruiting Coordinator
 2000-01 Arizona
 Undergraduate Assistant
 Coach

Postseason History

2008-09 Memphis
 NCAA Sweet Sixteen
 2007-08 Arizona
 NCAA First Round
 2006-07 Arizona
 NCAA First Round
 2005-06 Arizona
 NCAA Second Round
 2004-05 Arizona
 NCAA Elite Eight
 2003-04 Arizona
 NCAA First Round
 2002-03 Arizona
 NCAA Elite Eight
 2001-02 Arizona
 NCAA Sweet Sixteen
 2000-01 Arizona
 NCAA Championship
 Game

Conference Titles

2008-09 Memphis
 Conference USA
 (regular season/tournament)
 2004-05 Arizona
 Pac-10 Conference
 (regular season)
 2002-03 Arizona
 Pac-10 Conference
 (regular season)
 2001-02 Arizona
 Pac-10 Conference
 (tournament)

Quick, name the person who appears on the NCAA Division I men's basketball youngest head coaches list and yet has already coached 12 NBA lottery picks?

If you're stumped, don't feel bad. There are many college hoops experts that may not even know.

The answer to the question is University of Memphis first-year head coach Josh Pastner, who took over the reins of the Tiger basketball program at 31 years of age on Apr. 7, 2009. Although he is the third-youngest head coach in NCAA Division I, Pastner has a resume that many would like to have.

Speaking of those Pastner's NBA lottery picks, the names make up a list of who's who in "The League." The players are Jason Terry, Channing Frye, Jarryd Bayless, Andre Iguodala, Richard Jefferson, Michael Dickerson and Mike Bibby from his time at Arizona. Then, add to that, Emeka Okafor, T.J. Ford and Daniel Gibson when Pastner coached the Houston Hoops summer squad, and that's rather impressive.

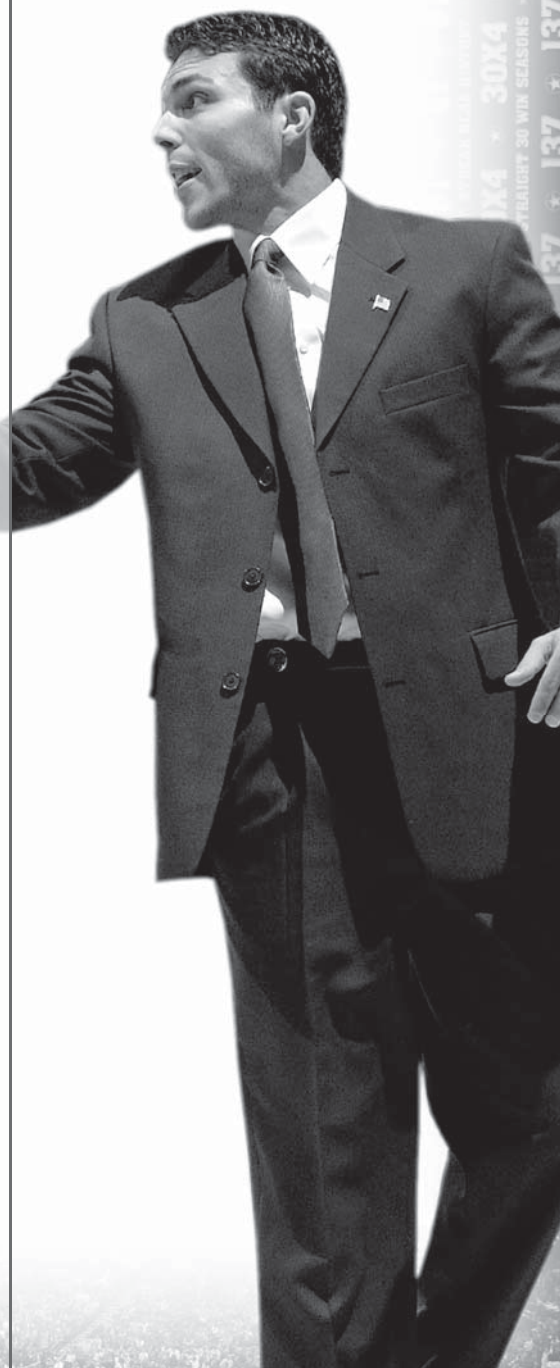
But, there's more. In late June, Pastner added two more players to his NBA Draft lottery list when Arizona's Jordan Hill and Memphis' Tyreke Evans were two of the 2009 NBA Draft's top 13 selections.

Pastner's impressive resume, though, doesn't end there. He's won an NCAA title as a player at Arizona (1997), and also made a trip to the NCAA championship game while on the Wildcats' staff (2001). As an assistant coach since 2003 (six years at Arizona, one year at Memphis), Pastner's teams advanced to four NCAA Sweet Sixteens and two Elite Eights. In fact, Pastner has participated in the NCAA Tournament all 13 years he has been involved in college basketball as a player, staff member or assistant coach.

And now, he brings that exceptional background to the role as the 17th head coach in Memphis basketball history.

Pastner came to Memphis as an assistant coach in May of 2008, and in only his first season as an assistant on the staff in 2008-09, he helped the Tigers continue their rarefied success. Last year, Memphis continued its magical ride with a 33-4 overall record and another perfect 16-0 mark in the Conference USA regular season — the program's third-straight year of perfection in league play.

The Tigers entered the NCAA Tournament Sweet Sixteen on a school-record 27-game win streak, also the longest in the nation. This past year's Sweet Six-





Youngest Division I Head Coaches (Entering 2009-10)

Coach, School	Age	Birthdate
Dane Fife, IPFW	30	July 26, 1979
Jason James, UT Martin	31	Oct. 10, 1977
Josh Pastner, Memphis	32	Sept. 26, 1977
Joe Pasternack, New Orleans	32	Apr. 15, 1977
Shaka Smart, VCU	32	Apr. 8, 1977
Brad Stevens, Butler	33	Oct. 22, 1976

Pastner's (Bullet) Points

- One of the youngest head coaches in NCAA Division I basketball in 2009-10
- Has been a part of teams (as a player, staff member or assistant coach) that have played in the last 13 NCAA Tournaments
- In *Basketball Times* April 2009 issue, Pastner was ranked the No. 5 assistant coach in the nation
- In 2008, FoxSports.com named him the No. 7 recruiter in the nation
- In 2005, Rivals.com Chris Wallace ranked Pastner as one of the nation's top 25 recruiters
- A member of the 1997 Arizona squad that won the NCAA title; that squad is still the only one in NCAA history to defeat three No. 1 seeds en route to the title (Kansas, North Carolina, Kentucky)
- Earned his bachelor's degree from Arizona in 2.5 years (December 1998), the fastest a Wildcat student-athlete ever earned a degree; earned his master's degree a year later in December 1999
- Applied for the Los Angeles Clippers' head coaching position when he was 19-years-old
- Also applied for Prairie View's head coaching position when he was 21-years-old
- Was a player, head coach and organizer of AAU's Houston Hoops by the age of 16

Playing History

1996-2000 Arizona
 Four-year letterwinner

Postseason History (Player)

1999-2000 Arizona
 NCAA Second Round
 1998-99 Arizona
 NCAA First Round
 1997-98 Arizona
 NCAA Elite Eight
 1996-97 Arizona
 NCAA Champion

Conference Titles (Player)

1999-2000 Arizona
 Pac-10 Conference
 (regular season)
 1997-98 Arizona
 Pac-10 Conference
 (regular season)

Pastner's NBA Picks

Team	Player	Year	
Memphis	Tyreke Evans	2009	
	Robert Dozier	2009	
	Arizona	Chase Budinger	2009
		Jordan Hill	2009
		Jerryd Bayless	2008
		Marcus Williams	2007
	Hassan Adams	2006	
	Salim Stoudemire	2005	
	Channing Frye	2005	
	Andre Iguodala	2004	
Luke Walton	2003		
Gilbert Arenas	2001		
Richard Jefferson	2001		
A.J. Bramlett	1999		
Jason Terry	1999		
Miles Simon	1998		
Michael Dickerson	1998		
Mike Bibby	1998		
Houston Hoops (AAU)	Daniel Gibson	2006	
	Emeka Okafor	2004	
	T.J. Ford	2003	
	Rashard Lewis	1998	
	Stephen Jackson	1997	

teen appearance was the program's fourth straight, tying a school mark.

Memphis made it another sweep of the C-USA crowns, winning the league's tournament for a fourth-consecutive season. The Tigers also jumped into the top five of both national polls, reaching as high as the No. 2 spot. Memphis finished the regular season ranked No. 3 in the final Associated Press poll and No. 2 in the ESPN/USA Today poll. In the final coaches poll after the NCAA Tournament, the Tigers were ranked No. 9.

Pastner came to Memphis after a successful six-year stint as an assistant coach on Hall of Famer Lute Olson's staff at the University of Arizona. From 2003-08, Arizona averaged nearly 23 wins per season (137-60 record; .695 winning percentage), captured two Pac-10 regular season championships (2003, 2005) and advanced to two NCAA Tournament regional finals (2003, 2005). The Wildcats earned NCAA Tournament berths in each of Pastner's six seasons as an assistant coach.

Pastner, who was with the Arizona program as a player, administrator and coach since 1996, was a key cog in the Wildcats' recruiting efforts and working with the program's big men.

In his six seasons as an assistant in Tucson, Pastner's tireless efforts on the recruiting trail paid big dividends, as the Wildcats continued to successfully recruit top-notch student-athletes. Arizona's recruiting classes were among the best nationally in each of his six seasons as an assistant. In June of 2005, then-Rivals.com's writer and current Memphis Grizzlies' general manager Chris Wallace named Pastner one of college basketball's top 25 recruiters, writing, "Any list of top recruiters must include Pastner." In May 2008, FoxSports.com rated Pastner as the No. 7 high-major recruiter in the country. And just recently, *Basketball Times* named Pastner the

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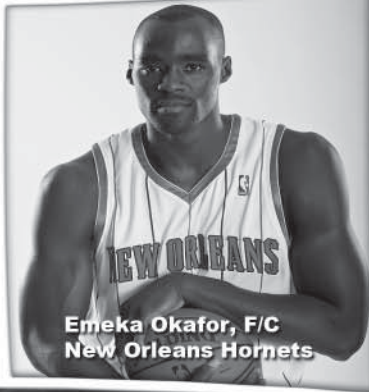
Josh Pastner, joined by Memphis Grizzlies General Manager Chris Wallace, was introduced during the Grizzlies regular season finale at FedExForum in 2009.

Daniel Gibson, G
Cleveland Cavaliers

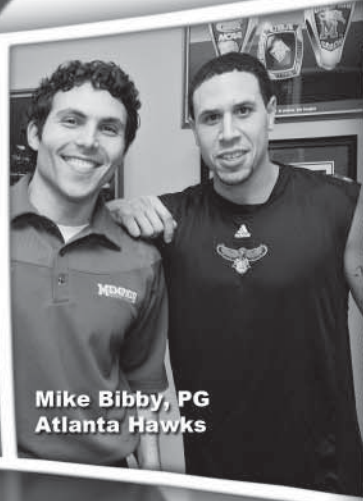
Pastner's NBA Protégés



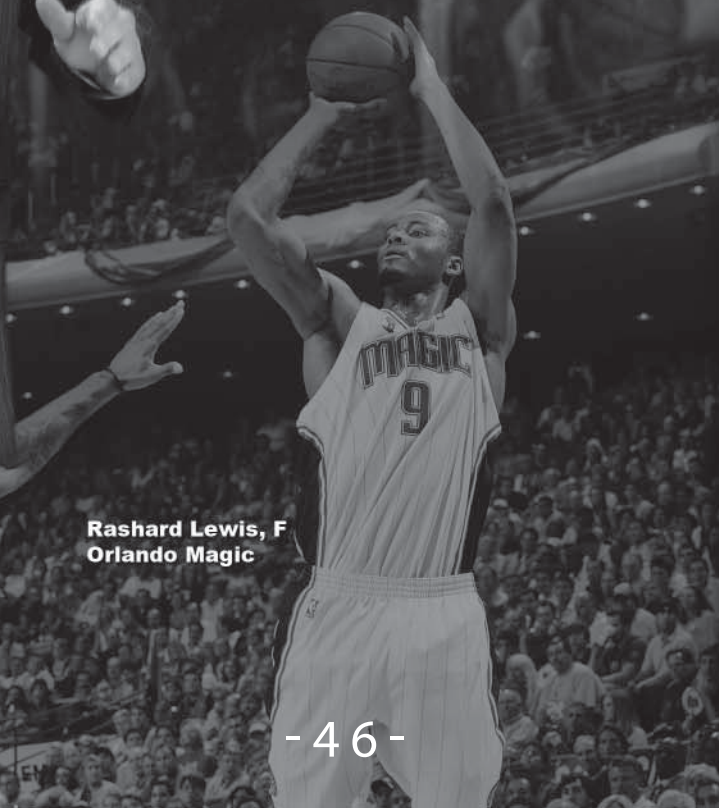
Tyreke Evans, G
Sacramento Kings



Emeka Okafor, F/C
New Orleans Hornets

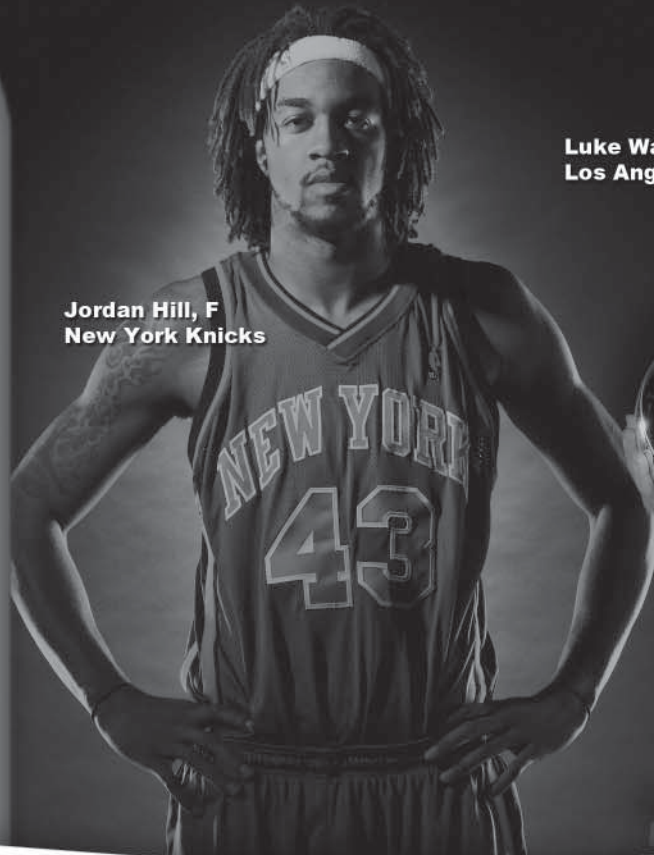


Mike Bibby, PG
Atlanta Hawks



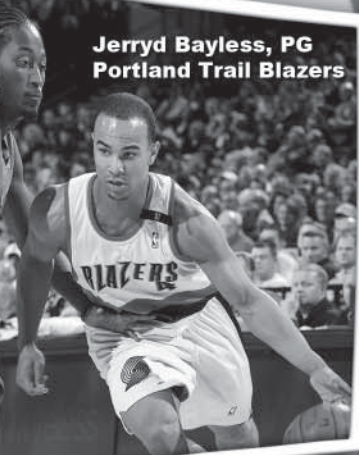
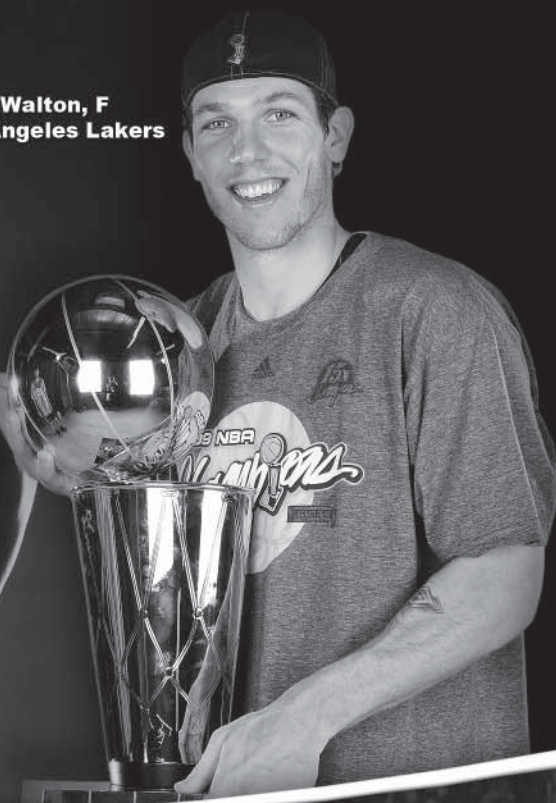
Rashard Lewis, F
Orlando Magic

NBA

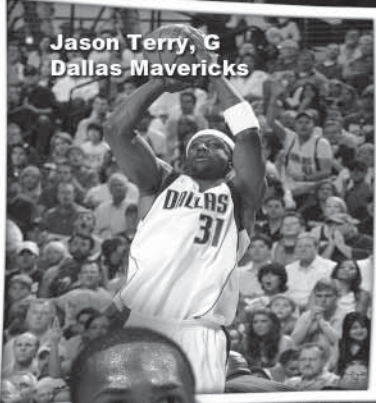


Jordan Hill, F
New York Knicks

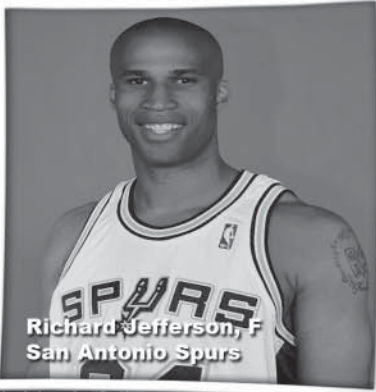
Luke Walton, F
Los Angeles Lakers



Jerryd Bayless, PG
Portland Trail Blazers



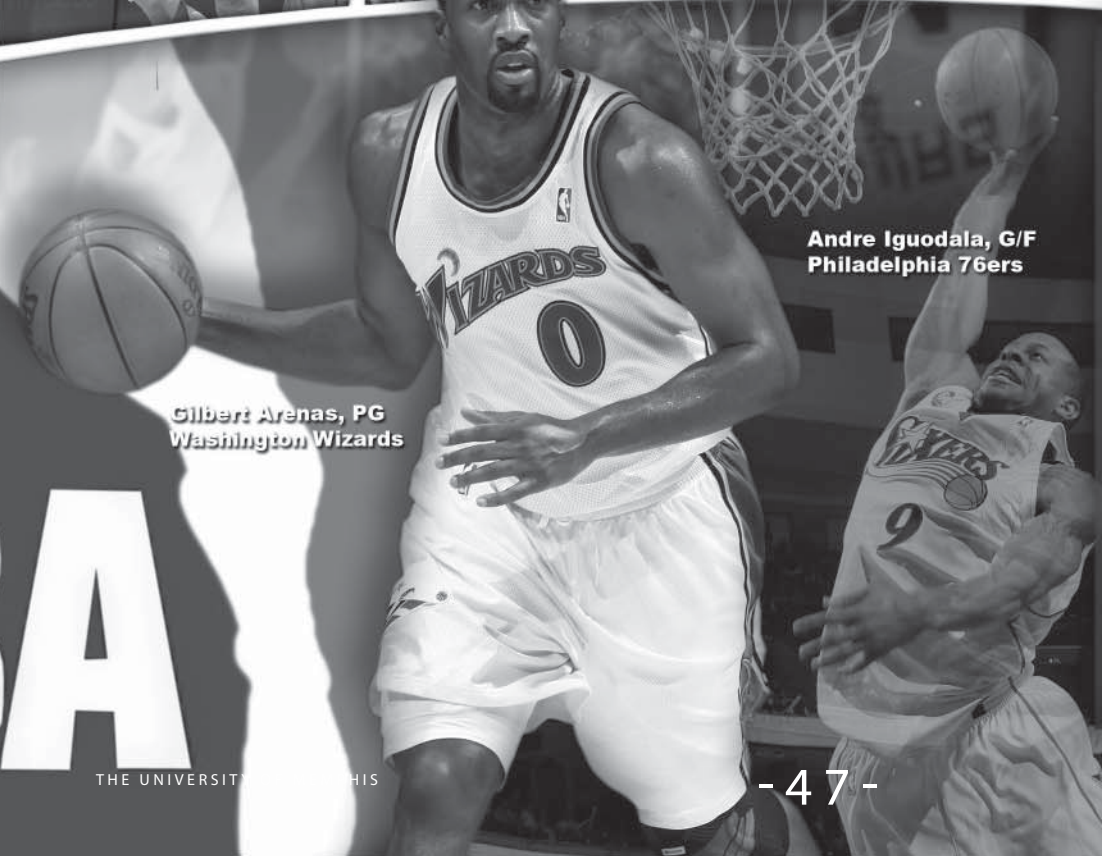
Jason Terry, G
Dallas Mavericks



Richard Jefferson, F
San Antonio Spurs



Stephen Jackson, G/F
Golden State Warriors



Gilbert Arenas, PG
Washington Wizards

Andre Iguodala, G/F
Philadelphia 76ers

PASTNER'S NBA CONNECTIONS

- Memphis**
 - Tyreke Evans
 - Robert Dozier
- Arizona**
 - Chase Budinger
 - Jordan Hill
 - Jerryd Bayless
 - Marcus Williams
 - Hassan Adams
 - Salim Stoudemire
 - Channing Frye
 - Andre Iguodala
 - Luke Walton
 - Gilbert Arenas
 - Richard Jefferson
 - A.J. Bramlett
 - Jason Terry
 - Miles Simon
 - Michael Dickerson
 - Mike Bibby
- Houston Hoops (AAU)**
 - Daniel Gibson
 - Emeka Okafor
 - T.J. Ford
 - Rashard Lewis
 - Stephen Jackson





Josh Pastner meeting former U.S. President Bill Clinton during Arizona's trip to the White House after winning the NCAA Championship in 1997.

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No. 5 assistant coach in the country in the publication's April 2009 issue.

During his time at Arizona, Pastner was also involved in a wealth of charitable organizations, including the Boys and Girls Clubs of Tucson, Boy Scouts of America, Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, Naval Special Warfare Foundation, Special Olympics and various local law enforcement support groups to name a few. His charitable efforts got him named to the *Tucson Business Edge's* "40 Under 40" list for 2007. The honor recognizes local business leaders under 40 years of age. The annual list not only recognizes recipients for professional success, but community involvement, public service and participation in trade groups or professional organizations.

Pastner played in 42 games as a Wildcat and finished his career with an average of 0.9 ppg. The Wildcats were 42-0 in the games in which he appeared.

Despite his lack of playing time, Pastner's presence in the Arizona program was invaluable, performing many of the small "behind-the-scenes"

things that helped the team win the 1997 NCAA championship and two Pac-10 titles (1998, 2000) during his career. Pastner helped break down game tapes and scout opponents, and he was the shot specialist for many of the Wildcat players. In his 12 overall years with the program, Arizona had a 290-103 record (.738 winning percentage).

Pastner earned his bachelor's degree in Family Studies from Arizona in December 1998, two-and-a-half years after enrolling, the fastest an Arizona student-athlete has ever earned a degree. He finished his master's in Teaching and Teacher Education in December 1999 before beginning work on his doctorate. In his role as an undergraduate assistant in 2000-01, Pastner began pursuit of another undergraduate degree.

Despite taking as many as 33 units a semester while at Arizona, Pastner maintained a high grade-point average, was nominated for the CoSIDA/GTE Academic All-America team and was named to the Academic All-Pac-10 second team as a senior in 2000.

On May, 16, 2009, Pastner married the former Kerri Lamas, and the couple resides in Memphis.

NCAA DIVISION I COACHES HIRED UNDER 35 YEARS OLD

- **Rick Pitino, Boston Univ. 25 yrs old**
Served four years as asst. at Hawaii and Syracuse before being named head coach at Boston University
- **Mike Krzyzewski, Army 28 yrs old**
Served as a graduate asst. under Bob Knight at Indiana before being named head coach at Army
- **Billy Donovan, Marshall 28 yrs old**
Served five years as asst. under Rick Pitino at Kentucky before being named head coach at Marshall; two years later at the age of 30, he was hired at Florida
- **John Calipari, UMass..... 29 yrs old**
Served six years as asst. at Kansas and Pittsburgh before being named head coach at UMass
- **Dean Smith, N. Carolina 30 yrs old**
Served three years as asst. under Frank McGuire before being named head coach
- **Bill Self, Oral Roberts 30 yrs old**
Served eight years as asst. at Kansas and Oklahoma State before being named head coach at Oral Roberts
- **Jim Boeheim, Syracuse 31 yrs old**
Served seven years as asst. at Syracuse before being named the Orange head coach

JOSH PASTNER CAREER RECORD

Season	Team/Position	Overall		Conference		Accomplishments
		W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.	
2008-09	Memphis/Asst.	33-4	.892	16-0	1.000	C-USA Champ (R/T); NCAA Sweet 16
2007-08	Arizona/Asst.	19-15	.559	8-10	.444	NCAA First Round
2006-07	Arizona/Asst.	20-11	.645	11-7	.611	NCAA First Round
2005-06	Arizona/Asst.	20-13	.606	11-7	.611	NCAA Second Round
2004-05	Arizona/Asst.	30-7	.811	15-3	.833	Pac-10 Champ (R); NCAA Elite Eight
2003-04	Arizona/Asst.	20-10	.667	11-7	.611	NCAA First Round
2002-03	Arizona/Asst.	28-4	.875	17-1	.944	Pac-10 Champ (R); NCAA Elite Eight
2001-02	Arizona/Video*	24-10	.706	12-6	.667	Pac-10 Champ (T); NCAA Sweet 16
2000-01	Arizona/Asst.#	25-6	.806	15-3	.833	NCAA Title Game
1999-2000	Arizona/Player	27-7	.794	15-3	.833	Pac-10 Champ (R); NCAA Second Round
1998-99	Arizona/Player	22-6	.786	13-5	.722	NCAA First Round
1997-98	Arizona/Player	30-5	.857	17-1	.944	Pac-10 Champ (R); NCAA Elite Eight
1996-97	Arizona/Player	25-9	.735	11-7	.611	NCAA Champion
Memphis Totals		33-4	.892	16-0	1.000	2 conference titles (R/T), 1 NCAA, 1 Sweet 16
Arizona Totals (Staff/Player)		290-103	.738	156-59	.726	5 conference titles (4 R/1 T), 12 NAAs, 6 Sweet 16s, 5 Elite Eights, 2 Final Fours 2 NCAA title games, 1 NCAA title

Totals 323-107 .751 172-59 .745
 R — denotes conf. regular season title; T — denotes conf. tournament title
 * also served as recruiting coordinator
 # undergraduate assistant coach

