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2010 TRACK AND FIELD

A brand new era was ushered in for the University of Memphis track & field program on Aug. 17, 2006. The U of M athletic department announced that former Memphis athlete and C-USA Champion, assistant coach Kevin Robinson, would become the first person in school history to assume the title of head coach of both the Tigers' men's and women's track and field programs.

Robinson is no stranger to success. As a Tiger, the seven-time conference champion was a U of M record holder in four events, the indoor shot put and weight throw and the outdoor shot put and hammer throw. He brings the same higher standard of success and work ethic from the throwing ring to the head coaching realm as he moves forward with the University of Memphis Track & Field program. In four years at the helm, he has taken the program to brand new heights, including winning the school's first Men's Conference USA Outdoor Track & Field Championship in 2007. The C-USA coaches voted him C-USA Coach of the Year in 2007. In 2009, 15 Tigers earned a total of 20 All-C-USA performances and three Tigers took home C-USA Championships.

Robinson has coached 57 different All-Conference athletes who have amassed 193 total All-C-USA performances. With his keen ability to recruit the best regional, state, national and international athletes to the University of Memphis, he has quickly transformed the Memphis track and field program into a genuine C-USA championship contender and national player. In four years under Robinson, Memphis has produced 13 C-USA Champions that have recorded 25 C-USA Championship performances. He has also taken seven athletes to compete at the NCAA Championships in eight separate events, resulting in eight All-America performances.

Including his years as an assistant coach, Robinson has coached eight All-Americans, along with 17 NCAA Championship participants. He has also coached three NCAA Mid-East Regional Champions. Five Memphis athletes have received United States Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) indoor and outdoor All-America honors, four earned USTFCCCA Midwest Region All-America accolades and three received USTFCCCA Academic All-America awards.

Memphis athletes have also etched their name in several Conference USA awards, including an outdoor C-USA Athlete of the Year, three C-USA Freshmen of the Year awards, two C-USA Newcomer of the Year awards, 14 C-USA Athletes of the Week performances by eight athletes, three best performances of the C-USA Championship meet, three high point performances of the C-USA Championship meet, four C-USA All-Academic Team members, and one cross country team that earned the C-USA All-Academic Team Award. The C-USA record book features four Memphis record holders since Robinson took the helm at the U of M.

In 2003, his first year as an assistant coach at Memphis, Robinson helped three Tigers earn a combined five individual C-USA titles and set five school records. In that same season, the Tigers produced three regional qualifiers in four events. Robinson also worked closely with Memphis thrower Gaute Myklebust who was awarded the C-USA Male Outdoor Athlete of the Year honor.

The Tigers continued to find success in Robinson's second year as an assistant. After winning a second-straight conference Outdoor Athlete of the Year award and an NCAA Mid-East Regional title, Myklebust placed fourth in the discus at the NCAA Championship. The finish was the highest-ever for a Memphis thrower and made Myklebust Memphis' first All-American in more than 20 years.

**KEVIN
ROBINSON
HEAD COACH
FOURTH SEASON**



COACHING EXPERIENCE

<u>Years</u>	<u>Capacity</u>	<u>University</u>
2006-present	Head Coach	Memphis
2002-2005	Assistant Coach	Memphis
1998-2002	Assistant Coach	Southern Illinois

COACHING ACHIEVEMENTS

- 2007 C-USA Coach of the Year
- Eight All-Americans
- 14 NCAA Championship Participants
- Three NCAA Regional Champions
- 2007 C-USA Men's Outdoor Championship
- 33 C-USA Champions
- 193 All-C-USA Honorees

ATHLETIC EXPERIENCE

- 1993 Great Midwest Conference Newcomer of the Year
- 1994 C-USA Indoor Athlete of the Year
- Seven-time C-USA/GMC Champion
- C-USA hammer champion three years in a row (1996-98)
- Seven-time NCAA Outdoor Qualifier
- Set school records in indoor shot put, indoor weight throw, outdoor shot put and outdoor hammer.

EDUCATION

- B.S. University of Memphis (1998)

"Success favors the well prepared"





Gaute Myklebust
Two-time World Championships Participant

The two-time NCAA Qualifier was named the 2003 and 2004 C-USA Male Athlete of the Year. The four-time C-USA Champion currently holds the school records in shot put and discus.

Keenan Gibson
 2004 Olympian

The first Lady Tiger to qualify for the NCAA Championships. School record holder in the 200m dash. C-USA Champion in the 200m dash.



Gail Lee
9th Place- 2008 Olympic Trials

Two-time All-American shot put thrower and three-time NCAA Championship qualifier in her career at the U of M. Lee currently holds the hammer and weight throw school records.

Susan King
 5th Place- 2008 Olympic Trials

NCAA runner-up in shot put and NCAA Regional Champion. The six-time NCAA Qualifier holds the school record in the discus. King was a two-time C-USA Champion and was named the 2008 C-USA Women's Athlete of the Year.

Daniel Kiss
 2008 Olympian
Two-Time World Championships Participant

School record holder in 60m and 110m hurdles. Ranked in the top-five nationally in the 110m hurdles in 2005.





**COACH ROBINSON, WIFE DAWN
AND SONS SEBASTIAN, TRISTAN AND MATTHIAS**

His 2004 campaign featured impressive performances by Robinson's jumpers. Lisa-Marie Hyman placed second in the triple jump at the conference meet and set a Memphis record in the event. The field event athletes also set two other school records in the women's heptathlon and the men's pentathlon.

Despite the incredible accomplishments during his first two years at Memphis, 2005 proved to be Robinson's banner year. His athletes set six school records, won three C-USA titles and tallied four runner-up finishes, a C-USA Female Freshman of the Year honor and two NCAA Championship appearances.

Thrower Gail Lee was responsible for many of those accomplishments as she broke indoor records in both the shot put and weight throw. Lee also was the C-USA Champion in the weight throw and runner-up in the shot put. Lee's shot put marks qualified her for NCAA Indoor Championships.

In that same season, J.D. Erickson added a conference title in the shot put and Janon Busby won the triple jump event at the conference indoor meet. Chen Edri broke three school records and earned the title of C-USA Female Freshman of the Year. Hyman put up a second-place finish in the outdoor triple jump and made her first trip to the NCAA Championships.

In 2006, Robinson helped Erickson to a second-straight conference indoor title in the shot put and a school record in the indoor weight throw. Lee made her second consecutive appearance in the top-10 in the shot put at the NCAA Championships. Sivan Aballi and Amaechi Oselukwue both earned second-place honors at the C-USA Championships.

The 2009 season saw the Tigers amass 200 All-C-USA performances and three C-USA titles. Under the guidance of Robinson, thrower Steffen Nerdal finished second in the weight throw at the NCAA Championships to earn All-America status. Nerdal and the Tiger throwers were redshirted in the 2009 Outdoor season in preparation for the 2010 Outdoor campaign.

In all, Robinson has seen his athletes break 24 school records, pile up 33 C-USA titles and earn over 190 all-conference performances during his time at Memphis.

Along with their success on the track, Robinson's athletes also excelled in the classroom. Myklebust was named to the CoSIDA Academic All-District and C-USA Scholar Athlete teams in 2004, while Hyman was a CoSIDA All-American in 2004 and 2005 and was awarded one of only six C-USA Postgraduate Scholarships. In 2006, Aballi was named to the CoSIDA Academic All-District team.

Following his career as a student-athlete at the U of M, Robinson began his coaching career as an assistant at Southern Illinois from 1998

through 2002. During his stint at SIU, he coached a group of eight athletes to 13 individual Missouri Valley Conference championships. Robinson's athletes set three conference records and six school records. He also had nine individuals qualify for the NCAA Regionals and had two All-Americans.

At the 2001 USA Track and Field Championships, Robinson coached Brian Miller to a fifth-place finish in the shot put. That season, Miller ranked fifth nationally and 15th in the world.

As a Tiger, Robinson is one of the most decorated throwers in Memphis history. His dominating prowess in the shot put, weight throw, and hammer throw as a Tiger is unmatched. During his freshman campaign, he won the indoor shot put event in Memphis' last year as a member of the Great Midwest Conference at the 1994 GMC Indoor Championships. In his sophomore season, Robinson was named the C-USA Athlete of the Year at the indoor championships after he won the indoor weight throw, and finished second in the indoor shot put. The four-time C-USA Athlete of the Week award winner also qualified for the NCAA Outdoor Championships in 1997 and 1998 in seven combined events. As a sophomore and a senior, he won C-USA indoor titles in both the weight throw and hammer throw.

Robinson is part of another elite C-USA group of only eight men who have won three or more C-USA Outdoor Titles in the same event (hammer throw, 1996-98). In total, Robinson owns six combined C-USA titles in the weight throw, and the hammer throw and one more GMC title in the shot put. When Robinson graduated in 1998 he was the record holder in four separate events including the indoor and outdoor shot, the 35lb. weight throw, and the hammer throw. His only record left standing today is the indoor shot put 18.06m (59-3).

In 1998, Robinson was named the National Strength and Conditioning Association Strength and Conditioning Athlete of the Year and an NSCA All-American. That season, he finished 13th in the shot put at the NCAA Championships with an effort of 57-4.25. He also qualified for the Olympic trials in 2000 in both the shot put and weightlifting.

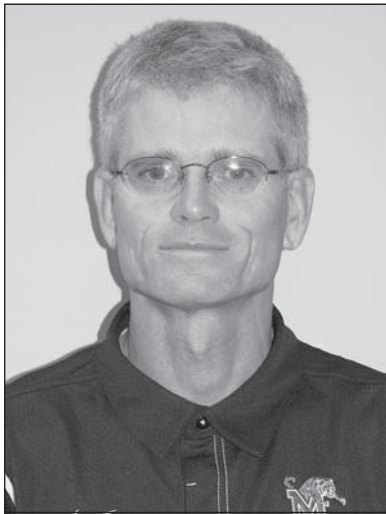
In 2003, Robinson gained certification in CPR, AED, and as an AFAA professional personal trainer. He has since become a Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist (CSCS) by the NSCA.

A native of Perryville, Mo., Robinson earned his degree in Exercise and Sport Science from Memphis in 1998. Robinson and his wife, Dawn, have three children, Sebastian (10), Tristan (6) and Matthias (2). They reside in Hernando, Miss.



DOUG CLARK

ASSISTANT COACH DISTANCE/MID DISTANCE FIRST SEASON



Doug Clark, in his first season at Memphis, has over 20 years of coaching experience, coaching 19 NCAA Division I All-Americans in the 1500m, Mile, 3000m, 3000m steeplechase, 5000m, distance medley relay and cross country and 32 additional NCAA Qualifiers.

Prior to coming to Memphis, Clark coached nine years at Kansas. In Clark's last five seasons at Kansas, the men's cross country team had four All-Americans. Clark's men's cross country team at Kansas finished 12th at the 2005 NCAA Championships and 20th at the 2006 NCAA Championships. He mentored three consecutive Big 12 Champions from 2004-06. He also coached Kansas alumnus Charlie Gruber to a second-place finish at the 2004 Olympic Trials, earning Gruber a place on the 2004 USA Olympic Team in the 1,500 meter run.

Prior to his nine year tenure at Kansas, Clark was an assistant coach at Tulsa under current Kansas coach Stanley Redwine from 1994-2000. While at Tulsa, Clark's teams held school records in the women's 1,000 meters, mile, 3,000 meters, 5,000 meters, distance medley relay, 4x800-meter relay and 1,500 meters as well as the men's 800 meters, mile, 3,000 meters, 5,000 meters, 1,500 meters, 3,000 meter steeplechase and distance medley relay. Clark coached distance runner Dwight Davis, who posted a 3:59.29 mile time to become Tulsa's first ever NCAA All-American.

In 1994 while at UTEP, Clark assisted the Miners to a No. 3 finish in the nation during the 1994 indoor season and national runner-up honors during the 1994 outdoor championships. Clark also coached former UTEP track athlete Jim Svenoy to the 1994 NCAA Championship in the 3,000-meter steeplechase.

Clark began his coaching career at the University of Arkansas as a volunteer assistant coach, being promoted to an assistant coach in 1991. While Clark was an assistant, the Razorbacks won all nine NCAA Championships in cross country (three), indoor track (three), and outdoor track (three) during the 1991-92, 1992-93 and 1993-94 school years, commonly referred to as the NCAA Triple Crown. As recruiting coordinator, Clark helped assemble one of the most dominant programs in the history of NCAA Track & Field and Cross Country.

A 1981 graduate of Central Missouri State University, Clark was an NCAA qualifier in cross country and qualified for the 1980 Olympic Marathon Trials, running 2:17:40. He was the top Masters runner in Oklahoma from 1996-2000 posting times of 14:58/5K, 25:45/8K, and 31:41/10K.

COACHING EXPERIENCE

Years	Capacity	University
2009-present	Assistant Coach	Memphis
2000-2009	Assistant Coach	Kansas
1994-2000	Assistant Coach	Tulsa
1994	Assistant Coach	UTEP
1987-1993	Assistant Coach	Arkansas

COACHING ACHIEVEMENTS

- NCAA Champion at UTEP (3000m Steeplechase)
- 2004 USA Olympian Charlie Gruber (1500m)
- 19 NCAA All-Americans
- 32 additional NCAA Qualifiers
- Two NCAA Top-20 Cross Country Teams
- Three-straight Cross Country Individual Big-12 Champions (2004-06)
- Six Big-12 Champions

ATHLETIC EXPERIENCE

- NCAA Qualifier
- 1980 Olympic Marathon Trials Qualifier
- Top Master's Runner in Oklahoma, 1996-2000

EDUCATION

- B.S. Central Missouri State University (1981)
- M.S. Sports Mgmt. - University of Arkansas (1989)

"Doug has, in a brief amount of time, been able to inject life and optimism into the distance program. He is a tireless recruiter with an extensive knowledge base for the events. His wealth of experience as an athlete, coach, mentor, and educator make him an invaluable asset to the track and cross country teams. Doug Clark has an insatiable passion for coaching the distance events, and will not be held back!"

HEAD COACH KEVIN ROBINSON

NIC FORTENBERRY

**ASSISTANT COACH:
SPRINTS/HURDLES
FOURTH SEASON**



In just his fourth year as an assistant coach to head coach Kevin Robinson, Nic Fortenberry has already seen great success achieved by several Tiger athletes. Fortenberry has coached two NCAA qualifiers, 12 NCAA Regional Qualifiers and eight C-USA Champions.

One of Fortenberry's pupils entering the 2009-10 track and field season is junior Aaron Whetstone. Under the guidance of Fortenberry and the Memphis coaching staff, Whetstone has captured two C-USA crowns and four All-C-USA performances. In the 2008 C-USA Outdoor Championships, Fortenberry saw Whetstone set a conference meet record with a first-place triple jump leap of 16.60m (54-05.50). Whetstone's jump broke the Memphis school record and was the No. 1 jump in the nation for a brief period of 2008.

For the second consecutive season, three or more of Fortenberry's athletes qualified for the 2009 NCAA Mideast Regionals. Five Tigers qualified for the Mideast Regionals and two of the athletes advanced to the finals of the Regionals. Three of Fortenberry's athletes qualified for the 2008 NCAA Mideast Regionals, with all of them winning individual crowns at the C-USA Outdoor Championships. He has had nine regional qualifiers in his initial two years of coaching, including seven C-USA Champions.

Under Fortenberry, NCAA Mideast qualifier hurdler Amaechi Oselukwue successfully defended his Conference USA title in the 110 hurdles, as he raced to an impressive 14.16 time.

In Fortenberry's first season, the Tiger sprinters and hurdlers played a pivotal role in the men's team's C-USA Outdoor Championship, scoring a total of 56 points.

Fortenberry has more than a decade of experience as both an athlete and a coach at the high school and collegiate levels. As a prep standout at Tylertown High School in Tylertown, Miss., Fortenberry was the captain of the track team, a four-year letterman, and a three-year state qualifier.

Fortenberry enrolled at Louisiana State University on a Naval ROTC scholarship during the summer of 1992. In 1993, he joined the LSU track and field team. Fortenberry competed in cross-country, the 800m dash and the 400m hurdles for the Tigers.

He began his coaching career in 1997 as an assistant track coach and head cross country coach at Kirby High School in Memphis. He took over as the boy's head coach the following year.

In 2000, Fortenberry moved to Houston High under George Gibson, where he coached sprinters and multi-event athletes. He also served as the assistant cross country coach. During his time there, the cross country team won three state titles and the track team won the 2005 State Championship. Over 20 of his athletes have gone on to Division I programs, including former Memphis decathlete Jason Morgan.

Fortenberry graduated from LSU in 1996 with a degree in industrial education and construction management.

Nic is the father of two children, Gabe (12) and Jada (6).

COACHING EXPERIENCE

Years	Capacity	University
2006-present	Assistant Coach	Memphis
2000-2005	Assistant Coach	Houston HS
1998-2000	Head Boys Coach	Kirby HS
1997	Assistant Coach	Kirby HS

COACHING ACHIEVEMENTS

- Two NCAA Qualifiers
- 12 NCAA Regional Qualifiers
- Eight C-USA Champions

ATHLETIC EXPERIENCE

- Member of the LSU Track team, 1993-1995
- Four-year letterwinner and three-time state qualifier at Tylertown High School

EDUCATION

- B.S. Louisiana State University (1996)

"Nic is a very dedicated student of the speed and jumping events. His keen eye for sprint mechanics, and his ability to get the most out of his athletes when it matters the most, are great characteristics of a fundamentally sound coach. Nic continues to lead his athletes with honor, discipline, and integrity."

HEAD COACH KEVIN ROBINSON



T Tyler Fraizer enters his second season as an assistant track and field coach at the University of Memphis. Fraizer continues to work closely with the Tiger javelin throwers, pole vaulters and other field event athletes under his former coach Kevin Robinson. Fraizer also continues his duties as the coordinator of track and field operations for the Tigers.

Following the completion of his track and field career at the University of Memphis, Fraizer has taken his extensive knowledge and expertise of several field events to the coaching arena.

The 2007-08 season was Fraizer's first as a coach, but he had an immediate impact. Javelin thrower Christian McDonald had another impressive season, qualifying for the second time for the NCAA MidEast Regionals, where he set a personal-best throw of 64.9m (212-11).

Fraizer also assists with the U of M pole vaulters. Ashton Baldwin and Whitney Bolton both grabbed All-C-USA marks at the indoor and outdoor championships in 2008. Both vaulters tied their own indoor school record with a height of 3.75m (12-04.00). Baldwin also broke an outdoor pole vault school record at the Arkansas John McDonnell Invitational with a mark of 3.70m (12-01.5)

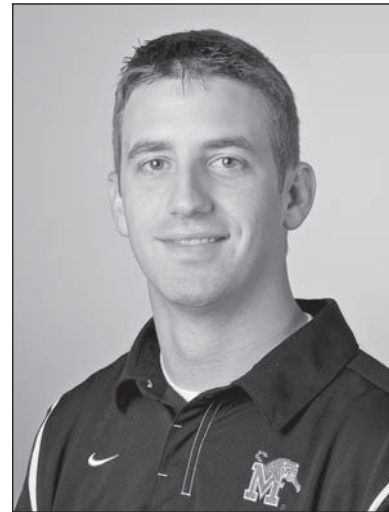
Before Fraizer joined the Tiger track and field coaching staff in Fall 2007, he was a member of the Memphis men's track and field team from 2005-07. While an athlete at Memphis, he was part of the 2007 C-USA Conference Outdoor Championship team, finishing fourth in the javelin at the C-USA Championships.

Prior to his time as an athlete at the University of Memphis, Fraizer spent time at Hutchinson Community College, where he earned All-American honors as a sophomore. He was a two-time qualifier for the NJCAA National Championships in the javelin in his freshman and sophomore campaign at Hutchinson and a Junior Olympic qualifier.

Frazier graduated with a bachelor's degree in interdisciplinary studies, from the University of Memphis in 2007. He is a native of Wichita, Kansas, attended Bishop Carroll Catholic HS.

TYLER FRAIZER

ASSISTANT COACH: JAVELIN/POLE VAULT THIRD SEASON



COACHING EXPERIENCE

Years	Capacity	University
2007-present	Assistant Coach	Memphis

COACHING ACHIEVEMENTS

- Christian McDonald- Two-time NCAA MidEast Regional Qualifier.
- Christian McDonald- School record holder javelin throw at 64.90m (212-11)
- Ashton Baldwin- University of Memphis record holder pole vault.
- Whitney Bolton- University of Memphis record holder pole vault.

ATHLETIC EXPERIENCE

- Member of the University of Memphis track and field team specializing in the javelin throw from 2005-2007.
- Member of the Hutchinson Community College track and field team from 2003-2005.

EDUCATION

- B.S. University of Memphis (2007)

"Tyler is a very versatile coach working primarily with the pole vaulters, but extending to help with the javelin and the multi event athletes. Tyler works closely with his athletes to ensure that they have the technical awareness to compete at their highest level. Being an alumni of the University of Memphis, and of the track and field team, Tyler has a passion for the program and for the institution that is difficult to replicate."

HEAD COACH KEVIN ROBINSON



CHRISSIE FELDMANN

GRADUATE ASSISTANT: MULTIS FIRST SEASON



Chrissie Feldmann joins the Memphis Tigers Track & Field coaching staff after a four year career at Marquette University. Feldmann spent three years as a jumper and one year as a participant in the heptathlon and pentathlon.

Feldmann graduated from Marquette in the spring of 2009 with a bachelor of science in exercise science. She is currently pursuing a master of science degree in exercise and sport science at the University of Memphis and is a graduate research assistant in the Musculoskeletal Dynamics Laboratory.

Feldmann will assist the coaching staff in all disciplines this season.

“Chrissie is a charismatic young coach who has brought a wealth of enthusiasm into the program. She has helped immensely in continuing to develop the multi event athletes, as well as working with the jumpers on occasion. The combination of her academic research, and her athletic experience will enable her to become a great coach in the future.”

HEAD COACH KEVIN ROBINSON

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