



COACHES AND SUPPORT STAFF

Kevin Stallings, Head Coach



Vanderbilt head coach Kevin Stallings has taken the Commodore basketball program to unparalleled heights in his 12 years at the helm, with success coming on the floor and in the classroom during his tenure. His teams have advanced to two Sweet 16 appearances, and off the floor, every Vanderbilt senior basketball player has received a degree. His teams have also made Memorial Gym, already one of the most unique arenas in America, a hostile and very challenging place for opposing teams.

This kind of success comes as no surprise to the players who put on the Vanderbilt jersey when adjectives

like competitive, personable, passionate, intense, honest, hard-working, knowledgeable and prepared describe their coach and the program they represent.

Twelve seasons into his stay in Nashville, Stallings has Vanderbilt in rarefied air in college basketball circles with eight postseason appearances, two NCAA Tournament Sweet 16 appearances in 2004 and 2007, five NCAA Tournament berths and six 20-win seasons. Stallings became the first coach to take two Vanderbilt teams to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament since the 64-65 team format; and the Commodore mentor has had SEC Players of the Year on his squad in three out of his 12 years in Nashville.

The list of accomplishments for the current Vanderbilt coach continues to grow:

- Stallings became the second Vanderbilt coach in school history to have three 20-win seasons (Roy Skinner) after the 2006-07 season. He now has six 20-win seasons, all in the last eight years, which ties all-time leader Roy Skinner, who also posted six 20-win campaigns.
- He was named SEC Coach of the Year by SEC Coaches in 2007 and 2010, only the third coach in Vanderbilt history to win two of the prestigious awards.
- Currently stands at 359 career wins and 236 wins in his 12-year tenure as Vanderbilt's head coach.
- He has coached three SEC Players of the Year (coaches) - Dan Langhi in 1999-2000, Derrick Byars in 2006-07, and Shan Foster in 2007-08 (AP and Coaches).
- Now in 16th place amongst winningest coaches in the SEC (at SEC institutions) with 236 Vanderbilt wins, and the second-most winningest active coach in the league.
- He coached four SEC Academic Honor Roll members in 2010-11 in Joe Duffy, Chris Meriwether, Aaron Noll, and Jordan Smart. It pushed his total number of SEC Academic Honor Roll selections to 37 during his 12-year tenure.
- He now has 359 career victories as a head coach, which makes him the third current SEC coach with 300 or more wins, and his 236 Vanderbilt wins ranks him second all-time in the Commodore record books behind Roy Skinner (278; 1959, 1962-76).

In fact, in his 32 years as a player or coach, success has followed Stallings throughout his basketball career as a player at Purdue, an assistant at both Purdue and Kansas and his previous head coaching position at Illinois State. During the time span, Stallings has been a part of 21 seasons with 20-or-more victories and a basketball season that concluded during postseason play 26 times.

Stallings has guided the Commodores to postseason play in seven out of the last eight seasons and in nine out of his 12 years at Vanderbilt. Included in those appearances are two Sweet 16 berths and back-to-back NCAA appearances in 2007

COACHING CAREER

- 1999-present **Vanderbilt**, Head Coach
- 1994-99 **Illinois State**, Head Coach
- 1989-93 **Kansas**, Asst. Coach
- 1983-88 **Purdue**, Asst. Coach

SEC Coach of the Year, 2007 and 2010, NABC District 21 Coach of the Year, 2010, NABC District 7 Coach of the Year, 2007.

PLAYING CAREER

- 1980-82 **Purdue**

Helped Purdue advance to Final Four in 1980.

FAMILY

Wife, Lisa; Son, Jacob (21), Daughters Alexa (17) and Jordyn (11)

13TH SEASON AT VANDERBILT

College
 Purdue
 B.A., Business Management & Marketing, 1982
 Masters, Counseling, 1985

High School
 Collinsville (Ill.)



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and 2008 and in 2010 and 2011.

The 2010-11 team knocked off five teams that advanced to the NCAA Tournament, including Kentucky, who eventually advanced to the Final Four. John Jenkins emerged as one of the nation's top shooters and led the SEC in scoring and three-pointers made. Under Stallings' tutelage, Festus Ezeli blossomed into an all-SEC center, and Jeffery Taylor continued to be one of the premiere perimeter players in the nation.

The 2009-10 Commodores finished the season with a 24-9 record, and a 12-4 mark in SEC play, Vanderbilt's best finish in league competition since 1993. The Commodores also were a handful on the road, winning six league games and sporting a 7-3 mark in true road contests. Vanderbilt swept Tennessee and Florida for the first time since 1966, and had four players named to an All-SEC postseason team.

The 2007-08 edition of the Commodores was one of the most successful teams of the Stallings era. Vanderbilt reeled off 16 consecutive wins to start the season, tied for the most wins in regular season history (25), advanced to the NCAA Tournament for the second consecutive year, the first time since 1988-89 that has occurred, won 10 games in the SEC for the second consecutive season, and saw one of his four-year seniors, Shan Foster, capture SEC Player of the Year honors, the Lowe's Senior CLASS Award, and become the school's all-time leading scorer. The Commodores tallied 25 regular season wins that year, which tied

STALLINGS' OVERALL RECORD VS. OPPONENTS

| | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|------|---------------------|-------|----------------------|-------|--------------------------|----------------|
| Akron | 1-0 | Evansville | 10-1 | Michigan | 1-1 | St. Joseph's | 1-0 |
| Alabama | 9-6 | Fairleigh Dickinson | 1-0 | Mississippi | 9-4 | St. Mary's (Calif.) | 3-0 |
| Alabama A&M | 4-0 | Florida | 7-19 | Mississippi State | 8-8 | SE Missouri State | 1-0 |
| Alcorn State | 1-0 | Florida State | 1-1 | Missouri | 1-1 | SW Missouri State | 9-5 |
| American | 1-0 | Furman | 2-1 | Missouri-KC | 1-0 | SE Louisiana | 2-0 |
| American-PR | 1-0 | George Washington | 1-0 | Monmouth | 0-1 | Stetson | 1-0 |
| Appalachian State | 3-1 | Georgetown | 1-2 | Morehead State | 2-0 | Tennessee | 11-14 |
| Arizona | 1-1 | Georgia | 15-10 | Mount St. Mary's | 1-0 | UT-Chattanooga | 1-0 |
| Arizona State | 0-1 | Georgia Southern | 1-0 | MTSU | 3-0 | Tennessee-Martin | 3-0 |
| Arkansas | 4-10 | Georgia Tech | 2-2 | Nebraska | 1-0 | Tennessee State | 4-0 |
| Auburn | 10-5 | Grambling St. | 1-0 | New Orleans | 1-0 | Tennessee Tech | 3-0 |
| Austin Peay | 2-0 | Hampton | 1-0 | Nicholls State | 1-0 | TCU | 2-0 |
| Belmont | 4-0 | Hawaii | 0-1 | Notre Dame | 1-3 | Texas-Pan American | 1-0 |
| Birmingham So. | 1-0 | Hawaii-Hilo | 1-0 | North Carolina | 1-0 | Toledo | 3-0 |
| Boston College | 1-1 | High Point | 1-0 | North Carolina State | 1-0 | Tulane | 1-2 |
| Bradley | 7-6 | Hofstra | 1-0 | UNC Greensboro | 1-0 | Tulsa | 4-2 |
| Bucknell | 1-0 | Houston | 1-0 | UNC Wilmington | 1-1 | Utah State | 2-0 |
| Butler | 0-1 | Illinois | 0-2 | Northeast Louisiana | 1-0 | Valparaiso | 1-0 |
| Cal Poly SLO | 1-0 | Illinois-Chicago | 2-2 | Northern Iowa | 8-7 | Vanderbilt | 0-1 |
| Cal State Northridge | 1-0 | Indiana | 2-1 | Northwestern | 2-1 | Va. Commonwealth | 2-1 |
| Centenary | 1-0 | Indiana State | 10-3 | Oakland | 1-1 | Wake Forest | 1-2 |
| Central Arkansas | 1-0 | IUPUI | 2-0 | Ohio | 2-0 | Washington State | 1-1 |
| Central Michigan | 1-0 | Iona | 2-0 | Oregon | 1-1 | West Virginia | 0-1 |
| Chaminade | 1-0 | Iowa State | 0-2 | Pacific | 1-0 | Western Carolina | 1-0 |
| Cincinnati | 0-4 | Jacksonville State | 1-0 | Pittsburgh | 2-0 | Western Kentucky | 4-1 |
| College of Charleston | 1-0 | James Madison | 1-1 | Presbyterian | 1-0 | Western Michigan | 1-0 |
| Colorado | 1-0 | Kentucky | 9-16 | PR-Mayaguez | 1-0 | Wichita State | 12-2 |
| Connecticut | 0-3 | LaSalle | 1-0 | Purdue | 0-1 | William & Mary | 1-0 |
| Creighton | 10-2 | Lehigh | 1-0 | Rice | 2-0 | Wisconsin | 1-2 |
| Davidson | 1-0 | Liberty | 1-0 | Richmond | 0-1 | Wisc.-Green Bay | 3-1 |
| Dayton | 3-0 | Lipscomb | 3-0 | Saint Francis | 1-0 | Wofford | 3-0 |
| DePaul | 3-2 | Louisiana-Lafayette | 1-0 | Santa Clara | 0-2 | Overall | 359-211 |
| Drake | 12-2 | Louisiana State | 10-6 | Siena | 0-1 | At Home | 230-59 |
| Duquesne | 0-2 | Louisiana Tech | 0-1 | South Alabama | 1-0 | On the Road | 85-119 |
| East Carolina | 1-1 | Manhattan | 1-0 | South Carolina | 11-13 | At Neutral Sites | 44-33 |
| Eastern Illinois | 1-0 | Marquette | 1-0 | S. Carolina State | 1-0 | NCAA Tournament | 5-7 |
| Eastern Kentucky | 1-0 | Massachusetts | 2-0 | South Florida | 1-0 | NIT | 6-6 |
| E. Tennessee State | 5-0 | Memphis | 0-1 | Southern Illinois | 7-8 | In Overtime Games | 13-12 |
| Elon | 1-0 | Mercer | 1-0 | Southern Miss | 2-0 | | |

the 1992-93 team for the most in school history, and knocked off the No. 1 team in the nation for the second consecutive season.

The 2003-04 campaign saw the Commodores advance to their first NCAA Tournament since 1993, reaching the Phoenix Regional Semifinals before bowing out to Connecticut, the eventual national champion; and in 2006-07, the Commodores knocked off George Washington and Washington State before dropping a 66-65 decision to Georgetown in the East Regional Semifinals.

In 2003-04, Vanderbilt set a then-school record with a 12-0 start, knocked off five nationally ranked opponents and

advanced to the semifinals of the SEC Tournament -- all of this before reaching the "Big Dance" and concluding its run with a 23-10 overall mark. In 2006-07, Vanderbilt had the SEC Player of the Year in Derrick Byars and knocked off seven ranked opponents during the year.

In all, Stallings has coached in eight postseason tournaments, four NCAA tournaments and four NIT's. The Commodores reached the NIT in 2000, 2002, 2005 and 2006; and in 2005, the Commodores made the quarterfinals of the NIT, winning at Indiana and outlasting Wichita State at the buzzer before falling at Memphis, one step short of reaching the semifinal round in New



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York City.

QUALITIES OF A CARING COACH

Throughout his tenure at Vanderbilt, Stallings has proven himself as a coach whose intensity from the bench and drive to compete matches his reputation as a talented tactician and his genuine concern for players. Since coming to Nashville, Stallings has embraced the Commodore basketball tradition while building a program based on quality players and dedicated students.

He has molded Commodore players into some of the finest in the SEC. Former Commodores Dan Langhi and Matt Freije blossomed under the direction of Stallings. Langhi earned the 2000 SEC Player of the Year award, while Freije became Vanderbilt's then-all-time leading scorer. Derrick Byars became Stallings' second player of the year in 2007, and wing Shan Foster became his third in 2008 and the program's first player to the 2,000-point barrier. Both Byars and Foster were second-round selections in the 2007 and 2008 NBA Draft, respectively.

At the same time, Stallings makes sure his players perform in the classroom. At Vanderbilt, all 37 of his seniors either have earned or are currently working toward their college degree. While at Illinois State, five Redbirds achieved Academic All-America status; and all but two

seniors earned their degree.

Since Stallings became head coach a Vanderbilt player has been named:

- All-SEC either by the Associated Press or the league's coaches 24 times.
- SEC Player of the Week 25 times.

- Academic All-SEC 37 times.

TRACK RECORD FOR SUCCESS

Prior to coming to Vanderbilt, Stallings coached six seasons at Illinois State

STALLINGS' RECORD THROUGH THE YEARS

| Year | School | Position | W-L | Conf. | Postseason |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|------------|----------------|----------------|------------------------------|
| 2011 | Vanderbilt | Head Coach | 23-11 | 9-7 | NCAA First Round |
| 2010 | Vanderbilt | Head Coach | 24-9 | 12-4 | NCAA First Round |
| 2009 | Vanderbilt | Head Coach | 19-12 | 8-8 | — |
| 2008 | Vanderbilt | Head Coach | 26-8 | 10-6 | NCAA First Round |
| 2007 | Vanderbilt | Head Coach | 22-12 | 10-6 | NCAA Regional Semifinals |
| 2006 | Vanderbilt | Head Coach | 17-13 | 7-9 | NIT First Round |
| 2005 | Vanderbilt | Head Coach | 20-14 | 8-8 | NIT Quarterfinals |
| 2004 | Vanderbilt | Head Coach | 23-10 | 8-8 | NCAA Regional Semifinals |
| 2003 | Vanderbilt | Head Coach | 11-18 | 3-13 | — |
| 2002 | Vanderbilt | Head Coach | 17-15 | 6-10 | NIT First Round [^] |
| 2001 | Vanderbilt | Head Coach | 15-15 | 4-12 | — |
| 2000 | Vanderbilt | Head Coach | 19-11 | 8-8 | NIT First Round |
| 1999 | Illinois State | Head Coach | 16-15 | 7-11 | — |
| 1998 | Illinois State | Head Coach | 25-6 | 16-2•# | NCAA Second Round |
| 1997 | Illinois State | Head Coach | 24-6 | 14-4•# | NCAA First Round |
| 1996 | Illinois State | Head Coach | 22-12 | 13-5 | NIT Quarterfinals |
| 1995 | Illinois State | Head Coach | 20-13 | 13-5 | NIT Second Round |
| 1994 | Illinois State | Head Coach | 16-11 | 12-6 | — |
| 1993 | Kansas | Assistant | 29-7 | 11-3• | NCAA Final Four |
| 1992 | Kansas | Assistant | 27-5 | 11-3•# | NCAA Second Round |
| 1991 | Kansas | Assistant | 27-8 | 10-4• | NCAA Final Four* |
| 1990 | Kansas | Assistant | 30-5 | 11-3 | NCAA Second Round |
| 1989 | Kansas | Assistant | 19-12 | 6-8 | — |
| 1988 | Purdue | Assistant | 29-4 | 16-2• | NCAA Sweet 16 |
| 1987 | Purdue | Assistant | 25-5 | 15-3• | NCAA Second Round |
| 1986 | Purdue | Assistant | 22-10 | 11-7 | NCAA First Round |
| 1985 | Purdue | Assistant | 20-9 | 12-6 | NCAA First Round |
| 1984 | Purdue | Assistant | 22-7 | 15-3• | NCAA First Round |
| 1983 | Purdue | Assistant | 21-9 | 11-7 | NCAA Second Round |
| 1982 | Purdue | Player | 18-14 | 11-7 | NIT Final Four |
| 1981 | Purdue | Player | 21-11 | 10-8 | NIT Final Four |
| 1980 | Purdue | Player | 27-8 | 11-7# | NCAA Final Four |
| 1979 | Belleville J.C. | Player | 28-9 | — | NJCAA Tournament |
| Totals at Vanderbilt | | | 236-148 | 93-101 | |
| Totals at Illinois State | | | 123-63 | 75-33 | |
| Head Coach Totals | | | 359-211 | 168-134 | |
| Totals at Kansas | | | 132-37 | 49-21 | |
| Totals at Purdue (coaching) | | | 139-44 | | |
| Totals at Purdue (playing) | | | 66-33 | | |

- - Regular season conference champions
- # - Conference tournament champions
- * - Lost in National Championship game



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(1994-99) in his first head coaching opportunity. Following the most successful coach in school history, Stallings raised the program to higher standards taking four teams to postseason tournaments, including two trips to the NCAA Tournament. He became the first men's basketball coach in the history of the Missouri Valley Conference to win back-to-back regular season and conference tournament titles in 1997 and 1998. As the Redbirds head coach, Stallings averaged 21 wins a season, compiling a 123-63 record.

As an assistant coach, Stallings worked with two of the nation's most well-known and respected mentors - Gene Keady, his college coach at Purdue, and Roy Williams at Kansas.

After helping lead the Boilermakers as a player (1980-82) to three postseason tournament appearances, including a NCAA Final Four appearance in 1980,



Stallings served as an assistant coach under Keady from 1983-88. On Keady's staff, Stallings helped direct Purdue to six NCAA Tournament appearances and

three Big Ten championships while tallying a 140-44 overall record.

"More than anything, I think what Gene Keady taught me was that good teams have good players and great teams have great teammates," Stallings said. "I think his greatest strength was his ability to get a team to achieve as close to its potential as possible on a very consistent basis. That's because of his ability to motivate people to be a willing part of what he called 'being a company man.' I believe in that and I believe in him. It's obvious that he was brilliant in that way."

Stallings left Purdue to join Williams' coaching staff at Kansas in 1989. Over the next five seasons, the Jayhawks made four NCAA Tournament appearances, enjoyed two trips to the Final Four, finished as the 1991 national runner-up and accumulated a 132-38 mark during Stallings' stay.

"The thorough nature in which Roy Williams approaches his job was the biggest aspect I took from my time at Kansas. Roy is very detailed, very organized and very meticulous. Not only is he a great coach and great recruiter, but he runs his program with precision and with great organization."

A 1978 graduate of Collinsville High School outside of St. Louis, Stallings played under the legendary Vergil Fletcher, who was inducted into the National High School Athletic Coaches Association Hall of Fame during the summer of 2004.

Stallings earned his undergraduate degree in business management and marketing at Purdue in 1982 before receiving a Master's degree in Counseling from Purdue in 1985.

Stallings and his wife Lisa have three children: Jacob (21), Alexa (17) and Jordyn (11).

STALLINGS' CAREER AT A GLANCE

7

NCAA appearances as a head coach

2

Sweet 16 appearances

3

Number of SEC Players of the Year in his 12-year tenure at Vanderbilt

10

20-win seasons in 17 years as a head coach, six in his 12 years at Vanderbilt

359

Total victories as a head coach

236

Victories as Vanderbilt head coach, second-most in program history

37

Number of SEC All-Academic team members he has coached at Vanderbilt.



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Basketball Staff



DAVID CASON

1st Season
Illinois State, 1995

David Cason joined the Vanderbilt staff in April of 2011 after a six-year stint on the University of Tulsa basketball staff.

Vanderbilt head coach Kevin Stallings and Cason are very familiar with each other - Cason was a guard on Stallings' Illinois State teams from 1993-95, where he led the Missouri Valley Conference in assists both seasons and also guided his team to a 20-13 record and an NIT appearance as a senior. In his senior season, Cason was named the Team MVP and the Redbirds' Athlete of the Year, and also established the school's single-game assists record with 16 in his senior campaign. He is still the Redbirds' all-time leader in career assists per game with 6.0.

Cason also played one season at Illinois State with current basketball staff member Dan Muller.

Cason spent the last six seasons at the University of Tulsa on head coach Doug Wojcik's staff, including the last three as the associate head coach. In his six years at Tulsa, the Golden Hurricane posted an overall 123-78 record, advanced to the Conference USA Championship Game twice, won the inaugural post-season College Basketball Invitational (CBI) Championship in 2008 and made

appearances in the 2009 and 2010 NIT post-season tournaments. During his tenure, the Hurricane posted four straight 20-win seasons (2007-10) and won 25 games in 2008 and 2009.

Prior to his arrival at Tulsa, he spent two seasons on the TCU coaching staff, and helped the Horned Frogs reach the postseason (NIT) in the 2004-05 campaign.

From 2001-03, Cason served as the Director of Basketball Operations at the University of North Carolina. Prior to his time at North Carolina, he spent one season at Notre Dame and helped the Fighting Irish post a 22-15 record and earn a berth in the NIT Championship game.

Cason earned his bachelor's degree in recreation management from Illinois State. He and his wife, Tamara, have three children: daughters Da-Via and Taylor, and one son, DJ.

THE CASON FILE

Born

August 12, 1972

High School

Southern H.S. (Md.)

College

Bachelor's Degree:

Recreation Management, Illinois State, '95

Family

Wife, Tamara; Daughters, Da-Via, Taylor; Son, DJ

Prior Basketball Career

College of Idaho, Player (1991-93)

Illinois State, Player (1993-95)

Notre Dame, Staff (2000-01)

North Carolina, Staff (2001-03)

TCU, Staff (2004-05)

Tulsa, Staff (2005-11)

Vanderbilt, Staff (2011-present)



BRAD FREDERICK

13th Season
North Carolina, 1999

Brad Frederick is in his 13th campaign at Vanderbilt after joining Kevin Stallings' first Commodore coaching staff in 2000. Frederick's responsibilities with the Commodores include recruiting, scheduling, and scouting.

Frederick played three seasons as a reserve forward at North Carolina, including the final season of legendary coach Dean Smith's career and the two-year coaching tenure of Bill Guthridge.

"That's one reason I went to North Carolina," Frederick said. "I wanted to learn from Coach Smith. Besides teaching me numerous things on the basketball court, he also showed me how to run a program."

As a Tar Heel, Frederick was part of two Final Four teams and two ACC Championship teams. He was the recipient of the team's Rick Sharp Award,

THE FREDERICK FILE

Born

November 19, 1976

High School

Lawrence H.S. (Kansas)

College

Bachelor's Degree:

History & Political Science, North Carolina, '99

Master's Degree:

Education, Illinois, '05

Family

Wife, Jocelyn; Son, Benjamin Robert, Daughter, Carson Avery

Prior Basketball Career

North Carolina, Player (1997-99)

Vanderbilt, Staff (2000-Present)

which goes to the player who contributes the most behind the scenes. As a senior at UNC, Frederick also served as an assistant coach for the North Carolina junior varsity program under former Tar Heel great Phil Ford.

Frederick won the Athletic Director's Scholar-Athlete award twice during his junior and senior year and graduated with honors in political science and history.

Frederick, 35, is married to Jocelyn Isenburg of Longmeadow, Mass. They are the proud parents of Benjamin Robert Frederick (3), and Carson Avery (1).



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DAN MULLER
12th Season
Illinois State, 1998

Dan Muller is in his 12th season as a member of the Vanderbilt basketball program. Muller serves as the team's recruiting coordinator and is involved in all aspects of the program.

Muller has headed the staff's recruiting efforts for the last six years and the results have been fruitful for the Commodore basketball program. Vanderbilt has advanced to four NCAA Tournaments in the last five years, and in the last six years while he has been recruiting coordinator, VU has set a record for wins on the court and maintained a top 10 APR and graduation rate off of it.

The Lafayette, Ind., native also played a pivotal role in the recruitment of Festus Ezeli, John Jenkins, and Jeffery Taylor, all projected first round picks in the NBA. Ezeli, who had never played organized basketball before his arrival at Vanderbilt, has blossomed into one of the nation's top big men under Muller's tutelage.

Muller has not only had success as coach working alongside head coach Kevin Stallings, but he also had a key role as a player on Stallings' very successful Illinois State teams from 1995-98. Muller helped the Redbirds to two regular season and Missouri Valley Conference

Tournament championships and four postseason appearances, including trips to the NCAA Tournament in his final two seasons.

Ranked eighth in career scoring, Muller posted career marks in four categories, while helping ISU to a 91-36 record during his stay. He also was a three-time member of the MVC All-Defense Team and was named the MVP of the MVC Tournament as a senior.

Off the court, Muller was just as successful. He was a two-time GTE Academic All-American and was a recipient of the NCAA's Post-Graduate Scholarship. He also was named a Bone Scholar, the highest academic honor at ISU.

After his collegiate playing career was over, Muller spent two years playing professionally in Argentina, Vancouver and Belgium.

In 2003, Muller earned his MBA from the University of Florida. He and his wife, Melissa, have one step-son, Sib.

THE MULLER FILE

Born

February 21, 1976

High School

Central Catholic (Indiana)

College

Bachelor's Degree:

Business Management, Illinois State, '98

Master's Degree:

Business Administration, Florida, '03

Family

Wife, Melissa; Step-Son, Sib

Prior Basketball Career

Illinois State, Player (1995-98)

Team La Rioja Andino (Argentina), Player (1999)

Vancouver Grizzlies, Player (1999)

Siemens Ghent (Belgium), Player (2000)

Vanderbilt, Staff (2001-Present)



TOM RICHARDSON
9th Season
St. Xavier (Ill.), 1977

Tom Richardson enters his ninth season at Vanderbilt after joining the men's basketball program prior to the 2003-04 season.

A trusted friend and talented instructor, Richardson came to Vanderbilt after serving four years as head coach at Illinois State.

He succeeded Stallings as the Redbird head coach after the two had combined to lead Illinois State to a 123-63 record in six years.

During that tenure, regarded by many as the most successful in school history, the Redbirds won two Missouri Conference championships, made two trips to the NCAA Tournament and had two berths in the NIT. He also had the opportunity to coach Dan Muller, who is currently on the Vanderbilt staff.

In his four years as head coach, Richardson directed Illinois State to a 56-64 record with two second-place finishes in the Missouri Valley and one trip to the NIT.

Richardson gained a reputation as an excellent shooting instructor and the Illinois State field goal and free throw percentages during his tenure are proof of that ability. He was responsible for three of the top four free throw percentage seasons and three of the top five field goal percentage seasons in Illinois State history.

THE RICHARDSON FILE

Born

August 3, 1954

High School

Marist (Ill.)

College

Bachelor's Degree:

Social Sciences, St. Xavier (Ill.), '77

Master's Degree:

Physical Education, Chicago State, '86

Family

Wife, Nancy; Daughters, Mary Beth and Katie; Son, Matthew

Prior Basketball Career

St. Xavier (Ill.), Player (1974-77)

Marist HS (Ill.), Staff (1977-79)

Nazareth HS (Ill.), Head Coach (1980-93)

Illinois State, Staff (1993-99)

Illinois State, Head Coach (1999-2002)

Vanderbilt, Staff (2003-present)

His 2002-03 squad led the nation, shooting 44 percent from behind the 3-point line.

Prior to going to Illinois State, Richardson compiled a 193-146 record at Nazareth Academy High School in LaGrange, Ill., a Chicago suburb. He began the boys basketball program there and in his last 10 years had a 182-84 mark with three conference championships.

Richardson graduated from St. Xavier (Ill.) in 1977 and was a two-time basketball team captain. He was inducted into the school's athletics hall of fame in 1991. He received his master's from Chicago State in 1986.

He and his wife, Nancy, have three children; Mary Beth, Katie, and Matthew.



SUPPORT STAFF



BROCK WILLIAMS
*Director/
Sport Operations*

A 30-year veteran at Vanderbilt University, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Athletics and Recreation Brock Williams is in his seventh year as Director of Sport Operations for men's basketball.

Williams' sports duties include day-to-day operations, budget control, department staffing and alumni relations. He also oversees Vanderbilt's student recreation center and its support of 38 intramural sports programs, as well

as serves as a liaison with the cheerleading squad and Spirit of Gold pep band.

Previously, Williams worked many years as Associate Dean of Residential and Judicial Affairs at Vanderbilt.

A 1979 graduate of North Carolina, Williams earned his master's degree from Vanderbilt in 1984.

Williams and his wife Andrea, have three children: Corbin (19), Carolina Grace (16) and Christian (13).



MOLLY BLATT
*Administrative
Assistant*

Molly Blatt is in her first season as the administrative assistant for head coach Kevin Stallings and the men's basketball team.

Blatt organizes the Commodores' banquet, works with Vanderbilt's basketball alumni group - the Rebounders - and performs the bookkeeping duties associated with the summer basketball camps.

In 2008, Blatt spent a season with the Arizona State baseball team, where

she worked closely with all aspects of the baseball program, specifically event planning, community appearances, camp promotion, marketing and other business operations.

Prior to arriving at Vanderbilt, Blatt obtained her MBA from The Citadel Graduate College in Charleston, SC. Blatt received her undergraduate degree and graduated cum laude from South Carolina in the Spring of 2007 and was a four-year member of the University of South Carolina dance team.



DAN CAGE
*Asst. Director/
Operations*

Dan Cage is entering his second season as the assistant director of basketball operations with Vanderbilt basketball.

Cage is no stranger to the Commodore program, however. He earned four letters from 2003-07 and helped lead VU to two Sweet 16 appearances in 2004 and 2007. Cage played in 125 games in his four-year career, started 32, and in his senior season averaged 11.2 ppg.

Cage played in Europe for four seasons after graduating with an undergraduate degree in economics in May of 2007. He played in Germany (TBB-Trier) in 2007-08, France (JSF Nanterre) and Spain (Caceres) in 2008-09 and 2009-10 (CB Canarias).

Dan married his long time girlfriend from Indianapolis, Ind., Anna Pizzi in August of 2009. The couple resides in Nashville.



NEAL CLARK
*Academic
Counselor*

After arriving at Vanderbilt in February 2005, Neal Clark now serves as a Senior Academic Counselor for Student Athletics. Neal is entering his sixth full season as the academic counselor for the Commodore men's basketball team. In addition to basketball, he also works with the women's

bowling team.

Clark returned to Vanderbilt after spending one season at the University of Minnesota in 2009 working with their men's and women's basketball team.

Prior to joining Vanderbilt, Clark had worked in a similar role with the football squad at the University of Kentucky, assisting as a liaison between the university's central advising service and the athletic department. Clark also served as the Assistant Director of Student-Athlete Services for football at James Madison University from June 2002 to July 2003.

Clark earned both his bachelor's degree (1992) and master's degree (2002) in Social Work from Kentucky. He worked two years with the athletic department's Community Outreach Program from 1999-2000 before serving as an Academic Graduate Assistant from 2000-2002. Clark has been accepted into the Education Leadership and Professional Practice Doctorate Program at Traveca University and will begin to take classes in the summer of 2012. Clark is a proud father of Corrine Renee Clark who was born June 10, 2011.



SHANNON GORDON
*Athletic
Trainer*

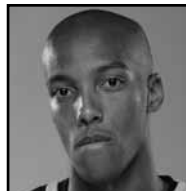
Shannon Gordon is in his fifth season as the athletic trainer for Commodore men's basketball and sixth at Vanderbilt. He worked with the nationally ranked VU baseball team in 2006-07.

Gordon came to Nashville after working as an athletic trainer at Ohio University. He worked closely with the men's basketball team as well as the football and women's soccer squads.

This is his second stint in Nashville as he served as outreach coordinator for high school athletic training programs through Columbia Sports Medicine from 1994-99. He also worked with the Nashville Kats from 1997-99.

Gordon has a bachelor's degree in physical education with an emphasis on athletic training from Indiana State in 1992. He earned his master's degree in kinesiology/athletic training from Indiana and is currently pursuing his PhD.

He is married to the former Kara Durham.



CHRIS MERIWETHER
*Graduate
Manager*

Chris Meriwether enters his first season as a graduate manager for the Commodores. Meriwether was a three-year letterwinner for the Commodores from 2008-2011.

Meriwether will help the team at practices, video analysis, and game preparation.

Meriwether is currently pursuing his degree at the Owen School of Business and Management.



CURTIS TURNER
*Strength and
Conditioning*

Curtis Turner enters his ninth season as a Commodore strength and conditioning coach, and his second working with the men's basketball program.

Turner, a native of Blairsville, Ga., serves as

a strength assistant to football staff and coordinates workouts for several other Vanderbilt varsity teams, including golf and tennis.

Turner, 31, joined Vanderbilt after working three years with the Clemson athletic strength staff. After starting at Clemson as an undergraduate, Turner moved into a full-time role at Vanderbilt after earning a bachelor's degree in secondary education.

While he assisted with the Clemson football team, Turner also guided the training programs for other Tiger sports, including golf and rowing.