

COUGARS

COACHING AND SUPPORT STAFF





Tony Bennett

Head Coach
Second Season
Wisconsin-Green Bay, 1992

After one of the greatest head coaching debuts in college basketball history, Tony Bennett enters his second season at the helm for Washington State University in 2007-08. In his inaugural season as head coach after taking the reigns from his father, Dick Bennett, Bennett tied the school record for wins in a season as his team posted a 26-8 record and made its first NCAA Tournament appearance since 1994.

After spending one year as an assistant and another two as an associate head coach under his father at WSU, Bennett became the 16th man in school history to lead the program following the 2005-06 season. At age 38, the Green Bay, Wis., native ranks among the youngest head coaches in Division I college basketball, but carries eight years of Division I coaching experience, including four years as an assistant at Wisconsin and three years as an assistant coach and associate head coach at Washington State.

Celebrated as a tremendous recruiter, motivator, teacher and mentor, Bennett knows what it's like to be successful. In college, Bennett earned numerous accolades as a point guard at Wisconsin-Green Bay. As one of the top collegiate players, Bennett was chosen to participate in the 1991 Pan American Games, in which Team USA took home the Bronze medal. He followed up his collegiate career as the 35th overall pick in the 1992 NBA Draft which led to a three-year career with the Charlotte Hornets. Following a playing and coaching career in New Zealand, Bennett returned to his home state to serve as an assistant at the University of Wisconsin alongside his father. In 2003-04, Bennett followed his father to the Palouse as an assistant coach and was later promoted to associate head coach.

Bennett helped put WSU basketball back on the map in 2006-07. Chosen to finish last in the Pacific-10 Conference prior to the season, the Cougars surprised everyone, placing second in the league



Tony Bennett addresses the media at the 2007 NCAA Tournament.

with a 13-5 mark. WSU's second-place finish equaled its best in Pac-10 history, matching the finish by the 1982-83 squad. Washington State's 26 overall victories matched the most in school history, equaling the wins of the NCAA runner-up 1940-41 team.

In Bennett's first season the Cougars reached the NCAA Tournament for just the fifth time in school history and the first time since 1994. WSU also posted its first NCAA Tournament win since 1983, defeating Oral Roberts, 70-54, March 15 in Sacramento, Calif. Washington State fell to Vanderbilt, 78-74 in double-overtime in the second round of the tournament, March 17.

Under Bennett, WSU finished in the top 25 in both the *Associated Press* and *ESPN/USA Today* polls, finishing 13th in the AP Poll and 17th in the *ESPN/USA Today* poll. The Cougars began receiving votes after upsetting then-No. 18 Gonzaga, 77-67, Dec. 5 and jumped into the rankings at No. 22, Jan. 8, marking its first appearance in the poll

since Feb. 1983.

For his turnaround season, Bennett became the most decorated Pac-10 coach in a single season, taking home national coach of the year accolades from The Naismith, *Associated Press*, *The Sporting News*, United States Basketball Writers Association, *Basketball Times*, CBS/Chevrolet, Collegehoops.net, Collegeinsider.com (Jim Phelan Award) and Rivals.com. He also became the first WSU coach to be named Pacific-10 Conference Coach of the Year by the league since 1991 and picked up United States Basketball Writers Association District 9, National Association of Basketball Coaches District 14 and Collegeinsider.com Pacific-10 coach of the year honors.

The season of WSU milestones continued as two of Bennett's key recruits from his first year as an assistant coach, Derrick Low and Kyle Weaver, received All-Pacific-10 Conference and National Association of Basketball Coaches District 14 First Team accolades,



Tony Bennett (front right) was a member of the USA bronze medal-winning 1991 Pan-American Games team.

making them the first WSU duo to earn all-conference honors since 1995-96. Low added United States Basketball Writers Association District 9 first team honors, while Weaver was named MVP of the Pac-10 by Collegeinsider.com. Under Bennett's guidance, redshirt-sophomore Daven Harmeling became just the second Cougar to receive Pac-10 Player of the Week accolades twice (Jan. 29-Feb. 4, Dec. 4-10) after his performances against No. 20 Arizona (Feb. 1) and No. 18 Gonzaga (Dec. 5).

Low and Weaver capped off their solid seasons by being selected to represent the United States at the 2007 Pan American Games in Brazil, in which Team USA finished fifth. Two other Bennett recruits represented their countries in international play as Aron Baynes played for Australia and Thomas Abercrombie suited up for New Zealand in the 2007 World University Games.

Also in 2006-07, Bennett guided his young Cougar squad to wins over five ranked opponents including No. 18 Gonzaga (Dec. 5), No. 7 Arizona (Jan. 6), No. 20 Arizona (Feb. 1), No. 25 Stanford (Feb. 8) and No. 23 USC (March 3). The five wins over ranked opponents matched the most in school history, equaling the 1994-95 team.

Noted as a players' coach, Bennett puts an emphasis on working hard both on the court and in the classroom. In 2006-07 his influence was prevalent as sophomore Baynes, junior Robbie Cowgill and redshirt-sophomore Harmeling were each named to the Pacific-10 All-Academic First Team. The selections marked the first time in school history three student-athletes received the accolades in the same season.

In his previous three seasons, Bennett served as an integral part of a staff that saw the Cougars post several historic victories, set or tie a pair of school records and lead the Pac-10 in scoring defense twice.

In Bennett's first season on the Palouse, the Cougars broke 12 losing streaks and captured their first road sweep of UCLA and USC in WSU history. The following season the Crimson and Gray took down No. 11 Arizona in Tucson to break a 38-game losing streak against the Wildcats and halt a 48-game skid overall against top 25 teams. Then, a win over Stanford in March of 2005 marked the first home-and-home sweep of the Cardinal since 1992-93. The 2005-06 campaign brought two wins over a nationally ranked Washington squad recording the Cougars first home-and-home sweep of the Huskies since 1994. The win at Friel Court marked the first win over a ranked opponent since No. 25 California in 1997.



THE TONY BENNETT FILE

- In 2006-07, became the most decorated Pacific-10 coach in a single season.
- Became the first head coach at a current Pacific-10 institution to start 7-0 in his inaugural campaign at a school since 1951-52.
- The Cougars' 26 wins in 2006-07 tied for the most in school history.
- During his first season at the helm, the Cougars received their first national ranking (No. 22, Jan. 8) since Feb. 1983.
- For the first time since 1995-96, Washington State placed two student-athletes on the All-Pacific-10 Conference team.
- Has appeared in five NCAA Tournaments as a head and assistant coach.
- Served as an assistant coach/associate head coach under his father Dick Bennett for a season at Wisconsin (1999-00) and three seasons at Washington State (2003-06).

Education: Wisconsin-Green Bay, 1992

Playing Experience:

1988-92 Wisconsin-Green Bay
 1992-95 Charlotte Hornets (NBA)
 1996-98 North Harbor Kings (New Zealand)

Coaching Experience:

1997 North Harbor Kings (New Zealand) – Player/Coach
 1998-99 North Harbor Kings (New Zealand) – Head Coach
 1999-03 Wisconsin – Assistant
 2003-04 Washington State – Assistant
 2004-06 Washington State – Associate Head Coach
 2006-present Washington State – Head Coach

Family:

Wife – Laurel; a daughter, Anna (6) and son, Eli (5)

HEAD COACH TONY BENNETT

Bennett has proven himself to be an excellent recruiter. While at Washington State he has recruited student-athletes that have earned four Pacific-10 all-conference selections, five spots on conference academic teams and three Pac-10 Player of the Week awards.

Bennett came to Washington State from Wisconsin where he spent four seasons with the Badgers, highlighted by a Final Four appearance in 2000, a run to the Sweet Sixteen in 2003 and a share of Big 10 Conference titles in 2002 and 2003. His responsibilities included recruiting, player development and summer camps.

While at Wisconsin, Bennett played a significant role in recruiting Devin Harris, Kirk Penney, Alando Tucker, and Brian Butch. Harris, the first team All-Big Ten selection and 2004 Big 10 Player of the Year, was the fifth overall pick in the 2004 NBA Draft. He was also a member of the 2006 NBA Western Conference Champion Dallas

Mavericks.

Penney, an Olympian for New Zealand and one of his country's top players, earned first team All-Big 10 accolades in back-to-back seasons (2002-03). Tucker, a 2002 Top 50 recruit was named a first team All-Big Ten performer in 2006 and 2007 and earned Big Ten Player of the Year and was a first team All-American selection following his senior season (2007). Tucker was taken by the Phoenix Suns with the 29th pick in the 2007 NBA Draft. Butch, a 2003 Top 20 recruit, played in the prestigious McDonald's All-American game and was a Big Ten Honorable Mention selection in 2007.

Prior to his years at Wisconsin, Bennett had a four year playing and coaching career in Auckland, New Zealand. He played for the North Harbor Kings from 1996-98. During those years abroad, Bennett was a player in 1996; a player/coach in 1997; and head coach during the 1998 and 1999 seasons.

In 1997, Bennett's team reached the New Zealand country final four. The highlight of his coaching career abroad came in 1998 when the North Harbor Kings finished as the national runner-up, marking the highest place finish in the history of the basketball club.

Bennett offers the WSU program the kind of knowledge that only a former NBA player possesses having played three seasons (1992-95) for the Charlotte Hornets before a foot injury ended his professional career in the U.S.

Prior to being selected by the Hornets with the 35th pick in the 1992 NBA draft, Bennett enjoyed a storied collegiate career at UW-Green Bay where he played for his father, Dick Bennett from 1989-92.

He finished his collegiate career as the Mid-Continent Conference's all-time leader in points (2,285) and assists (601) while he still ranks as the NCAA's all-time leader in 3-point percentage (.497). Bennett led the Phoenix to one NCAA Tournament berth, two appearances



Tony Bennett (far left) received the CBS/Chevrolet National Coach of the Year award, alongside Player of the Year, Kevin Durant (far right) during CBS's NCAA Tournament coverage.

TONY BENNETT YEAR-BY-YEAR

AS A HEAD COACH

Year	School	Overall		Pct.	Conference		Finish	Pac-10 Tournament	NCAA Tournament	AP Poll
		W	L		W	L				
2006-07	WSU	26	8	.765	13	5	2nd	Semifinals	Second Round	13

AS AN ASSISTANT COACH/ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH

Year	School	Overall		Pct.	Conference		Finish	Conference Tournament	NCAA Tournament	AP	Head Coach
		W	L		W	L					
1999-00	Wisconsin	22	14	.611	8	8	6th	Semifinals	Final Four	--	Dick Bennett
2000-01	Wisconsin	18	11	.621	9	7	5th	Quarterfinals	First Round	25	Brad Soderberg
2001-02	Wisconsin	19	13	.594	11	5	t-1st	Quarterfinals	Second Round	--	Bo Ryan
2002-03	Wisconsin	24	8	.750	12	4	1st	Quarterfinals	Regional Final	21	Bo Ryan
2003-04	WSU	13	16	.448	7	11	t-7th	First Round	--	--	Dick Bennett
2004-05	WSU*	12	16	.429	7	11	t-6th	First Round	--	--	Dick Bennett
2005-06	WSU*	11	17	.393	4	14	10th	First Round	--	--	Dick Bennett
Totals	7 Seasons	119	95	.556	58	60					

**Indicates years as associate head coach*

in the NIT and most notably helped UW-Green Bay to a 87-34 (.719) winning percentage during his collegiate playing career.

A two-time MCC Player of the Year, Bennett won the Frances Pomeroy Naismith Award given to the nation's most outstanding senior under six-feet tall. He was also the 1992 GTE Academic All-American of the Year. Bennett started for Purdue's Gene Keady on the USA bronze medal-winning 1991 Pan-American Games team.

As a high school senior at Green Bay Preble High School in 1988, Bennett was named first team All-State for the second consecutive year and won the coveted honor of Wisconsin's Mr. Basketball.

Tony and his wife, Laurel, have two children, Anna (6) and Eli (5).



BENNETT'S NATIONAL COACH OF THE YEAR HONORS IN 2006-07

- The Naismith
- Associated Press
- The Sporting News
- United States Basketball Writers Association
- Basketball Times
- CBS/Chevrolet
- Collegehoops.net
- Collegeinsider.com (Jim Phelan Award)
- Rivals.com

BENNETT'S PACIFIC-10/REGIONAL COACH OF THE YEAR HONORS IN 2006-07

- Pacific-10 Conference
- United States Basketball Writers Association District 9
- National Association of Basketball Coaches District 14
- Collegeinsider.com Pacific-10

BENNETT'S CAREER PLAYING STATISTICS

WITH THE CHARLOTTE HORNETS

Season	G-GS	MIN.	FGM-FGA	FG%	3-POINT		FTM-FTA	REBOUNDS		TOT/AVG.	AST	STL	BLK	TO	PF	PTS/AVG.
					FGM-FGA	FG%		OFF	DEF							
1992-93	75-2	857	110-260	.423	26-80		30-41	12	51	63/0.8	136	30	0	50	110	276/3.7
1993-94	74-5	983	105-263	.399	27-75		11-15	16	74	90/1.2	163	39	1	40	84	248/3.4
1994-95	3-0	46	6-13	.462	2-9		0-0	0	2	2/0.7	4	0	0	3	6	14/4.7
TOTAL	152-7	1886	221-536	.412	55-164		41-56	28	127	155/1.0	303	69	1	93	200	538/3.5

AT WISCONSIN-GREEN BAY

Season	G	MIN.	FGM-FGA	FG%	3-POINT		FTM-FTA	FT%	REB.	AST	STL	BLK	TO	PF	MP	TRB	AST	PTS/AVG
					FGM-FGA	FG%												
1988-89	27	930	179-343	.521	47-107	.439	111-131	.847	54	138	49	1	62	72	34	2.0	5.1	516/19.1
1989-90	30	994	179-355	.504	68-141	.482	73-85	.859	66	153	38	2	73	86	33	2.2	5.1	499/16.1
1990-91	31	1118	229-419	.547	80-150	.533	127-152	.836	73	154	38	2	65	82	36	2.4	5.0	665/21.5
1991-92	30	995	205-384	.533	95-186	.510	100-121	.826	86	154	36	7	77	49	33	2.9	5.1	605/20.2
TOTAL	118	4037	792-1501	.528	290-584	.497	411-489	.840	279	599	161	12	277	289	34	2.4	5.1	2285/19.4



Mike Heideman

Director of Player Development/Operations
Fifth Season
Wisconsin-La Crosse, 1971

Mike Heideman is in his fifth season at Washington State and second as the director of player development and operations. Heideman came to WSU with former head coach Dick Bennett, whom he was an assistant to at Wisconsin-Green Bay, 1986-95.

At Washington State, Heideman's duties include serving as the academic liaison and organizing community events, as well as day-to-day and game day coaching duties.

During his time as an assistant at UWGB, Heideman coordinated all recruiting efforts and played an integral role in UWGB capturing the Mid-Continent Conference regular season title in 1992 and 1994. During that era, Heideman helped guide the Phoenix to Mid-Continent Tournament championships and NCAA Tournament automatic berths in 1991 and 1994. He also helped lead UWGB to a Midwestern Collegiate Conference Tournament title and an NCAA Tournament appearance in 1995.

Following the 1994-95 season, Heideman succeeded Bennett as the head coach of the Phoenix and found immediate success.

He led UWGB to the Midwestern Collegiate Conference regular season championship and a berth in the NCAA Tournament during his first season (1995-96). His team was ranked as high as 22nd by the *Associated Press* and 23rd in the *USA Today/CNN Coaches* poll.

Heideman's efforts earned him the Midwestern Collegiate Conference Coach of the Year in 1996. He was also selected as the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) District 11 Coach of the Year and Wisconsin Collegiate Coach of the Year in 1996.

During his seven seasons at UWGB, Heideman compiled a record of 110-95. He spent one season as an assistant at Valparaiso before joining the Cougars' staff in April 2003.

Prior to UWGB, Heideman was the head men's basketball coach at St. Norbert College (1982-86), an NCAA Division III school in DePere, Wis. He was selected NABC Division III Midwest Region Coach of the Year in 1984 and received the Contribution to Basketball Award for the State of Wisconsin in 1986. His 66-25 mark at St. Norbert's give him a career record of 176-120 in 11 seasons as a collegiate head coach.

In addition to his collegiate background, Heideman owns high school coaching experience at Xavier in Appleton, Wis., and Augusta (Wis.). In 11 seasons, Heideman compiled a prep record of 158-52.

He earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in physical education from Wisconsin-LaCrosse.

THE MIKE HEIDEMAN FILE

- Selected Midwestern Collegiate Conference Coach of the Year in 1996 as head coach at Wisconsin-Green Bay.
- Owns collegiate career head coaching record of 176-120 (11 years)
- Served as an assistant on former WSU head coach, Dick Bennett's UWGB staff
- Coached current Cougar head coach, Tony Bennett, and assistant coach, Ben Johnson.

Education: Wisconsin-La Crosse, 1971; Wisconsin-La Crosse, 1979 (Master's)

Coaching Experience:

1982-86	Norbert College – Head Coach
1986-95	Wisconsin-Green Bay – Assistant
1995-02	Wisconsin-Green Bay – Head Coach
2002-03	Valparaiso – Assistant
2003-06	Washington State – Assistant
2006-present	Washington State – Player Development/ Operations

Family:

Wife – Sally; two sons, David and Timothy





Ben Johnson

Assistant Coach
Fourth Season
Wisconsin-Green Bay, 1992

Ben Johnson enters his fourth season as an assistant coach, recruiter and on the floor coach at Washington State University. Long before joining the program in April 2004, Johnson had a history of shared basketball philosophy with the Cougar coaching staff.

Johnson was a teammate of current WSU Head Coach Tony Bennett at Wisconsin-Green Bay for four seasons (1989-92). While at UW-Green Bay, Johnson, a two-year captain, helped lead the Phoenix to one NCAA Tournament and two NIT appearances. During his collegiate career, Johnson was coached by former Washington State University Head Coach Dick Bennett.

After graduating from UW-Green Bay in 1992 with a degree in business communication, Johnson played three years of professional basketball (1993-95) in Cairns, Australia. While overseas, he began his coaching career, working as a basketball youth development officer and state clinician. During those years, he coached and developed hundreds of Australian players at the local, junior and state representative levels.

From 1995-2002, Johnson returned to UW-Green Bay, where he served as an assistant coach under current WSU Director of Player Development/Operations, Mike Heideman. In 1996, he helped guide UW-Green Bay to an appearance in the NCAA Tournament.

In 2002, Johnson made his return to Australia, where he was the head coach for the Kuyam Pride U23 Men. The following year (2003), Johnson served as head coach for both the Kuyam Pride U23 Men and the Kuyam Pride Women. The Pride Women competed in the professional Australian Basketball League. Following the 2003 season, Johnson was named Queensland Australian Basketball League Women's Coach of the Year.

Johnson, a native of Stevens Point, Wis., is married to Nicky, a former WNBL player in Townsville, Australia.

THE BEN JOHNSON FILE

- Named the 2003 Queensland Australian Basketball League Women's Coach of the Year.
- Played alongside current WSU head coach, Tony Bennett and under former coach Dick Bennett at UWGB.

Education: Wisconsin-Green Bay (business communication), 1992

Playing Experience:

1989-92	UW-Green Bay
1993-95	Cairns Marlins (Australian Basketball Association)
2002-03	Kuyam Pride (Australian Basketball Association)

Coaching Experience:

1993-95	Youth Development Officer and State Clinician
1995-02	UW-Green Bay – Assistant
2002-03	Australian Basketball Association – professional
	- Kuyam Pride U23 Men – Head Coach
	- Kuyam Pride Women – Head Coach (2003)
2004-present	Washington State University – Assistant

Family:

Wife – Nicky





Ron Sanchez

Assistant Coach
Fifth Season
SUNY-College at Oneonta, 1997

Ron Sanchez enters his fifth season on the Cougar staff and his second as an assistant coach, primarily working with recruiting and schedule games. Sanchez spent his first three seasons at Washington State University as the coordinator of basketball operations.

Sanchez has been integral in scheduling and budget management while at Washington State. Last season, the Cougars played four nonconference games against teams that participated in the 2006 NCAA Tournament, marking the first time in school history the Cougars played four games against teams from the previous season's NCAA Tournament prior to conference play. This season WSU faces three nonconference opponents that participated in the postseason last year, including a Cougar Hispanic College Fund Classic lineup featuring 2007 NIT-participants Mississippi Valley State and Air Force.

A graduate of State University of New York, College of Oneonta, Sanchez came to Pullman after spending the 1998-99 season as an assistant coach at Oneonta State and two seasons as a volunteer coach at Indiana.

With the Hoosiers, Sanchez assisted in self and opponent scouting as well as film exchange. He worked closely with the administrative assistant and video coordinator during his time at Indiana, which included the Hoosiers' national runner-up finish in 2002. While at Indiana, he earned his master's degree in athletic administration/sports management.

Prior to Indiana, Sanchez was an associate head coach at Delhi College in New York from 1999-2001. In 2001, Delhi posted a 31-2 record, captured the Region III championship and placed fourth at the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Championship.

A native of San Pedro de Macoris, Dominican Republic, Sanchez was named the State University of New York Athletic Conference Player of the Year in 1996. He also earned the Eastern College Athletic Conference Championship Most Valuable Player award in 1996.

Sanchez is married to Tara, a former women's basketball assistant coach at Washington State University.

THE RON SANCHEZ FILE

- Was an integral part in scheduling WSU's four nonconference games against 2006 NCAA Tournament participants in 2006-07.
- Served as a volunteer coach at Indiana when Hoosiers finished as national runner-up to Maryland in 2002.
- Named State University of New York Athletic Conference Men's Basketball Player of the Year in 1996.
- Earned Eastern College Athletic Conference Championship Most Valuable Player at SUNY-College of Oneonta in 1996.

Education: State University of New York, College of Oneonta, 1997; Indiana, 2002 (Master's)

Playing Experience:

1993-95 SUNY-College of Oneonta

Coaching Experience:

1996-99 SUNY-College of Oneonta – Assistant
1999-01 Delhi College – Associate Head Coach
2001-03 Indiana – Volunteer Assistant
2003-06 Washington State – Director of Basketball Operations
2006-present Washington State – Assistant

Family:

Wife – Tara





Matt Woodley

Assistant Coach
Second Season
Drake, 2000

Matt Woodley enters his second season on Washington State's bench as an assistant coach. A highly respected recruiter, Woodley primarily deals with recruiting at WSU, while actively involved in practice and game day coaching.

Woodley joined the Cougar family in 2006-07 with over six years of coaching experience under his belt. A graduate of Drake University, Woodley came to the Palouse after a two-year stint as an assistant coach at Middle Tennessee.

With the Blue Raiders and head coach Kermit Davis, Woodley's responsibilities included recruiting, scouting, scheduling and film exchange, as well as the day-to-day preparation of the team. His strong work ethic was evident on the recruiting trail as he helped land several players within Middle Tennessee's young and talented signing class in 2004.

Prior to Middle Tennessee, the intense and knowledgeable Woodley spent over three years as an assistant coach at Denver. With the Pioneers, the West Des Moines, Iowa, native assisted with all aspects of the team, including recruiting, scouting, scheduling and on-floor practices. Before becoming an assistant at Denver, Woodley spent a year as a graduate assistant at Wayne (Neb.) State, where he served as the recruiting coordinator and assisted in game preparation and scouting.

During his three-year career (1998-2000) as a point guard at Drake, Woodley started every game and ended as the Bulldogs' all-time career leader in steals (198) and second in 3-pointers (188). He twice earned honorable mention honors from the Missouri Valley Conference and was named the team's most valuable player his senior year. Woodley graduated in 2000 with a bachelor's degree in elementary education.

Coaching was a family calling for Woodley, whose father and three brothers are all in the business. His father Mike is the head football coach at Grandview College in Iowa, his brother Joe, who was a senior captain on the Iowa State football team, serves as the defensive coordinator at Grandview College, his brother Brian is the head football coach at Johnston high school in Iowa, while his brother Andy, who was the starting point guard at Northern Iowa, is the head basketball coach at Iowa City College. Woodley is engaged to be married to Monique Dugaw in the summer of 2008.

THE MATT WOODLEY FILE

- Was instrumental in recruiting 2005 Sun Belt Player of the Year Yemi Nicholson and 2005 All-Sun Belt selections Rodney Billups and Antonio Porch at Denver, as team won the league in 2005 and appeared in the NIT.
- Recruited 2007 All-Sun Belt honoree Kevin Kanaskie and 2006 honoree Adam Vogelsberg to Middle Tennessee.
- Started every game of this three-year career at Drake.
- Named team MVP his senior year and twice earned Missouri Valley Conference honorable mention.

Education: Drake, 2000

Playing Experience:

1998-00	Drake
2000-01	Wayne State – Graduate Assistant
2001-03	Denver – Assistant
2004-06	Middle Tennessee – Assistant
2006-present	Washington State University – Assistant

Family:

Fiancee – Monique Dugaw





Ronnie Wideman

Operations Assistant
Second Season
Washington State, 2006

A vital figure in the day-to-day operations of Washington State University men's basketball, Ronnie Wideman enters his second season as the Operations Assistant for the Cougars. In his role, Wideman coordinates team travel, assists in planning summer camps, oversees facility schedule and performs other various administrative duties.

Wideman joined the Washington State staff as the operations assistant prior to the 2006-07 season after four years as a student manager with the program. As a student manager (2002-06), Wideman assisted current Cougar assistant coach Ron Sanchez with the day-to-day operations of the program, while supervising 10 volunteer managers.

He also worked as the film exchange coordinator, assisted with team travel and organized player and coach equipment distribution. In addition, Wideman helped with on-campus recruiting visits and summer basketball camps.

A native of Washougal, Wash., Wideman graduated summa cum laude from Washington State University in May 2006, with a degree in health and fitness education.

2007-08 Student Managers



Front Row (l-r): David Feldhammer, Marlon Stewart, Charlie Hawkins, Mitch Reaves, John Karns. Back Row (l-r): Mike Simson, Tyrel Arras, Ben Cartmell, Neil Stover, Daniel Ray.



Mitch Reaves Head Student-Manager

Mitch Reaves is in his third season with the Cougar men's basketball team. With the help of the nine other Cougar managers, Reaves' duties with WSU include the set up and breakdown of practices, assisting in drills, working with the coaching database "Scoutware," and, along with fellow student-manager Ben Cartmell, is in charge of the team's equipment. In the little free time he has between classes and basketball, the senior from Lacey, Wash., enjoys hanging out with friends, eating and reading. Majoring in sport management with a minor in business administration, Reaves hopes to obtain a men's basketball graduate assistant position following graduation.



Marlon Stewart Head Student-Manager

Marlon Stewart is in his fifth year as a manager for the Washington State University men's basketball team. One of 10 hardworking student-managers, Stewart's duties with the Cougars include handling film exchange and video operations, as well as day-to-day tasks around the office, at practice and during games. A senior from Mercer Island, Wash., Stewart enjoys playing golf, basketball and spending time with his friends. Majoring in sport management with a minor in communication, Stewart hopes to get a job in college basketball following graduation.



Aaron Schlueter Equipment Manager